

Welcome to St. Francis Church

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and in loving memory of Christopher Larrabee, 1974—2001.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES. THANK YOU.

8:00 A.M. - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE I

Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Jason Shelby

Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump

Prelude: "Bogoroditse Dyevo" (Rejoice, Virgin Mother of God) Sergei Rachmaninoff

Processional Hymn—Praise to the Lord, the Almighty Hymn #390, vv. 1-4

Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
Praise to the Lord: o - ver all things he glo - rious - ly reign - eth:
Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy way and de - fend thee;
Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a - dore him!

O my soul praise him, for he is thy health and sal - va - tion!
borne as on ea - gle - wings, safe - ly his saints he sus - tain - eth.
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall ev - er at - tend thee;
All that hath life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!

join the great throng, psal - ter - y, or - gan, and song. sound - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
Hastthou not seen how all thou need - est hath been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do, who with his love doth be - friend thee.
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for ev - er a - dore him.

Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680); tr. "Hymnal 1940, alt. Music: "Lobe den Herren," melody from "Erneuertem Gesangbuch," 1665; harm. "The Chorale Book for England," 1863; desc. Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971).

The Opening Acclamation.....Book of Common Prayer, p. 323
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Summary of the Lawp. 324
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The First LessonGenesis 50:15-21

Realizing that their father was dead, Joseph's brothers said, "What if Joseph still bears a grudge against us and pays us back in full for all the wrong that we did to him?" So they approached Joseph, saying, "Your father gave this instruction before he died, 'Say to Joseph: I beg you, forgive the crime of your brothers and the wrong they did in harming you.' Now therefore please forgive the crime of the servants of the God of your father." Joseph wept when they spoke to him. Then his brothers also wept, fell down before him, and said, "We are here as your slaves." But Joseph said to them, "Do not be afraid! Am I in the place of God? Even though you intended to do harm to me, God intended it for good, in order to preserve a numerous people, as he is doing today. So have no fear; I myself will provide for you and your little ones." In this way he reassured them, speaking kindly to them.

The Response: Psalm 103:(1-7), 8-13..... p. 733

The Epistle..... Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

The Holy GospelMatthew 18:21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger

his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.”

The Sermon..... The Rev. Jason Shelby
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 Welcome and Announcements

Anyone who has a birthday or anniversary in the next week is invited to come forward for a blessing:
 Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving p. 333
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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 Recessional Hymn – Come Down, O Love Divine Hymn #516, vv. 1-3

Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of
 O let it free - ly burn, til earth - ly pas - sions
 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will
 mine, and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 turn to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 long, shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;
 O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear, and
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight, and
 for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place where -
 kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

Words: Bianco da Siena (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frededrick Littledale (1833-1890), alt.
 Music: "Down Ampney," Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

Postlude: "Malagueña" (Our Lady of Malaga) Ernesto Lecuona

Prayers this Week

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

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, Alex Chi, Christa, Jean Dicus, Daniel Drayling, Pauline Duley, Ceri Falk, John Ferme, Colette Furbush,, Chris Goldsmith, Karen Guzy, Sally Hill, Loren, Barbara Matzkin, Mick Mohuchy, Anne Marie Morris, Greg Morris, Mike Morris, Bruce Schaefer, Mary Smith, Roxanne Wall, and the people of Hawai'i.

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

What's Happening!

TAIZE – Sept 26th

Join us from 7:00pm–7:45pm as we gather in our candlelit chapel for a service of music and healing. Afterwards all are welcome to gather in our Board Room for continued connection.

Blessing of the Animals – Oct 7th

We will be collecting a goodwill offering for an area shelter at 10am.

St. Francis Day – Oct 8th

We will celebrate our patron saint in the Palm Court, toasting his courage and faith with delicious bowls of chili.

Giving Tuesday , support our Outreach Scholarship Fund – Oct 24th

Dine in or order takeout at Bettolino on Oct 24th & let your server know you are dining in support of St. Francis Episcopal Church to give 20% of the check to support our Scholarship Fund!

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