

Pentecost 14 / Proper 16

Sunday, August 25, 2024 ✦ 8:00 am



Celebrant/Preacher: The Rev. Jason Shelby

Deacon: The Rev. Celeste Stump

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. Please join us for coffee and fellowship after the service.

Flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Patricia (Patt) Parker in loving memory of Bill Parker. And by Liz Cantine in loving memory of her incredible, inspiring mother, Amelia.

Please take a moment to silence your cellphone. Thank you.

What's Happening!

Taizé service and reception – Tuesday, August 27, 7:00 pm

Healing & Reconciliation Holy Eucharist – Wednesdays at noon in the Chapel

Good Grief Support Group – Wednesdays, alternating time each week in the Parish Library

- **Wednesday, August 28, 5:00 pm**
- **Wednesday, September 4, 11:00 am**

Ongoing

Good Grief Loss Support Group: Alternating Wednesday mornings (11 am to noon) and evenings (5 pm to 6 pm) in the St. Francis Library. For people suffering loss of any kind including death, divorce, loss of health due to an illness or accident, et al.

Men's Corner: Monthly for dinner at Corner Bakery. Contact Ed Hinz (kn6jn@yahoo.com).

Quilting and Knitting Group: Thursdays at 1 pm in the Board Room. Contact: Anna Eakins (annatkozaki@gmail.com).

SAGES (Senior Adult Group of Episcopalians): Outings, social gatherings, guest speakers, and more.

St. Anne's Guild: Meets on the 4th Monday of Sept-June at 6pm. Join us for fellowship, plan church events (like the Rummage Sale and Antiques Show), potluck dinners, and our Christmas charity event! Contact Anna Eakins for questions.

St. Teresa's Guild: Meet a few times a year to raise money for charities that support women and children through dues and our famous Chinese New Year event. Contact Robin Pano for questions.

Friars: Meets as needed to cook meals for Parish events (e.g. Lenten Suppers). Contact Dick Briggs.

Yoga: All Levels Hatha Yoga for Strength and Mobility: Mondays, 11 am to 12:30 pm. All Levels Gentle Yoga for Vital Mobility and Balance: Wednesdays, 9am to 10:30 am. Contact: Jill Lynch (jillfenskelynych@gmail.com).

Alcoholics Anonymous Thursdays and Sundays, 7:30 pm.

Al-Anon Thursdays, 7 pm.

Visit our website calendar for more events, dates and times: stfrancispalosverdes.org

The Processional: I Come with Joy to Meet My Lord

Hymnal #304

I come with joy — to meet my Lord, for -
 I come with Christ - ians far and near — to
 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
 And thus with joy — we meet our Lord. His
 To - geth - er met, — to - geth - er bound, we'll

3
 giv - en loved, and free, — in awe and won - der
 find, as all — are fed, — the new com - mu - ni -
 proud di - vi - sion ends. — That love that made — us
 pres - ence al - ways near, — is in such friend - ship
 go our dif - ferent ways, — and as his peo - ple

6
 to re - call — his life laid down for me. —
 ty of love — in Christ's com - mun - ion bread. —
 makes us one, — and stran - gers now — are friends. —
 bet - ter known: we see and praise him here. —
 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise. —

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), alt. Music: "Land of Rest," American folk melody; adapt. and harm. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889-1983).

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- The Opening AcclamationBook of Common Prayer p. 323
- The Collect for PurityBook of Common Prayer p. 323
- The Summary of the Law.....Book of Common Prayer p. 324
- The Kyrie.....Book of Common Prayer p. 324
- The Collect of the DayBook of Common Prayer p. 181
- The First Lesson..... Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. ^{2a}And Joshua said to all the people, ¹⁴“Now therefore revere the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the LORD. ¹⁵Now if you are unwilling to serve the LORD, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”

¹⁶Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the LORD to serve other gods; ¹⁷for it is the LORD our God who brought us and our ancestors up from the land of

Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; ¹⁸and the LORD drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the LORD, for he is our God.”

The Response Psalm 34:15-22 (Book of Common Prayer p. 628)

The Epistle Ephesians 6:10-20

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹²For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. ¹⁵As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. ¹⁶With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

¹⁸Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints. ¹⁹Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak.

The Holy Gospel John 6:56-69

Jesus said, ⁵⁶“Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. ⁵⁷Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. ⁵⁸This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever.” ⁵⁹He said these things while he was teaching in the synagogue at Capernaum.

⁶⁰When many of his disciples heard it, they said, “This teaching is difficult; who can accept it?” ⁶¹But Jesus, being aware that his disciples were complaining about it, said to them, “Does this offend you? ⁶²Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? ⁶³It is the spirit that gives life; the flesh is useless. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. ⁶⁴But among you there are some who do not believe.” For Jesus knew from the first who were the ones that did not believe, and who was the one that would betray him. ⁶⁵And he said, “For this reason I have told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted by the Father.”

⁶⁶Because of this many of his disciples turned back and no longer went about with him. ⁶⁷So Jesus asked the twelve, “Do you also wish to go away?” ⁶⁸Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom can we go? You have the words of eternal life. ⁶⁹We have come to believe and know that you are the Holy One of God.”

The Sermon The Rev. Jason Shelby

The Nicene Creed Book of Common Prayer p. 327

The Prayers of the People Book of Common Prayer p. 328

The Confession Book of Common Prayer p. 331

The Peace Book of Common Prayer p. 332

The 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 child(ren), 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 ThanksgivingBook of Common Prayer p. 333

The Post-Communion Prayer.....Book of Common Prayer p. 339

The Blessing and Sending Forth.....Book of Common Prayer p. 339

The Recessional: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

Hymnal #460

Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus! His the scep - ter, his the throne;
 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as orph - ans are we left in sor - row now;
 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of Heav - en, thou on earth our food, our stay!
 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the Lord of lords we own:

Al - le - lu - ia! His the tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone;
 Al - le - lu - ia! He is near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how;
 Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to thee from day - to day:
 Al - le - lu - ia! born of Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne:

Hark! the songs of peace-ful Zi - on thun - der like a might - y flood;
 "Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him when the for - ty days were o'er,
 In - ter - ces - sor friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er, plead for me,
 thou with - in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest:

Je - sus out of ev - 'ry na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.
 shall our hearts for - get his prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?
 where the songs of all the sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
 thou on earth both Priest and Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: "Hyfrydol," Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

The Postlude

"Festival Toccata"

Percy Fletcher

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, Bruce Schaefer, Ceri Falk, Chris, Chris Goldsmith, Colette Furbush, Daniel Drayling, Erica, Gail Winters, George Ginis, Hector Gutierrez, Jane Sharp, Jean Dicus, Judy Morgan, Kristen, Loren, Patt Parker, Roxanne Wall, Russell, Sally Hill, Sandy, Stephen, Tommy, Tony Lowe, and William Zak Sr., and for the people of the Middle East, and victims of violence everywhere.

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

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