



# St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church

THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

August 13, 2017 ~ 10:00 a.m.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST ~ RITE TWO  
WITH THE RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

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*We invite you to participate in the worship of God. Our service is The Holy Eucharist Rite Two in The Book of Common Prayer. For ease of use, this leaflet contains the congregational portions of the liturgy and service music. Congregational responses are printed in italics. Hymn numbers refer to The Hymnal 1982. Page numbers refer to The Book of Common Prayer for those wishing to use it. Lesson and Gospel texts are taken from the New Revised Standard Version of the Bible.*

## Organ Prelude

*Ave Maria*

*Be Thou My Vision*

F. Schubert

D. Wagner



## The Word of God

### Processional Hymn

Hymn 410: Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

*Lauda anima*

### The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

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

**BCP p. 355**

### The Collect 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.*

**BCP p. 355**

### The Gloria

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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*(A brief time of silence will now be observed.)*

### The Collect of the Day

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**BCP p. 232**

### The Lessons

#### 1 Kings 19:9-18

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah 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. Then there came a voice to him that said, "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." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

### **Psalm 85:8-13**

- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, \*  
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people  
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, \*  
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; \*  
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth, \*  
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, \*  
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him, \*  
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

### **Romans 10:5-15**

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Lector: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

### **Sequence Hymn**

Hymn 490: I want to walk as a child of the light

*Houston*

Deacon: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: *Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

### **Matthew 14:22-33**

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

### **The Sermon**

The Rt. Rev. J. Russell Kendrick

### **The Baptismal Covenant**

**BCP p. 416**

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Father?

People: *I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.*

Bishop: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People: *I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.*

Bishop: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People: *I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.*

Bishop: Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop: Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop: Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop: Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

Bishop: Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People: *I will, with God's help.*

### **The Prayers of the People**

**Form VI, BCP p. 392**

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;  
*For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

For this community, the nation, and the world;  
*For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

For the just and proper use of your creation;  
*For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;  
*For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;  
*For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

For the Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby; our Presiding Bishop, Michael Curry; our Bishop, Russell Kendrick; and our Rector, Tim Backus; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons.  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For our President, Donald Trump, for all leaders of our nation and those in authority; that they may be guided by your wisdom and grace to exercise their duties for the common good. And for those in authority of all nations, let us pray to the Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*A few moments of silence.*

*(Today's Intercessor will now read congregational prayers for healing, protection and thanksgiving.)*

Hear us, Lord;  
*For your mercy is great.*

We thank you Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

*Silence.*

We will exalt you, O God our King;  
*And praise your name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, especially De'Anah East, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence.*

Lord let your loving kindness be upon them.  
*Who put their trust in you.*

### **The Confession**

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*(A brief moment of silence will now be observed.)*

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Celebrant and People:*

*Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

### **Absolution**

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

### **The Peace**

(Please greet one another and welcome a guest.)

### **Welcome**

### **Acknowledging Recipients of the 2017 St. Francis Scholarship Award**

### **A Blessing For Our Students**

#### **The Offertory**

*He's Got the Whole World/This is My Father's World*  
(Adult Choir and St. Francis Children)

Joel Raney

#### **Hymn at the Presentation** (Choir & Congregation)

Hymn 380, Vs. 3: Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

*Old 100<sup>th</sup>*

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.



### **The Holy Communion**

#### **The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharist Prayer B**

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Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: *And also with you.*

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: *We lift them up to the Lord.*

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: *It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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

#### **The Sanctus**

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*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory,  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

*Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.*

*Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

(The congregation may stand, kneel or sit.)

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 the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. 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 him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord 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,

*We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory.*

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 his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, 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 kingdom where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen.*

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

### **The Lord's Prayer**

**BCP p. 336**

*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.*

*(A brief time of silence will now be observed.)*

### **The Breaking of The Bread**

**BCP p. 337**

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: *Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

### **Fraction Anthem**

Lamb of God

*Agnus Dei*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.*

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.*

### **The Communion**

*(All baptized Christians of any denomination are welcome to receive the Eucharist at the Lord's Table.)*

### **Hymns at the Administration**

Hymn 398: I sing the almighty power of God

*Forest Green*

*How Great Thou Art*

*(see insert)*

*Swedish Folk Melody*

Hymn 608: Eternal Father, strong to save

*Melita*

**The Post-Communion Prayer** (in unison)

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*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.*

**A Prayer Attributed to St. Francis** (in unison)

*Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.*

**The Blessing**

**Recessional Hymn**

Hymn 599: Lift every voice and sing

*Lift Every Voice*

**The Dismissal**

Deacon: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

**Postlude**

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

Laudes Domini



The Prayer Ministry Team is available during and following Communion in the Prayer Chapel to pray with you for any need or concern you may have.  
“Pray for each other so that you may be healed.” (James 5:16b)

**MINISTERS FOR THIS SERVICE**

Greeters	Mike & Alice Lane
Ushers	Herb & Ann Woll
Acolytes	John Griffing
	Averette Culver
	Barbara MacNeil
Eucharistic Ministers	McGee Lorren
	Neil Merrifield
Lectors	John Boden
	Hannah Grimley
Intercessor	Kim Grimley
Oblationers	Bob & Sara Lee Menzer
Prayer Team	Sarah McCarren
	David Stratford
Nursery Assistant	Sarah Backus
Organist/Choirmaster	Cathy Griffing
Ministers of Music	St. Francis Adult Choir
Priest	The Rev. Tim Backus
Deacon	The Rev. Tricia Spencer
Celebrant	The Rt. Rev. J. Russell Kendrick

**THIS WEEK’S SCHEDULE**

<b>SUN., AUG. 13:</b> .....	9:00 a.m.	Bishop’s Forum
	9:00 a.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
	9:45 a.m. to	Communion
	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite Two
	11:15 a.m.	Coffee Hour
<b>MON., AUG. 14:</b> .....	9:15 a.m.	Tai Chi
<b>TUES., AUG. 15:</b> .....	10:00 a.m.	Women’s Bible Study
<b>WEDS., AUG. 16:</b> .....	9:15 a.m.	Tai Chi
	12:00 p.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite Two
<b>THU., AUG. 17:</b> .....	6:00 p.m.	Adult Choir Rehearsal
<b>FRI., AUG. 18:</b> .....	9:00 a.m.	Senior Moment Café
<b>SUN., AUG. 20:</b> .....	9:00 a.m.	Adult Christian Ed
		Adult Choir Rehearsal
	9 a.m. -	Communion
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	10:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist Rite Two
	11:15 a.m.	Coffee Hour

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME VISITORS.** We are happy to have you with us today to share in worship and fellowship. Please fill out a pew card, put it in the offering plate and sign the guest book in the Atrium. After the service, join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and conversation.

**BISHOP'S VISITATION TODAY. SPECIAL SERVICE FOR STUDENTS OF ALL AGES! BRING YOUR BACKPACKS!** During the service, we would like to invite all students (preschool - college; even doctorate!) to come forward for a special blessing from our Bishop, Russell Kendrick, as our students begin a new year of education. Please bring your backpacks for the blessing! Regardless, all students will be invited forward!

### **CHRISTIAN EDUCATION BEGINS SUNDAY, AUGUST 20TH!**

**10 A.M. CHILDREN'S EDUCATION** is being led and organized by Angie Dufort. We will kick off our children's education program with a brand new curriculum at our normal 10 a.m. hour during the service. Children will join their parents during the service at Communion.

**9 A.M. ADULT EDUCATION:** Please join us for Adult Education led by Carol Boden. Carol's course on the Gospel of John was amazingly powerful this past year, and we are extremely fortunate that Carol has agreed to offer this course again. If you attended Carol's class last year, don't let that deter you from attending! There is always new information and insight when it comes to Carol's classes. You will not want to miss this opportunity!

**VOLUNTEER SIGN UP FOR SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR.** Coffee hour is a ministry of hospitality and a place for building community. Please accept an invitation to join this ministry! You can now sign up to bring a dish to share for coffee hour as part of a larger group. **You do not have to host the entire coffee hour.** Many hands make light work! The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall or you can call the Parish Office to determine what is needed. Please submit a receipt to the Parish Office for reimbursement of your food expenses.

**PARISH SUPPER & FORUM PROGRAM-CHOIR CONCERT.** The new Parish Supper & Forum season begins Wednesday, August 23 at 6 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Please bring a favorite dish to share with everyone. **Following dinner, we will be entertained by the St. Francis Adult Choir as they present a toe-tapping Gospel music concert.**

**PARISH OFFICE CLOSED.** The Parish Office will be closed Monday, August 14 and Tuesday, August 15. Our Sexton, Bill Lucas, will be in the office from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. both days. Fr. Tim's day off is Monday, but he will be in the office on Tuesday.



## PRAYER LIST

Pray for Healing: Marilee Backus, John Billings, Marcia Brownlie, Penny Carter, Alice Caruso, Armand Caruso, Catlin Cibula, Anna Clausen, Tony Coker, Jean Crowe, Fred Drinkwater, Bobbie Gibson, Cheryl Hale, Harper family, Todd Hochman, Josephina Jimenez, Matthew Kenworthy & family, Kristie Kroh, Carol Lewis, Virginia MacKinnon, Channing Mason, Liza McKee, Lynda Milne, Barbara Ogden, Claire & Baby Pringle, Eleanor Reeves, Ricky Rojas, Eric Schurger & family, Amelia Spencer, Trey Starr, Bob Stine, Bob Stine, Jr., Nadyne Thomson, Jim Watson

Pray for the Departed: De'Anah East

Pray for Active Duty Military: T.J. Teicher, Matthew King, Doug Kroh, Anthony Olson, Jason Pritchett, Kevin Walsh, Nicolas Zbikowski, Shane Murtha, Dylan Price, Daniel Lane, Corrie Howe, Ryan Schuler, Bryan Lucas, Martin Bunt, Karri Styron