



# Saint Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church

Green Valley, Arizona

The Rev. Dr. Warren Leibovitch, Rector  
The Rev. Nelson Mendoza, Curate  
The Rev. Becky Williamson, Deacon

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY 16 JANUARY 2022

### ORGAN PRELUDE

*Praeludium II*

Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-47

### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### OPENING HYMN 7

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,  
Christ, the true, the only Light,  
Sun of Righteousness, arise!  
Triumph o'er the shades of night:  
Dayspring from on high, be near;  
Daystar, in my heart appear.

2. Dark and cheerless is the morn  
unaccompanied by thee;  
joyless is the day's return,  
till thy mercy's beams I see,  
till they inward light impart,  
glad my eyes, and warm my heart.

3. Visit then this soul of mine!  
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief!  
Fill me, radiance divine;  
scatter all my unbelief;  
more and more thyself display,  
shining to the perfect day.

### THE OPENING SENTENCE

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

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

Celebrant 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.

People *Amen.*

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

*People And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**A**lmighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

A Reading from The Book of the Prophet Isaiah (62:1-5).

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest, until her vindication shines out like the dawn, and her salvation like a burning torch. The nations shall see your vindication, and all the kings your glory; and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.

You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of your God. You shall no more be termed Forsaken, and your land shall no more be termed Desolate; but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her, and your land Married; for the Lord delights in you, and your land shall be married. For as a young

man marries a young woman, so shall your builder marry you, and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride, so shall your God rejoice over you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### **THE PSALM (36:5-10)**

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| 5 Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, *<br>and your faithfulness to the clouds.   | 8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; * you give them drink from the river of your delights.    |
| 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; *<br>you save both man and beast, O LORD. | 9 For with you is the well of life, *<br>and in your light we see light.                                 |
| 7 How priceless is your love, O God! *<br>your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.                              | 10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, * and your favor to those who are true of heart. |

### **The Epistle**

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (12:1-11)

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL HYMN 324

1. Let all mortal flesh keep silence,  
and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
for with blessing in his hand  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
our full homage to demand.

2. King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
as of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords in human vesture,  
in the Body and the Blood  
he will give to all the faithful  
his own self for heavenly food.

3. Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way,  
as the Light of Light descendeth  
from the realms of endless day,  
that the powers of hell may vanish  
as the darkness clears away.

4. At his feet the six-winged seraph;  
cherubim with sleepless eye  
veil their faces to the Presence,  
as with ceaseless voice they cry,  
"Alleluia, alleluia!  
Alleluia, Lord Most High!"

## THE GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to John (2:1-11).

*People Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**O**n the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

*People Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**THE SERMON** The Rev. Nelson Mendoza

## 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: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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 and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. He 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 (Form II)**

*In the course of the silence after each bidding, the People offer their own prayers, either silently or aloud. The People may stand, sit, or kneel.*

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world;  
for our Bishop Jennifer; for this gathering; and for all  
ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations;  
and for the well-being of all people.

Pray for justice and peace.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the  
oppressed, and those in prison.

Pray for those in any need or trouble.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper  
knowledge of him.

Pray that they may find and be found by him.

*Silence*

I ask your prayers for the departed [especially \_\_\_\_\_].

Pray for those who have died.

*Silence*

Reader We acknowledge the native peoples of the land on which we stand.

People *We pay our respects to the Pascua Yaqui and Pima tribes for their care of this land.*

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

*Silence may be kept.*

*Leader and People*

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 Priest alone stands and says*

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**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*  
The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People And also with you.*

## **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

### **AT THE OFFERTORY**

*Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us,  
an offering and sacrifice to God. (Ephesians 5:2)*

### **OFFERTORY ANTHEM**

Felix Mendelssohn, 1809-47

*Lord, in thy mercy grant us peace throughout all generations; Thou art alone our sword  
and shield, Lord who dost guide the nations. Defend us, O God, we pray thee.*

*-words by Martin Luther, 1483-1546*

### **AT THE PRESENTATION**

*Priest God of hope, renew in us the joy of your salvation:*

*People and make us a living sacrifice to you, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.*

### **AT THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

*Celebrant The Lord be with you.*

*People And also with you.*

*Celebrant Lift up your hearts.*

*People We lift them to the Lord.*

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

*People It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

*Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and every-  
where to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of  
heaven and earth.*



Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Now with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven, we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name.

*Celebrant and People*

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

Hosanna in the highest.

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

Hosanna in the highest.

*The people stand, sit, or kneel.*

*Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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 for ever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior

Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*Together* 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.

**AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

Celebrant We break the bread of life, and that life is the light of the world.

*People* God here among us, light in the midst of us, bring us to light and life.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

**PRAYER FOR THE SENDING FORTH OF EUCHARISTIC VISITORS (TO BE SAID BY ALL)**

In the name of this congregation we send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the Communion of Christ's body and blood. We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.



## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*Together* Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

### CLOSING HYMN 533

1. How wondrous and great thy works, God of praise!  
How just, King of saints, and true are thy ways!  
O who shall not fear thee, and honor thy Name?  
Thou only art holy, thou only supreme.
2. To nations of earth thy light shall be shown;  
their worship and vows shall come to thy throne:  
thy truth and thy judgments shall spread all abroad,  
till earth's every people confess thee their God.

## THE DISMISSAL

### ORGAN POSTLUDE

Sonata II: *Allegro maestoso e vivace*

Mendelssohn

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### *We Welcome You*

A warm welcome to all and, if you are a visitor, we encourage you to make yourself known to your fellow worshippers and to our St. Francis clergy. If you would like to know more about the Parish please speak with Fr. Warren or Fr. Nelson after the service or get in touch with them via email at: *frwarren@stfranciscgvaz.org* or *nelson@stfranciscgvaz.org*. Please take the time to fill out a visitor card and hand it to an usher, greeter, or one of the clergy, or place it in the offering basket. We would love to hear from you.

#### *Work has begun ...*

Our roof repair and replacement project is underway and, as with all such endeavors, some inconvenience will come along with it. You may find that, especially during the week, some parking spaces are cordoned off and that some walkways are impassable. Please, for the safety of all, avoid walking through obvious construction zones and any areas blocked by caution tape or orange cones. Your patient cooperation is appreciated. We look forward to a beautiful—and leak-free—new roof.

## *Parish Offices Closed*

Our offices will be closed tomorrow, Monday, 17 January, in observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. federal holiday.

## *This Week at St. Francis*

Monday, 9a	Morning Prayer, Chapel
Tuesday, 9a	Handbells, Loft
Tuesday, 9a	Men's Group, Parish Hall
Wednesday, 9a	Holy Eucharist, Chapel
Wednesday, 1p	Personnel, Conference Rm
Thursday, 9a	Buildings and Grounds, Parish Hall
Thursday, 2p	Parish Choir, Loft

## *Annual Parish Meeting*

The Annual Meeting of St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church will be held next Sunday, January 23, 2022 at 10:30 AM in the Parish Hall. You are most cordially invited to attend. If you are responsible for a report, please send it—in Word format or in the body of an email—to:

[gerald@stfrancisgvaz.org](mailto:gerald@stfrancisgvaz.org) no later than Tuesday, January 18; the Annual Report is a large document to prepare. Thanks for your kind cooperation.

## *Prince of Egypt:*

### *Pre-Lenten Film Discussion*

If you are looking for a unique way to prepare for Lent consider joining for a three week film discussion on the Prince of Egypt, an animated retelling of the Book of Exodus. This series may help set a tone for the coming of our Lenten classes and speakers. During our time we will separate the film into viewing and discussion. Class will be held February 8, 15, and 22 from 11 AM to Noon.

## *St. Francis Boutique*

It's easy shopping at our Boutique, now

open on Wednesdays from 10 AM until 2 PM and on Sundays following the service. We continue to get new, unique items for sale and all are reasonably priced. So come take a look, knowing that whatever you buy is going to help those in need in our community via the Rector's Discretionary Fund. It's a win/win for all when you buy in the Boutique. *Jylene Wright*

## *2022 Lenten Series*

Our guest lecturers for the 2022 Wednesday Lenten Series include Canon Debbie Royals (March 9), The Rev. Laura Adelia (March 16), The Rev. John Caleb-Collins (March 23), Bishop Jennifer Reddall (March 30), Canon Anita Braden (April 6), and Fr. Warren Leibovitch (April 13). Fr. Warren's presentation will include a Seder Meal. Each evening will begin with STATIONS OF THE CROSS at 5 PM in the Courtyard, followed by dinner at 5:30 PM and our guest speaker presentation at 6:15 PM in the Parish Hall. Mark your calendar so you won't miss these opportunities to enhance your Lenten observance.

## *Saturday Eucharist*

Our next Saturday afternoon Eucharist will be celebrated February 12 at 4 PM in the Parish Hall. Please remember to bring and wear your mask.

## *Tuition Tax Credits*

Our good friends at Imago Dei Middle School have this timely message for us:

"You can help educate some of Tucson's most vulnerable children—at no cost to you. The AZ Private School Tuition Tax Credit Program allows you to put your state tax dollars to work changing lives through education at Tucson's Imago Dei Middle School, offering an Episcopal private-school educa-

tion to low-income 5th-through-8th-graders. Unlike tuition-driven private schools, Imago Dei serves only children living in poverty, so all of our students receive full scholarships. We meet our students where they are and offer the structure and resources to help them grow into all that they can be. Learn more about helping through the Tax Credit Program at [www.az-esf.org](http://www.az-esf.org). Thank You.”

### *Cruzando Fronteras*

Cruzando needs chap stick, small jars of Vicks, white socks for children and adults, and Pampers/Luvs in sizes 2 to 5. Look for the collection spot in the Parish Hall.

### *Library Resource Center Now Open for Business*

Your church Library Resource Center is waiting for you to stop by and select books to read from its collections of 100s of books. It is located in the hallway from the Parish Hall main meeting room and is open Monday through Thursday from 9 AM until NOON and Sunday after church. Wednesdays and Thursdays there is a volunteer to help you find what you are looking for.

The emphasis of our collection is spirituality, self-improvement, learning to listen and learn, and helping us live wonderful lives and sharing that with others. The library volunteers have been very busy for the past months processing books for your enjoyment.

Come in, browse the shelves and ask for help. That is what we are here for.

*Joyce Davison*, Your Librarian

### *Current Covid Protocols*

Please note the following Covid 19 protocols:

- masks are required for in-person worship,
- all pews are now open for seating,

·the main (East) door into the Narthex is now open to welcome worshippers,

·worshippers wishing to receive Communion are invited to receive the elements at one of two standing Communion stations at the front of the church,

·Communion wafers are no longer in plastic baggies, and

·Communion wine is available by intinction (only) for those wishing to receive it.

To avoid crowding the center aisle during the distribution of the Sacrament, only one row at a time will move forward—please remember to follow Usher’s directions; masks are still required in large groups such as worship services for the time being.

### *Prayer Chain*

For Prayer Chain requests contact Jim Ratley at 253-365-5093 or, via email, at [ijnrats@gmail.com](mailto:ijnrats@gmail.com).

### *Home Communion*

St. Francis is once again offering home Communion to parishioners unable to attend church services. If you would like a Lay Eucharistic Volunteer to bring you the Sacrament, please contact Deacon Becky (480-204-0022) or via email ([1beckyw@cox.net](mailto:1beckyw@cox.net)).

### *Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed for January*

Serving cookies and pouring juice and coffee is a great way to get to know your fellow parishioners. Contact Gail Haight (520-490-2739) and let her know you want to lend a hand.

### *Altar Flowers*

Would you like the flowers on the altar to be given in thanksgiving or in remembrance of someone or something you cherish? We

would like to restart this tradition here at St. Francis. If you would like to sponsor altar flowers, please call Carol Berg at 520-373-5770 with your request. If she is not at home, leave your name and number and she will get back to you. Flower donation is \$35.

### *Prayer Lists*

It's important that we keep our lists of persons in need of our prayers current, and you can help. If you would like to add the name of a loved one, friend or family member, to the list of names to be read in the Sunday morning liturgy—including the list of those who have died—please let one of the Clergy know and they will convey the information to Gerald for inclusion in the Prayers of the People. (And be sure to let the Clergy know of any pastoral need you have or know of; don't let the Church be always 'the last to know.')

Remember too to let us know when we can remove names from the list. You may also let Gerald know directly ([gerald@stfranciscgvaz.org](mailto:gerald@stfranciscgvaz.org)) of the names of persons you would like to include in the Prayers of the People, but we encourage you always to go through the Clergy.

### *Amazon Smile*

If you purchase goods from Amazon.com (and who doesn't?), a percentage of the price can be sent to your favorite charity (or church - hint, hint) as a donation. All you have to do is sign up for Amazon Smile. Talk about easy money! Try it.

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