



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.

The flowers on the Altar today are given by Wendy Pratt & Tom Shuart, to the glory of God and in loving memory of Joan H Pratt and Zelma Dennis, Tom's late mother-in-law.

Celebrant/Preacher:The Rev. Jerry Sather

Deacon:The Rev. Celeste Stump

Prelude: *Prelude**Flor Peeters*

Processional Hymn—Praise to the Living GodHymn #372, vv. 1-4

Praise to the liv-ing God! All prais-ed be his Name who was, and is, and Form-less, all love-ly forms de-clare his love-li-ness; ho-ly, no ho-li-His Spi-rit flow-eth free, high surg-ing where it will: in pro-phet's work he E-ter-nal life hath he im-plant-ed in the soul; his love shall be our

is to be, for ay the same. The one e-ter-nal God ere aught that now ap-ness of earth can his ex-press. Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre-a-tion speaks his spoke of old; he speak-eth still. Es-tab-lished is his law, and change-less it shall strength and stay while a-ges roll. Praise to the liv-ing God! All prais-ed be his

pears; the first, the last, be-yond all-thought his time-less years. praise, and ev-ery-where a-bove, be-low, his will o-beys. stand, deep writ up-on the hu-man heart, on-sea, on-land. Name who was, and is, and is-to-be for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish Liturgy. Music: LEONI, Hebrew melody. Hymn #372, The Hymnal 1982

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. 183
 The First Lesson Genesis 32:22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved."

The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

The Response: Psalm 121, *Levavi oculos* p. 779
 The Second Lesson..... 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

The Holy Gospel Luke 18:1-8

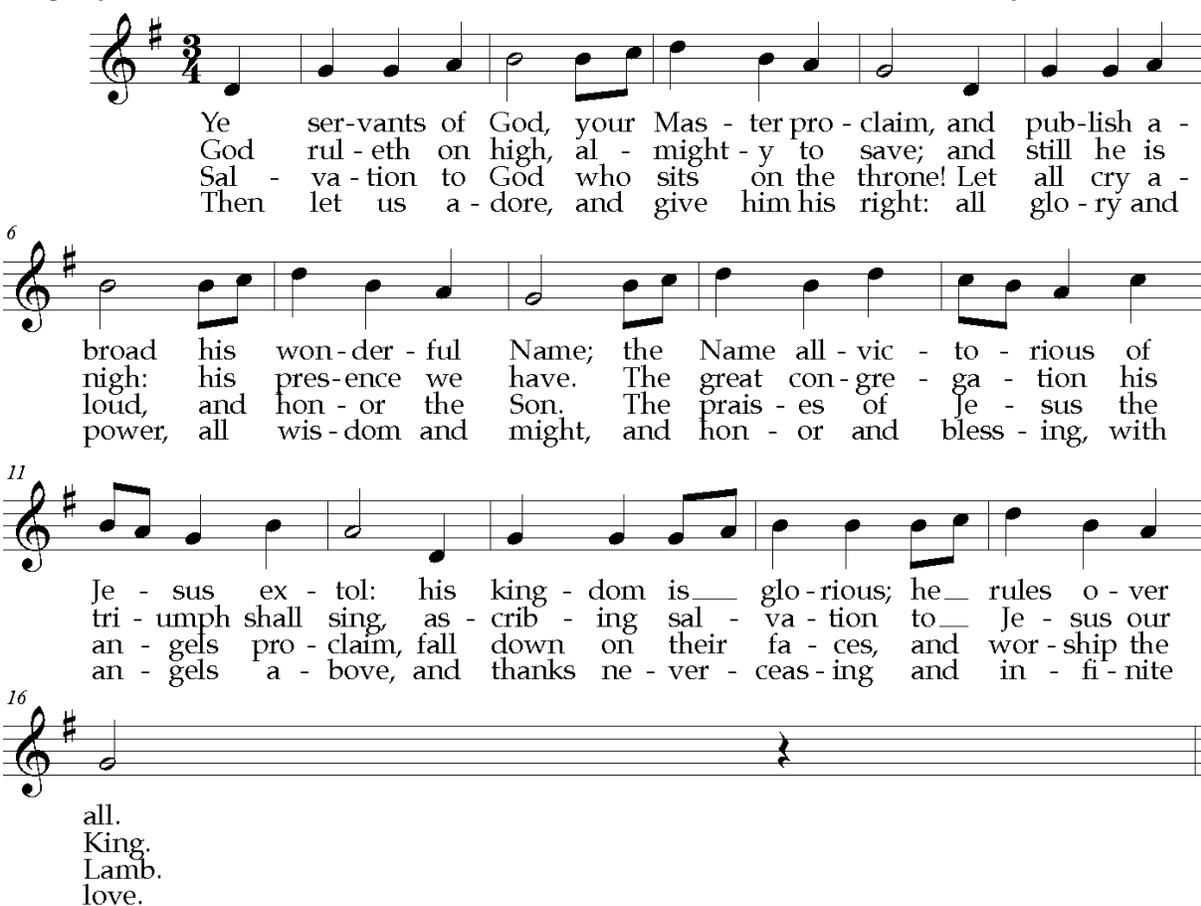
Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

The Sermon The Rev. Jerry Sather

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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.

Post Communion Prayer p. 339
 Blessing and Sending Forth p. 339
 Closing Hymn: Ye Servants of God **Hymn #535, vv. 1-4**



Ye ser-vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim, and pub-lish a -
 God rul - eth on high, al - might - y to save; and still he is
 Sal - va - tion to God who sits on the throne! Let all cry a -
 Then let us a - dore, and give him his right: all glo - ry and
 6
 broad his won - der - ful Name; the Name all - vic - to - rious of
 nigh: his pres - ence we have. The great con - gre - ga - tion his
 loud, and hon - or the Son. The prais - es of Je - sus the
 power, all wis - dom and might, and hon - or and bless - ing, with
 11
 Je - sus ex - tol: his king - dom is glo - rious; he rules o - ver
 tri - umph shall sing, as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our
 an - gels pro - claim, fall down on their fa - ces, and wor - ship the
 an - gels a - bove, and thanks ne - ver - ceas - ing and in - fi - nite
 16
 all.
 King.
 Lamb.
 love.

Charles Wesley (1707-1788). "Paderborn", harm. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)

Postlude: Toccata Flor Peeters



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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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, Colette Furbush, Frances Hailwood, Sally Hill, 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.



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