SAINT FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH PALOS VERDES ESTATES CALIFORNIA



# FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

#### Welcome to St. Francis Church

We are happy to welcome you! For your health and safety, we strongly recommend all persons be vaccinated against COVID and influenza. Masks are not required, but encouraged, particularly for unvaccinated and immunocompromised persons.. Please take advantage of our online worship to stay home if you are feeling unwell in any way.

Consider making a donation of altar flowers in honor of a special occasion or in memory of someone you love. The suggested donation is \$50. To arrange, please contact Claire in the Church Office: 310-375-4617, claire.erbeznik@stfrancispalosverdes.org.

Processional Hymn-God of Grace and God of Glory .......Hymn #594, v.v 1-4 ₫. Praise to the Lord, the Al might - y, the King of cre tion! glo - rious - lv things Praise to Lord: eth: the o - ver alľ he reign pros per that Praise to the Lord, who doth thy way and de fend thee; him! all a -Praise to the Lord! O let in me dore thy tion! soul praise him, for he is health and sal my gle-wings, safe - ly eth. borne as on his saints he sus - stain ea good sure - lv his ness and mer - cv shall ev at - tend thee; and breath, be - fore him! that hath life come now with prais - es psal - ter-y, or - gan, and song. sounding in glad ad - o - ra how all thou need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain what the Al - might - y can do, who with his love doth be-friend join the great throng, tion! Hastthou not seen eth? pon-der a-new who with his love doth be-friend thee. a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore Let the him.

Words by Joachim Neander (1650-1680) Music: LOBE DEN HERREN Melody from Erneuerten Gesangbuch, 1665; Hymn #390, The Hymnal 1982

The Opening Acclamation	Book of Common Prayer, p. 323
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The Gloria	p. 324
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The First Lesson	

Hear this, you that trample on the needy, and bring to ruin the poor of the land, saying, "When will the new moon be over so that we may sell grain; and the sabbath, so that we may offer wheat for sale? We will make the ephah small and the shekel great,

and practice deceit with false balances, buying the poor for silver and the needy for a pair of sandals, and selling the sweepings of the wheat." The Lord has sworn by the pride of Jacob: Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For

there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,

Christ Jesus, himself human,

who gave himself a ransom for all

—this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

The Holy Gospel .....Luke 16:1-13 Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, `What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, `A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, `Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

The Sermon The Rev. Jerry Sather
The Nicene Creed
The Prayers of the Peoplep. 328
The Confession of Sin
The Peace
Welcome and Announcements
The Great Thanksgivingp. 333
The Sanctus
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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Blessing and Sending Forth
Closing Hymn: Christ for the World We Sing
God of Grace, and Lo! the hosts of Cure thy child-ren's Save us from weak  God of Grace, and Lo! the hosts of the hosts of Cure thy child-ren's save us from weak  God of Lo! the hosts of
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church - 's sto - ry; bring her bud to glo - rious flow'r. Grant us wis - dom, long have bound us free our hearts to faith and praise; self - ish _ glad - ness, rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, thy sal - va - tion be our glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom,
grant us courage, for the fac - ing of this hour, grant us courage for the liv - ing of these days, grant us courage, lest we miss thy king-dom's goal, grant us courage, serv-ing thee whom we a - dore;  grant us courage, serv-ing thee whom we a - dore;  for the fac-ing of this hour. for the liv-ing of these days. lest we miss thy king-dom's goal. ser-ving thee whom we a - dore.

Words: Harry Emerson Fosdick (1878-1969). Music: "Cum Rhondda," John Hughes (1873-1932)

#### Prayers this Week

We pray for all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Drew Deley, Michael Heredia, Mark Kappelmann, TJ Malzahn, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Jonathan Zimmerman and Steve.

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, Amy Clute, Daniel Drayling, Pauline Duley, Ceri Falk, Sue Ferme, Colette Furbush, Frances Hailwood, Sally Hill, Lesley Jones, Mick Mohuchy, Marjorie Morris, Anne Marie Morris, Greg Morris, Mike Morris, Bruce Schaefer, Patricia Stewart, Celeste Stump and Stephen.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

## 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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