Pentecost 16 / Proper 18

Sunday, September 8, 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 Stephen Larrabee in memory of Christopher R. Larrabee and all victims of 9/11.

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

Coming Events

Healing & Reconciliation Holy Eucharist – Wednesdays at 10:00 am in the Chapel.

Good Grief Support Group – Wed., Sept. 11, 5:00 pm and Wed., Sept. 18, 11:00 am.

Men's Corner – Wed., Sept. 11, 6:00 pm.

Quilting Group – Thur., Sept. 12, 1:00 pm and Thur., Sept. 19, 1:00 pm.

Get Connected Sunday – Sun., Sept. 15 after the 8:00 am and 10:00 am services.

Finance Meeting - Wed., Sept. 17, 6:00 pm

Vestry Meeting - Wed., Sept. 17, 7:00 pm

St. Luke's Breakfast Outreach - Sat., Sept. 21, 7:00 am

Wayfarers Chapel Exchange

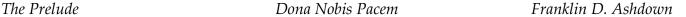
- Sept. 22: Wayfarers Chapel to worship with us at the 10:00 am service.
- Sept. 29: We will worship with Wayfarers in the St. Francis Chapel at 10:15 am.
- On both Sundays, we will have our usual 8:00 am worship in the St. Francis Chapel.

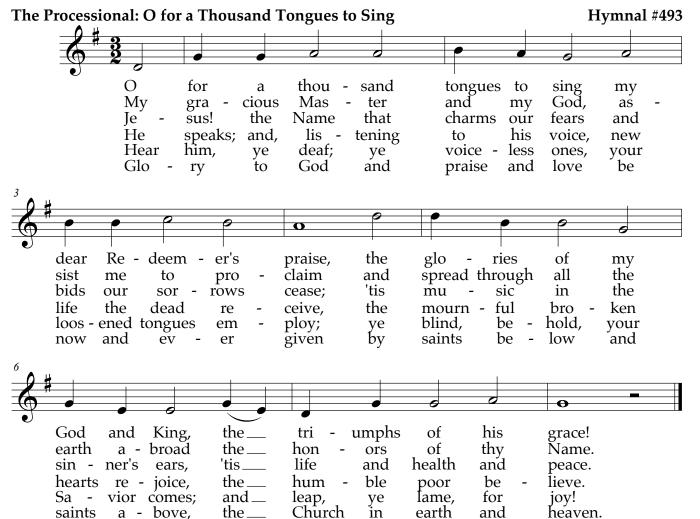
Ongoing

Get involved at St. Francis by joining one or more of our ongoing Life Groups. For a full list, visit our website at:

https://www.stfrancispalosverdes.org/small-discussion-groups/

For more events, dates and times, visit our church calendar: https://bit.ly/stfranciscalendar





Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: "Azmon," Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

The Opening Acclamation	Book of Common Prayer p. 323
The Collect for Purity	Book 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 Day	Book of Common Prayer p. 182
The First Lesson	Isaiah 35:4-7a

4Say to those who are of a fearful heart,

"Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.

He will come with vengeance,

with terrible recompense.

He will come and save you."

⁵Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

6then the lame shall leap like a deer,

and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

7athe burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

¹My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? ²For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, ³and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," ⁴have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? ⁵Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? ⁶But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? ⁷Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

⁸You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." ⁹But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. ¹⁰For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

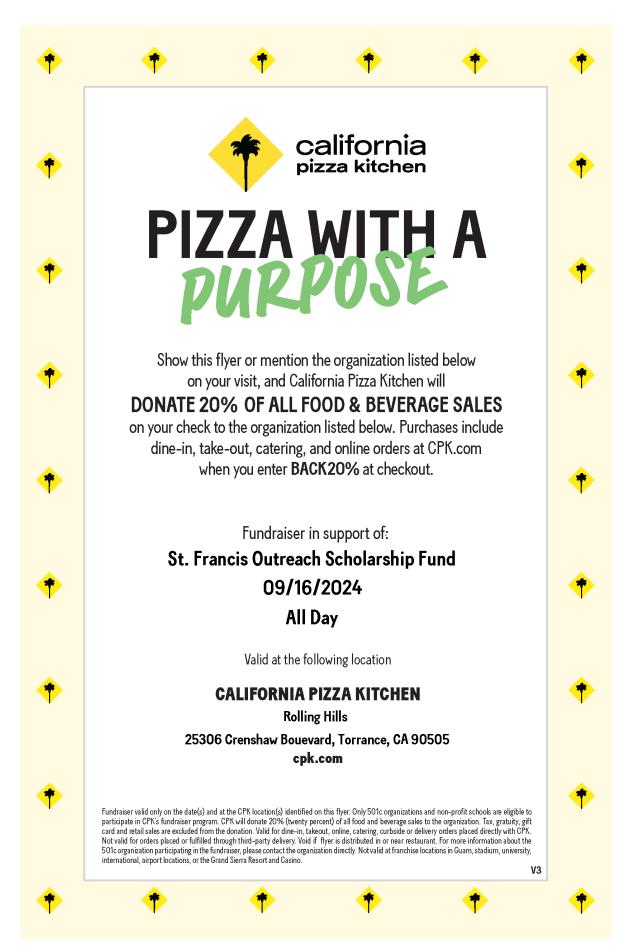
¹⁴What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but do not have works? Can faith save you? ¹⁵If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, ¹⁶and one of you says to them, "Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill," and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? ¹⁷So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

³¹Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. ³²They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. ³³He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. ³⁴Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." ³⁵And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. ³⁶Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. ³⁷They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

 The PeaceBook 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: Thou, Whose Almighty Word Hymnal #371 Thou, whose al dark - ness heard, might - y word cha - os and bring on thy re -Thou who didst come to deem-ing wing ho - ly Dove, rit of truth and life-giv-ing, love, Tri - ni - tv, Йo ly glo - ri - ous and bless - ed Three, hum - bly pray, took their flight; and, where the and hear us, we sight, health in mind, ters' face heal - ing the and to sick sight the speed forth thy flight! Move on the wa bear - ing the wis - dom, love, might; bound-less as cean tide. roll - ing in glo Gos - pel day sheds not its rious ray, let there be light! ly blind, now all ĥи man-kind, let there be light! to and, let there be of grace, in earth's dark est place, liğht! gifts full est pride, through the world, let there be far and wide. light!

Words: John Marriott (1780-1825), alt. Music: "Moscow," Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. "The New Hymnal," 1916, based on "Hymns Ancient and Modern," 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

The Postlude Toccata Flor Peeters



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: Albert, 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, Richard Cantine, 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 that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

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