THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST PROPER 7 JUNE 23, 2019

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Welcome!

It is such a joy to worship together! If Episcopal worship is unfamiliar, do not be nervous about what to do during the liturgy – relax – and let the service unfold for you. Together in song and prayer we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We invite you to fill out a Visitors Information Card and to stay for coffee after Worship.

The Rev. Alfred Jewson, Interim Vicar

This congregation is committed to being an open, affirming and welcoming church to all who come here.

Are you interested in the Sacrament of Baptism, Confirmation, or being received into the Episcopal Church? Please see Fr. Jewson.

Holy Eucharist Rite II at 8:00 & 10:15 A.M.

Lectionary Year C Daily Office Year 1
Biblical Texts are from <u>The Revised Standard Version</u>;
Liturgical texts are from <u>The Book of Common Prayer</u> & <u>The Book of Occasional Services</u>, Hymn selections are from <u>The Hymnal 1982</u> or other approved musical resources.

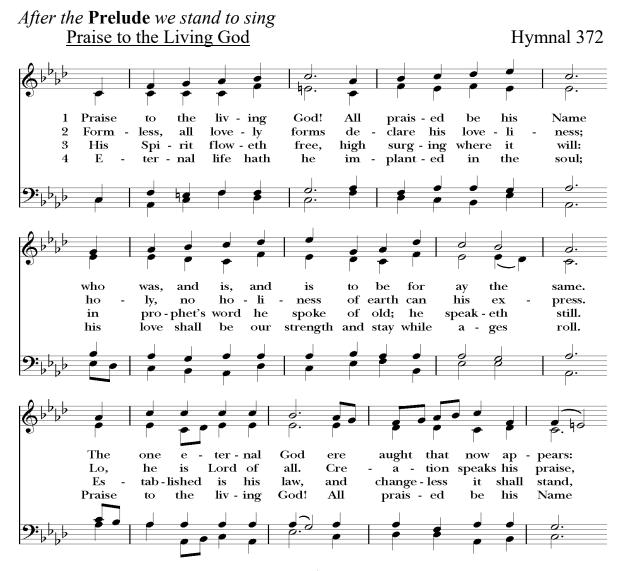
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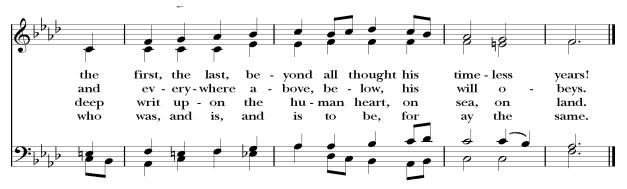
Please be respectful of those who are preparing for worship by keeping visiting in the pews to a minimum.

Prelude

Flute & Piano Arrangement Cristin Selle and Cheryl Foster

The Word of God





Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926)

Music: Leoni, Hebrew melody; harm. Hymns Ancient and Modern, 1875, alt.

The Celebrant greets us and we respond

BCP 355

Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

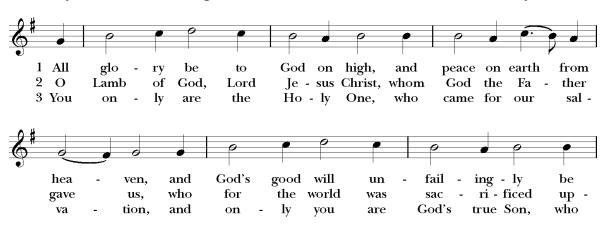
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen

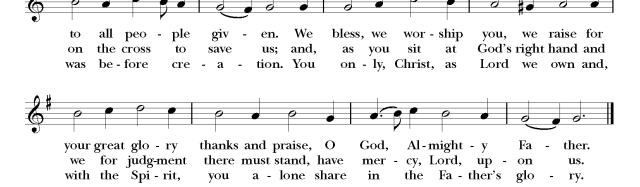
The Celebrant says the Prayer for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

We sing a Hymn of Praise All Glory Be to God on High

Hymnal 421





The Celebrant greets us & we respond

God be with you

And also with you

The Celebrant prays using the words of the Collect, a special prayer for this Sunday in the Church calendar.

Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayer for God's Will in Seeking a New Vicar All together say

O God of Infinite Wisdom, be with us as we discern whom to call as a new Vicar to guide our community. Help us to become people that embody the qualities we seek to attract; form in us hearts that are prayerful, compassionate and alive. Send your Holy Spirit to renew in us the attitude of our church's namesake. Transform us by your mercy into the image of Christ, so that we may reflect your light, your hope and your love for the life and restoration of the world to your glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading from the First Book of Kings

19:1-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there.

But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there.

Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

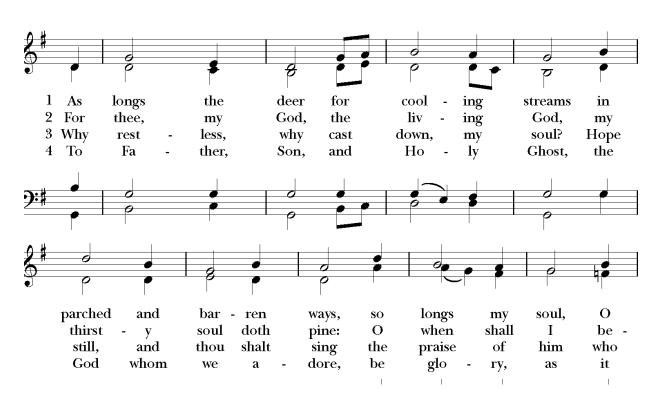
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The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**.

Then we sing together

As Longs the Deer for Cooling Springs

Hymnal 658





Words: New Version of the Psalms of David, 1696, alt.; para of Psalm 42:1-7

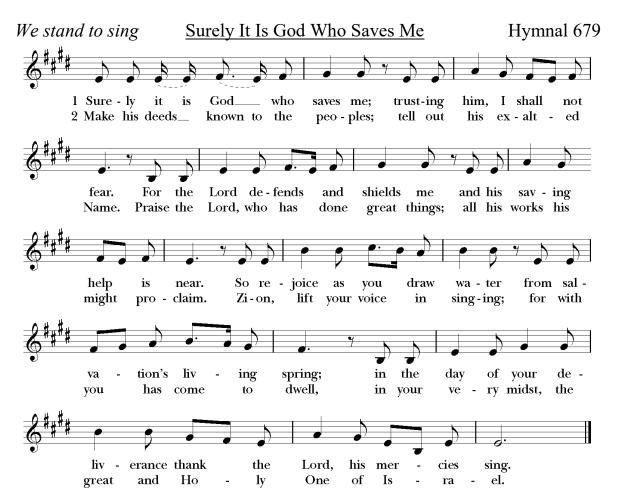
Music: Martyrdom, melody and bass Hugh Wilson (1764-1824); adapt. and harm. Robert Smith (1780-1829)

A Reading from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians

3:23-29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to the promise.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God.



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During the hymn the Deacon carries the **Gospel Book** to the center of the church to symbolize bringing the Word of God to God's people. The Deacon says and we respond.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Luke 8:26-39 Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live

in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of

the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" -- for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss.

Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned.

When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon (Children when present and Adult)

Fr. Alfred Jewson

After the Sermon all sit for a time in silent reflection.

On Sundays and other Major Feast Days there follows, all standing

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen

The Prayers of the People

The Deacon invites all to prayer-in the course of silence after each bidding the People are encouraged to offer petitions or concerns aloud or silently. Then is said

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples,

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Wayne our Bishop, Alfred our priest, Rebecca our deacon, and for the people and ministry of St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Manchester, and Earl their rector, and Dayna and Pamela their deacons; in the Diocese of Lui, South Sudan, we pray for Miri-Mududu and Emmanuel, their priests,

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our elected officials and leaders of all nations, and for those in authority, *Silence*

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the city and community in which we live, and for all who live in here, *Silence*

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth,

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel during these summer months, and for Cristin Selle as she relocates and begins a new life in Hawaii,

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering particularly those on our prayer list,

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the under-employed, for prisoners and victims of crime, and for all who remember and care for them,

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection and for all the departed and those who mourn,

Silence

Let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of Francis and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

The Celebrant prays a concluding Collect and we respond Amen

Confession of Sin and Absolution

The Deacon says
We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence

Ministers and People say together

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution from sin.

Then the Celebrant says,

The Peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of Jesus Christ. First welcome the visitor, then greet new friends, then greet old friends.

The Holy Communion

The Offertory

The Celebrant begins the Offertory with these words

Sisters and brothers present yourselves as living sacrifices to the Lord.

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offering of bread and wine to the celebrant.

Offertory Hymn Reckless Love Performed & Signed by Sophie Susan Schaeffer

Before I spoke a word, You were singing over me You have been so, so good to me Before I took a breath, You breathed Your life in me You have been so, so kind to me

Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, You give Yourself away Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God, yeah

When I was Your foe, still Your love fought for me You have been so, so good to me When I felt no worth, You paid it all for me You have been so, so kind to me

And oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God Oh, it chases me down, fights 'til I'm found, leaves the ninety-nine And I couldn't earn it, and I don't deserve it, still, You give Yourself away Oh, the overwhelming, never-ending, reckless love of God, yeah

There's no shadow You won't light up Mountain You won't climb up Coming after me

There's no wall You won't kick down Lie You won't tear down Coming after me

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Songwriters: Caleb Culver / Cory Asbury / Ran Jackson Reckless Love lyrics © Bethel Music Publishing, Sony/ATV Music Publishing LLC

Sophie Susan Schaeffer, granddaughter of Sue and John Schmidt, is a sophomore at Lakeville North High School in Lakeville, Minnesota where she resides. She will begin her fifth year studying American Sign Language in September. Her performance today is part of a school project. We appreciate her sharing her talent with us!



The Doxology

We stand as our gifts of thanksgiving are presented and we sing

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise him, all creatures here below Praise him above, ye heavenly host Praise, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Tune of Hymn 380

Eucharistic Prayer B

Inclusive Language

8:00 & 10:15 A.M.

God be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

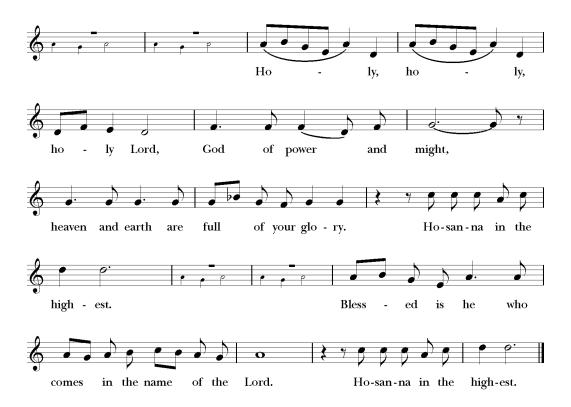
8:00 AM

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest



The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In Christ, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In Christ, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing the wine to be consecrated.

On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said,

"Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People
We remember Christ's death,
We proclaim Christ's resurrection,
We await Christ's coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in the sacrifice of Jesus Christ through whom are acceptable to you, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with the Blessed Virgin Mary, St. Francis, St. Paul, Elijah, and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Breaking of the Bread

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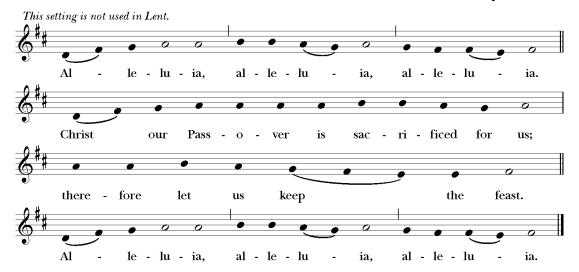
The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Then the following is said or sung

8:00 AM.

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

10:15 AM Hymnal 154



Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation The Gifts of God for the People of God.

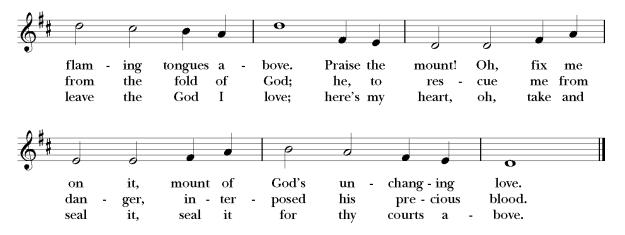
All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. If you wish to receive a blessing instead please come forward and cross your arms over your chest

During the distribution of Holy Communion we sing

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Hymnal 686





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Anointing

Personal anointing takes place on the 4th Sunday each month immediately following the reception of Holy Communion. The Celebrant invites anyone seeking an anointing to come forward. The sacramental result arises from the action of priest anointing that person with Holy Oil. After the person is anointed and the priest lays hands on that person others are invited to lay a hand on the person being anointed or a hand on a person who is touching the person being anointed. This action by those present symbolizes our union in Christ.

Sending Forth Eucharistic Visitors

After the ablutions (washing) of the vessels used for Holy Communion, the Deacon sends forth Eucharistic Visitors to bring Holy Communion to the homebound and infirm.

The Deacon says

In the healing name of Jesus, you the members of St. Francis' Church send forth *name* bearing these holy gifts of bread and wine that *name* may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup.

Then together we say a **Post-communion Prayer**

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Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

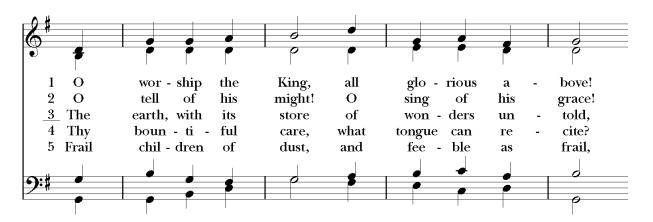
Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen

Blessing

The Celebrant blesses us and we respond Amen

Then we sing O Worship the King All Glorious Above

Hymnal 388





Words: Robert Grant (1779-1838) Music: Hanover, att. William Croft (1678-1727)

Birthdays Announcements

The Deacon sends us into the world to serve God, and we respond by saying, **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Worship has ended Let our service begin!

Prayer Rota

Members of the congregation for whom we are asked to pray this week: Noel Choweller & Roger Shaw (homebound - always included) Rich Mayfield, Kathleen McDonald, and Patti & Skip Moreland

Prayer List

Parishioners: Paddy Wrob & George Vits, Jackie, Caitlin, & Cristin Selle, Joseph, Marsha Smith, Barb Sacco, Kathleen O'Reilly, Rosie Benecke, Ann Doerr, Jock Homire, and St. Francis' Search Committee.

Relatives or Friends of Parishioners: Jean Jewson (Fr. Al), Gloria Hartman (Fr. Al), Mike Douglas (Deacon Rebecca), Andrew Guest (Kathleen McDonald), Frank Baldwin (Donna & Joe Bernert), Gavin Glueck and family (Linda Doolittle), Carmen Archer (Tracey Oswald), Lynn Stemme (Cheryl Foster), Beth Hughes (Rosie Benecke), and Rob (Paddy Wrob).

Friends of St. Francis' Childcare Center, Deaconess Anne House interns, those who are hungry, the homeless, the unemployed and underemployed, those in prison, victims of crime, victims of natural disasters, peoples of South Sudan, Syria & Central America.

For our nation and its elected leaders that they can set aside political agendas and work together for the good of the United States.

For Those Who Have Died

James Schmidt, nephew of Fr. Al and Deacon Dayna Jewson, who died June 15, 2019

Sara Johnson, friend of Marsha & Herb Smith, who died June 16, 2019

JT Young, friend of Max Starbuck, who died June 6, 2019

Prayer List requests: Please contact Deacon Rebecca Barger at rsbarger@charter.net (cell) 713-515-5676 or fill out a Prayer Request form and place it in the offering plate.

Bible Study Questions for Proper 7

For individual or group study

- 1st Kings 19:1-15a Through the influence of Queen Jezebel, King Ahab had introduced the worship of Baal and Asherah, male and female pagan dieties. In Chapter 18 Elijah had challenged the prophets of these pagan deities and ultimately had them all slain.
- 1. Why was pagan worship so dangerous to the Israelite faith?
- 2. What is significant about 40 days and nights? What is another biblical name for Mount Horeb? (See Exodus 19:17ff.)
- 3. What is the significance of the word of God appearing only in the silence and not in thunder, earthquake, fire, etc.?

Galatians 3:23-29

- 1. What does Paul mean when he says, "Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith"?
- 2. How does Christ change all this?
- 3. What experience showed you that keeping rules was not the way to obtain God's mercy?

Luke 8:26-39

- 1. How does Jesus treat the man differently than the way others have treated him? What is the net result?
- 2. Have you ever wanted Jesus to leave you alone? What was the result?
- 3. When you first met Jesus how did Jesus treat you? Was it different from the way others treated you?

Readings for Next Sunday: June 30, 2019

The First Lesson: 2 Kings 2: 1-2, 6-14
Psalm 77: 1-2, 11-20
The Epistle: Galatians 5: 1, 13-25

The Gospel: Luke 9: 51-62

This Week at St. Francis' Church

Sunday June 23	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
Proper 7	10:15 am	
1		Cristin Selle Send off following
		worship
	6:00 pm	Al-Anon- Community Room
Monday June 24	5:00 pm	Evening Prayer/Intercessions
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Tuesday June 25	8:30 am	Morning Prayer
	10:00 am	Al Anon—Children's Room
	7:00 pm	Overeaters' Anonymous –
		Community Room
Wednesday June 26	1:30 pm	Crafternoon – Community Room
Thursday June 27	8:30 am	Morning Prayer
	1:00 pm	Marketing & Communications
		Meeting
	6:45 pm	AA—Community Room
Friday June 28	10:00 am	Bible Study – Community Room
	10:00 am	Men's 12 Step OA – Children's
		Room
Saturday June 29	7:00 am	AA—Community Room
Sunday June 30	8:00 am	Holy Eucharist
	10:15 am	l
	12:30 <i>pm</i>	
		church
	6:00 pm	Al-Anon- Community Room

IN WHAT WAYS IS THE HOLY SPIRIT CALLING YOU
TO SERVE THE CHURCH AND HUMANITY
IN THANKSGIVING
FOR ALL THAT GOD HAS GIVEN YOU?

Scheduled Monthly Happenings

First Sunday Loose plate offering goes to clergy discretionary

fund during both Services

Second Sunday Food Pantry offerings are blessed at late Service

Blood Pressure taken in Community Room between

Worship Services

Third Sunday Pot-luck after 10:15 am Worship

Bishop's Committee Meeting

Fourth Sunday Holy Anointing takes place immediately after

distribution of Holy Communion at both Services



Happy Birthday!

Daniel Lawson-June 24 Kathy Regnier-June 24 Mikhail Bogomolov-June 27 Robbie Lawson-June 29 Dana Lawson-June 29

Centering Prayer-quiet time with God

In the July Chalice there is an article about Centering Prayer. At St. Francis' Church Centering Prayer will become part of our weekly liturgy beginning July 10 at 5:30pm. Our quiet time together will last about 20 minutes or so.

One of the goals of Centering Prayer is to be totally open to God: totally available, all the way down to that innermost point of your being; deeper than your thinking, feelings, memories, and desires.



Friends of St. Francis' Childcare Center

Help is needed in the morning from 7:00 am to 9:00 am and from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm Monday—Friday.

State law and Insurance require 2 adults to be present at all times when children are there. There will always be a staff member present who will be in charge. You are not required to teach anything, just be with the children and maybe read a book or have them color some things or just sit with them.

When adults from our congregation volunteer at our childcare center it saves money that would have to be paid to extra staff.

There is a sign-up list on the bulletin board in the hallway.

Thank you!

The Training Meeting for the Search Committee has been rescheduled for Monday, July 1 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room. Funeral arrangements for James Schmidt, nephew to Fr. Al and cousin to Fr. Joe Chambers has necessitated the change in date.

Worship and Music Committee originally scheduled for Monday, July 1 at 6:00 p.m. has been rescheduled to Monday, July 8 at 6:00 p.m.

Something to Think About

Brought to you by the Stewardship of Life

This morning, we offer our time, abilities, and money in thanksgiving for God's reconciling love for each of us. As we present ourselves as an offering to God, if you are alienated from a family member, today may be the day to telephone or visit or write a note to heal that wound and bring about reconciliation.

Potted Plants

There are two potted plants at the front entrance that have been given to the church. Would you like to adopt a ministry to regularly water and care for these plants? Please see Fr. Al.



Lower Attendance?

At Bishop's Committee meeting last Sunday one member noted that our ASA (Average Sunday Attendance) is lower for the first three months of 2019 compared to the same time in 2018. There could be several reasons for this that the Executive Committee will explore. In the meantime, if you notice a friend missing for more than a couple of Sundays, call that person and ask how they are doing. Don't be afraid to call and it is all right of several persons call. Our new Parish Directory is available and you can pick up a copy in the Narthex.

Summer Vacations



We all love to get away for a while, sometimes to exotic places and other times just a weekend away. Time spent away can be refreshing and healthy for each of us, but do not forget your pledge commitment to St. Francis' Church. Please remember to mail your contribution prior to leaving.

Today's Ministers of Worship

Celebrant	The Rev. Alfred Jewson
Deacon	The Rev. Rebecca Barger
Musician	Cheryl Foster
Choir Director	Max Starbuck
Christian Formation	Kathy Regnier
Altar Guild	Sue Schmidt
Acolyte 8:00 am	L. B-M
Lector 8:00 am	Tracey Oswald
Greeter	Volunteer
Usher	Joe Bernert
Acolyte 10:15 am	Katie Jones
Lectors 10:15 am	Sally Hader & Kathleen O'Reilly
Torchbearers	Jack Lauless & Arlene Underwood
Eucharistic Minister	Suzanne Jones
Eucharistic Visitor	Paddy Wrob
Tellers	Rich Mayfield & Arlene Underwood



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