



### Welcome to St. Francis Church

We are happy to welcome you! Masks are strongly encouraged for all, and required for unvaccinated persons while indoors. We recommend properly fitting medical-type (not cloth) or K/N95 masks. We also recommend that masks be worn while entering and exiting the church, singing, and during the distribution of communion. Please take advantage of our online worship to stay home if you are feeling unwell in any way.

The altar flowers are given by Karin Peterson to the glory of God,  
and in loving memory of her sister Francie.

Celebrant/Preacher: .....The Rev. Jerry Sather

Prelude: *Angel* .....*Alexandra Genova*

Processional Hymn—*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* .....Hymn #410, vv. 1-4

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy  
Praise, him for his grace and favor to his peo- ple  
Fa- ther - like he tends and spares us; well our fee- ble  
An- gels, help us to a- dore him; ye be- hold him  
tri- bute bring; ran- somed, healed, re- stored, for- giv- en, ev- er -  
in dis- tress; praise him still, the same as ev- er, slow to  
frame he knows; in his hand he gen- tly bears us, res- cues  
face to face; sun and moon, bow down be- fore him, dwellers  
more his prais- es sing: Al- le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev- er -  
chide, and swift to bless: Al- le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his  
us from all our foes. Al- le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his  
all in time and space. Al- le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the  
last faith - ing King.  
mer - ful - ness.  
God - cy of flows. grace.

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Ps. 103:1-5  
Music: "St. Thomas (Williams)," melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776); harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

The Opening Acclamation.....Book of Common Prayer, p. 323  
*(this and all similar page refs. refer to Book of Common Prayer—the red book in the pew rack in front of you)*

The Gloria ..... p. 324

The Collect of the Day ..... p. 180

The First Lesson .....Genesis 18:20-32

The Lord said to Abraham, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there, and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there."

Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

The Response: Psalm 138, *Confitebor tibi*..... p. 793

The Second Lesson..... Colossians 2:6-15

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

The Holy Gospel .....Luke 11:1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Give us each day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our sins,  
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.  
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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*The clergy will carry the Sacrament to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward for Holy Communion. Please inform one of the ushers if you would like to be served at your seat.  
Gluten-free Communion wafers are now carried alongside regular wafers at Holy Communion.  
If you require one of these, simply ask at the Altar rail.*

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**Closing Hymn: Sent Forth by God's Blessing** ..... (Ash Grove)

7 Sent forth by God's bless-ing our true faith con-fess-ing, the peo - ple of\_ God from this  
With praise and thanks-giv - ing to God ev - er\_ liv - ing, the tasks of our ev - ery - day

14 dwell-ing take leave. The ser - vice is\_ end - ed, O now be ex - tend - ed the fruits of our\_  
life we will face. Our faith ev - er shar-ing, in love ev - er car - ing, em - brac - ing God's

19 wor - ship in all who be - lieve. The seed of\_ the teach - ing, re -  
chil - dren of each tribe and race. With your grace you feed us, with

24 cep - tive souls reach - ing, shall blos - som in\_ ac - tion for God and for  
your light now lead us; u - nite us\_ as\_ one in this life that we

29 all. God's grace did in - vit love shall u - nite us to  
share. Then may all the\_ liv praise and\_ thanks - giv - ing give

work for\_ God's king - dor an - swer the call.  
hon - or\_ to\_ Christ and name which we bear.

Words by Omar Westendorf, 1964 (Ash Grove) Welsh folk tune

*Postlude: Crown Imperial*..... *William Walton*

# Welcome!

We warmly welcome you if you are here with us for the first time today. We joyfully welcome *all* people into our community – without exception. Whoever you are, and whatever the status of your relationship with God, you will find fellow travelers here.

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