



# Saint Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church

Green Valley, Arizona

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The Rev. Linda Hutson, Deacon

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

21 AUGUST 2022

### ORGAN PRELUDE

*Adagio in B-flat*

Tomaso Albinoni, 1671-1751

### WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

### OPENING HYMN 368

1. Holy Father, great Creator,  
source of mercy, love, and peace,  
look upon the Mediator,  
clothe us with his righteousness;  
heavenly Father, heavenly Father,  
through the Savior hear and bless.

2. Holy Jesus, Lord of glory,  
whom angelic hosts proclaim,  
while we hear thy wondrous story,  
meet and worship in thy Name,  
dear Redeemer, dear Redeemer,  
in our hearts thy peace proclaim.

3. Holy Spirit, Sanctifier,  
Come with unction from above,  
touch our hearts with sacred fire,  
fill them with the Savior's love.  
Source of comfort, Source of comfort,  
cheer us with the Savior's love.

4. God the Lord, through every nation  
let thy wondrous mercies shine.  
In the song of thy salvation  
every tongue and race combine.  
Great Jehovah, Great Jehovah,  
form our hearts and make them thine.

### 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.

## THE SALUTATION

Celebrant The Lord be with you.  
*People And also with you.*  
Celebrant Let us pray.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

**G**rant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE FIRST LESSON

A Reading from the Book of Prophet Isaiah (58:9b-14).

If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday.

The LORD will guide you continually, and satisfy your needs in parched places, and make your bones strong; and you shall be like a watered garden, like a spring of water, whose waters never fail. Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; you shall be called the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to live in.

If you refrain from trampling the sabbath, from pursuing your own interests on my holy day; if you call the sabbath a delight and the holy day of the LORD honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, serving your own interests, or pursuing your own affairs;

then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride upon the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of your ancestor Jacob, for the mouth of the LORD has spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**THE PSALM** (103:1-8) *Please respond at the half-verse*

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| 1 Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and all that is within me, bless his holy Name.         | 6 The LORD executes righteousness * and judgment for all who are oppressed.        |
| 2 Bless the LORD, O my soul, * and forget not all his benefits.                        | 7 He made his ways known to Moses * and his works to the children of Israel.       |
| 3 He forgives all your sins * and heals all your infirmities;                          | 8 The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, * slow to anger and of great kindness. |
| 4 He redeems your life from the grave * and crowns you with mercy and loving-kindness; |  |
| 5 He satisfies you with good things, * and your youth is renewed like an eagle's.      |  |

**The Second Lesson**

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (12:18-29).

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer

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to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

### GRADUAL HYMN 493

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| 1. O for a thousand tongues to sing<br>my dear Redeemer's praise,<br>the glories of my God and King,<br>the triumphs of his grace!             | 4. He speaks; and, listening to his voice,<br>new life the dead receive,<br>the mournful broken hearts rejoice,<br>the humble poor believe.      |
| 2. My gracious Master and my God,<br>assist me to proclaim<br>and spread through all the earth<br>abroad the honors of thy Name.               | 5. Hear him, ye deaf; ye voiceless ones,<br>your loosened tongues employ;<br>ye blind, behold, your Savior comes;<br>and leap, ye lame, for joy! |
| 3. Jesus! the Name that charms our fears<br>and bids our sorrows cease;<br>'tis music in the sinner's ears,<br>'tis life and health and peace. | 6. Glory to God and praise and love<br>be now and ever given<br>by saints below and saints above,<br>the Church in earth and heaven.             |

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke (13:10-17).

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### THE SERMON The Rev. Dr. Warren Leibovitch

## 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 VI)

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

*Silence*

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 Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Jennifer our Bishop; and  
for all bishops and other ministers;  
*For all who serve God in his Church.*

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

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

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

*Silence*

*The People may add their own thanksgivings*

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

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in  
your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

*The People may add their own petitions*

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

We acknowledge the native peoples of the land on which we stand:  
*We pay our respects to the Pasqua 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**

## THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

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

### OFFERTORY HYMN 304 (stanzas 1-4)

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| 1. I come with joy to meet my Lord,<br>forgiven, loved, and free,<br>in awe and wonder to recall<br>his life laid down for me.  | 3. As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,<br>each proud division ends.<br>That love that made us makes us one,<br>and strangers now are friends. |
| 2. I come with Christians far and near<br>to find, as all are fed,<br>the new community of love<br>in Christ's communion bread. | 4. And thus with joy we meet our Lord.<br>His presence, always near,<br>is in such friendship better known:<br>we see, and praise him here.         |

### AT THE PRESENTATION

Priest     All things come of thee, O Lord,  
People     *And of thine own have we given thee.*

### 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.

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 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 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 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**

*Worshippers wishing to receive Communion are invited to receive the elements 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.

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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 460 (*stanzas 1, 3, 4*)

1. Alleluia! sing to Jesus!  
his the scepter, his the throne;  
Alleluia! his the triumph,  
his the victory alone;  
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion  
thunder like a mighty flood;  
Jesus out of every nation  
hath redeemed us by his blood.

2. Alleluia! bread of Heaven,  
Thou on earth our food, our stay!  
Alleluia! here the sinful  
flee to thee from day to day:  
Intercessor, friend of sinners,  
earth's Redeemer, plead for me,  
where the songs of all the sinless  
sweep across the crystal sea.

3. Alleluia! King eternal,  
thee the Lord of lords we own:  
Alleluia! born of Mary,  
earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne:  
thou within the veil hast entered,  
robed in flesh, our great High Priest:  
thou on earth both Priest and Victim  
in the eucharistic feast.

## THE DISMISSAL

### ORGAN POSTLUDE

Albert Alain, 1880-1971

*Messe Basse: Sortie*

Altar flowers are given by Ben & Jan Travis to the glory of God  
and in thanksgiving and celebration of their 65th wedding anniversary.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Wē Welcomē 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](mailto:frwarren@stfrancisgvaz.org).

*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.

#### Daily Devotional Booklets

FORWARD DAY BY DAY devotional booklets for August, September and October are now available in the Parish Hall, Narthex and Parish Office. "Forward Day by Day inspires

people who want to be more like Jesus and encourages them to spread his love in the world." Pick up a copy today!

### This Week at St. Francis

Tuesday, 4p	Vestry, Conference Room
Wednesday, 9a	Holy Eucharist, Chapel
Wednesday, 9:30a	Daughters of the King, Vulliamy Room
Thursday, 2p	C.S. Lewis Class, Parish Hall
Friday, 5p	Dinner and a Movie, Parish Hall
Next Sunday, 9a	Holy Eucharist

### Prayer Chain

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

### Prison Ministry

I have received feedback from Deacon Kim regarding the hearts for the Camp Genesis campers we prayed for from March to June. The hearts, Pledge cards, and notes from those who prayed for the campers were put into the backpacks each camper received when camp began. Their reactions were great! They were very excited when they discovered the heart with their name on it stuffed in their backpack. They were surprised to know someone prayed just for them for a long time AND that the person wrote them a note. Your prayers and kindness made a difference to a child in ways you may never know. Keep praying you are doing a fantastic job! *Rena Robbins*

### Hearts and Hands

Help a neighbor facing hunger. For the month of August the HEARTS AND HANDS

COMMITTEE will be collecting canned stews, chili, hearty soups, tuna, chicken and Spam for the Community/Green Valley Food Bank. Please place your donations in the baskets designated for the Food Bank. Thank you for your generosity.

### Exploring the Life and Thought of C.S. Lewis

Our fourth class on the life and thought of the great Christian apologist C.S. Lewis will be held on Thursday, August 25, at 2 PM in the Parish Hall. We will be looking at Lewis' essay *The Weight of Glory*, the first essay in the collection *THE WEIGHT OF GLORY and Other Addresses*. The book is available through Amazon Prime (used copies are also available through Amazon). If you are interested in the class, contact Gerald via email at [gerald@stfrancisgvaz.org](mailto:gerald@stfrancisgvaz.org) and he will get more information to you. You are invited to attend even if you haven't done your homework.

### Kino Border Initiative

Volunteers and staff are so grateful for the plastic containers you have been providing for so many months. Corn tortillas are a staple along with beans and rice. In addition, a stew with vegetables and a small amount of meat is typical. It's the only meal for the day, and it's hot.

Just last month, 20,032 meals were served utilizing those very containers. So, thank you and keep them coming.

### Dinner and A Movie

Join us Friday, August 26, at 5 PM for "North Avenue Irregulars" starring Edward Herrmann, Cloris Leachman and Michael Constantine. The dinner part is potluck, so plan to sign up in the Parish Hall after the service

this morning. Here's good fun and entertainment for all as we make our way through the 'Long, Hot Summer,' so don't miss it. (And bring a friend!)

### Cruzando Fronteras

Our parishioners have been most generous in their response to requests for winter needs. Although Vicks and Chapstick are no longer needed, baby diapers are always welcome. The families at La Casa de la Misericordia are most grateful. Thanks to all of you for your generosity.

### Parish Directory

#### Cover Photo Contest

Close your eyes and think of St. Francis. What images come to mind? Perhaps you envision the tranquil beauty that is found on our campus and grounds, a special event, or one of the services that bring us together as a Parish. Whatever captures your imagination and evokes the feelings you experience when you think of St. Francis, we would like you to share that in photo form. We need an original photo or a photograph of original artwork that represents the idea of our church for the new directory's cover. The winning image will be unveiled at our annual Homecoming Gathering in October (and don't tell anyone I said this, but I heard that along with their photo being featured on the cover, there might also be a fabulous prize for the winner). The image will be displayed on the cover of our new pictorial directory, which will be distributed at our Annual Meeting in January. Entering the contest is easy, simply submit your photo to George Grove at [grovegh@gmail.com](mailto:grovegh@gmail.com). Submissions must be received no later than October 15, 2022. Get creative, have fun, and don't forget to have your pic-

ture taken, the directory just wouldn't be the same without you! *Jenica Hisko*

### St. Francis Shirts & Caps

St. Francis shirts and caps will be available this fall through the Boutique! Watch for additional news and visit the display outside the Boutique where you will have a chance to see available colors, sizes and prices. Once the Boutique opens again in the fall, we will be happy to assist you with your order. *Jylene*

### 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.

### 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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