

THE LAST SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST
OR
CHRIST THE KING
2022



*Confirmation,
Reception and
Reaffirmation*

SAINT FRANCIS IN THE VALLEY
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THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO
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CONFIRMATION AND RECEPTION
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ORGAN PRELUDE

Three Preludes on 'God Himself Is With Us'

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WELCOME

OPENING HYMN 516

1. Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardor glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear, and
kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

2. O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light shine ever on my
sight, and clothe me round, the while
my path illuming.

3. And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till Love create a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

THE OPENING SENTENCE

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

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

Bishop There is one Body and one Spirit;

People *There is one hope in God's call to us;*

Bishop One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People *One God and Father of all.*

Bishop The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Bishop Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON

A Reading from the Book of the prophet Jeremiah (23:1-6).

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM (46) *Please respond at the half-verse*

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| 1 God is our refuge and strength, *
a very present help in trouble. | 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold. |
| 2 Therefore we will not fear, though
the earth be moved, * and though the
mountains be toppled into the depths
of the sea; | 9 Come now and look upon the works of
the LORD, * what awesome things he
has done on earth. |
| 3 Though its waters rage and foam, *
and though the mountains tremble at
its tumult. | 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all
the world; * he breaks the bow, and
shatters the spear, and burns the
shields with fire. |
| 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold. | 11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God;
* I will be exalted among the nations; I
will be exalted in the earth." |
| 5 There is a river whose streams make
glad the city of God, * the holy habita-
tion of the Most High. | 12 The LORD of hosts is with us; *
the God of Jacob is our stronghold. |
| 6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not
be overthrown; * God shall help her at
the break of day. | |
| 7 The nations make much ado, and the
kingdoms are shaken; * God has spo-
ken, and the earth shall melt away. | |

THE EPISTLE

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians (1:11-20).

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

GRADUAL HYMN 655

1. O Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end:
be thou for ever near me,
my Master and my friend;
I shall not fear the battle,
if thou art by my side,
nor wander from the pathway,
if thou wilt be my guide.

2. O let me hear thee speaking
in accents clear and still,
above the storms of passion,
the murmurs of self-will;
O speak to reassure me,
to hasten or control;
O speak, and make me
listen, thou guardian of my soul.

3. O Jesus, thou hast promised
to all who follow thee,
that where thou art in glory
there shall thy servant be;
and, Jesus, I have promised
to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow,
my Master and my friend.

THE GOSPEL *(Please stand as you are able)*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke (23:33-43).

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. The people stood by, watching Jesus on the cross; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Reddall, D.D.

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

Bishop The Candidates will now be presented.

The Bishop asks the candidates

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?

Candidates *I do.*

Bishop Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

Candidates *I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.*

Bishop Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People *We will.*

Bishop Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

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.*

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

The Bishop then says to the congregation

Bishop Let us now pray for these persons who have renewed their
commitment to Christ.

A period of silence follows.

Then the Bishop says

Bishop Almighty God, we thank you that by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ you have overcome sin and brought us to yourself, and that by the sealing of your Holy Spirit you have bound us to your service. Renew in these your servants the covenant you made with them at their Baptism. Send them forth in the power of that Spirit to perform the service you set before them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Confirmation, Reception and Reaffirmation

The Bishop then concludes with this prayer

Bishop Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **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.

THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

*Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name;
bring offerings and come into his courts. (Psalm 96:8)*

AT THE OFFERTORY

A Jubilant Peal

Michael Helman, b. 1956

The St. Francis Handbell Ensemble

AT THE PRESENTATION

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord,

People And of thine own have we given thee.

AT THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer B)

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 everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. 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

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 may stand, sit, or kneel.

Then 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 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,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his 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 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 country where, with Francis and 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
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...
...for ever and ever. Amen.

AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

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.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. The elements are offered at one of two standing Communion Stations at the front of the church. 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.

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 556 (stanzas 1-5)

1. Rejoice, ye pure in heart!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Your glorious banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King.
Rejoice, rejoice,
rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

2. With all the angel choirs,
with all the saints of earth,
pour out the strains of joy and bliss,
true rapture, noblest mirth.
Rejoice, rejoice,
rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

3. Your clear hosannas raise,
and alleluias loud;
while answering echoes upward float,
like wreaths of incense cloud.
Rejoice, rejoice,
rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

4. Yes, on through life's long path,
still chanting as ye go,
from youth to age, by night and day,
in gladness and in woe.
Rejoice, rejoice,
rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

5. Still lift your standard high,
still march in firm array,
as warriors through the darkness toil,
till dawns the golden day.
Rejoice, rejoice,
rejoice, give thanks, and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Michael Burkhardt

Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow

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 after the service or get in touch with him via email at: frwarren@stfrancisgvaz.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.

A Warm Welcome

We are pleased this morning to welcome our Bishop, The Rt. Rev. Jennifer Reddall, for Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation. The candidates for RECEPTION are **Stewart McKendry, Myron Le Roy Kuebler, Christina Louise Kuebler, LeRoy Vaughn, Ceci Vaughn, Diane Ward, and Rolando Altamirano**; the candidate for REAFFIRMATION is **Joyce Davison**. And it is our pleasure to welcome candidates from St. Alban's Episcopal Church, Tucson. For CONFIRMATION, **Carol Reed**, and for RECEPTION, **Alexandra Elizine Hunt**; REAFFIRMATION, **Scott Jones, Joan Prost, and Jaime Hunt**. Please join us in the Parish Hall following the service for a reception.

Bishop's Discretionary Fund

You will find envelopes in the pew racks for your donation to the Bishop's Discretionary Fund. The Fund provides aid to active and retired clergy and their families in need. Your generosity is appreciated.

New Advent Study

Fr. Warren will be leading a four-week Advent Study class: *Living Well Through Advent 2022*. Join him in the Parish Hall from 10 to 11 AM, on Tuesdays November 29 (*Simplicity*

and Balance), December 6 (*Simplicity and Letting Go*), December 13 (*Simplicity and Joy*), and December 20 (*Simplicity and Faith*). You can register for the class following Sunday services and in the Parish Office during the week, or you may email Fr. Warren directly: frwarren@stfrancisgvaz.org.

This Week at St. Francis

Monday, 10a	Hearts & Hands, Conference Room
Tuesday, 3:30p	Handbells, Loft
Wednesday, 9a	Holy Eucharist, Chapel
Thursday, 9a	Thanksgiving Day Holy Eucharist
Thursday, 1p	Thanksgiving Dinner (Reservations Required)
Sunday, 9a	Holy Eucharist

Thanksgiving Day Service

Join us in the church at 9 AM THANKSGIVING DAY—November 24—for a celebration of the Holy Eucharist in recognition of the beloved federal holiday established by a joint resolution of Congress on December 26, 1941, to be observed on the fourth Thursday in November starting in 1942.

Annual Christmas Card Party

It's time for our annual Christmas Card Party, so set aside Wednesday, December 7, and join us in the Parish Hall at 4:30 PM for a wonderful meal prepared and served by Santa Cruz Caterers. Christmas Music will be provided by guitarist Angel Perez.

The Christmas Card Party raises money for the St. Francis Covenant Fund. Established in 1993 by Dorothy Baldwin, the Covenant Fund provides temporary financial aid for needy St. Francis Parishioners. The fund is administered by the Rector. Here's how it works: Instead of sending cards to all your

friends at St. Francis, just buy ONE card and put the money you save on cards and postage in the envelope and bring it along to the party. Your card will be placed on the tree in the Parish Hall where everyone will be able to enjoy it and the money you save will be donated to the St. Francis Covenant Fund.

The Party is a catered event and reservations are necessary; just call the Parish Office (520-625-1370), or stop in during the week, to make your reservation. Sign up sheets are available after Sunday services too.

Organist This Morning

Sophia Witte is at the organ this morning.

The Boutique

Christmas Shopping at St. Francis Boutique

Talents Unlimited Boutique is now ready for you to do your Christmas shopping! Lots of unique, beautiful gifts at totally reasonable prices, so grab your coffee and come see! If you can't decide on something specific, we also have GIFT CARDS available for purchase. Shopping at the Boutique is so easy and you are supporting a mission at St. Francis as ALL profits go directly to the Rector's Discretionary Fund. It's a win-win when you buy in the Boutique. *Jylene*

Prison Ministry

The Prison Ministry would like to send Christmas cards to the women to whom we have been sending birthday cards. If you receive Christmas cards from various charities and would like to donate them to the project, please feel free to do so. We would like to address and sign the Christmas cards as a group effort at coffee hour during the month of November. We will provide the cards. We would greatly appreciate donations of postage stamps. Thank you for your support! *Rena Robbins*

Prayer Chain

For Prayer Chain requests contact Jim Ratley at 253-365-5093 or, via email, at jnjrats@gmail.com.

2023 Gratitude & Giving Campaign

If you have not yet filled out your "Estimate of Giving" form, it can be completed online by going to the St. Francis in the Valley website where you will click on the "2023 Gratitude in Giving Campaign" button. This will take you directly to the campaign information and the "Estimate of Giving" form which can be completed online or, if you choose, can be printed and manually filled out and mailed to the church or dropped in the collection plate. Please return by November 15 as the budgeting process has begun. Please note: you can share your estimate anonymously, if you so choose.

Forward Day by Day

Daily devotional booklets for November and December 2022 and January 2023 are now available in the Parish Office, Parish Hall and Narthex.

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