



SAINT FRANCIS IN THE VALLEY
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Green Valley, Arizona

The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe, Interim Rector
The Rev. Nelson Mendoza, Curate
The Rev. Becky Williamson, Deacon

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO

THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST • 30 AUGUST 2020

ORGAN PRELUDE

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

OPENING HYMN 401 *The God of Abraham praise*

1. The God of Abraham praise,
who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days,
and God of love;
the Lord, the great I AM,
by earth and heaven confessed:
we bow and bless the sacred Name
for ever blest.

2. He by himself hath sworn:
we on his oath depend;
we shall, on eagle-wings upborne,
to heaven ascend:
we shall behold his face,
we shall his power adore,
and sing the wonders of his grace
for evermore.

3. There dwells the Lord, our King,
the Lord, our Righteousness,
triumphant o'er the world and sin,
the Prince of Peace;
on Zion's sacred height
his kingdom he maintains,
and, glorious with his saints in light,
for ever reigns.

4. The God who reigns on high
the great archangels sing,
and "Holy, holy, holy," cry,
"Almighty King!
Who was, and is, the same,
and evermore shall be:
eternal Father, great I AM,
we worship thee."

5. The whole triumphant host
give thanks to God on high;
"Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!"
they ever cry;
hail, Abraham's Lord divine!
With heaven our songs we raise;
all might and majesty are thine,
and endless praise.

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.

TRISAGION

Celebrant: Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal One,

People: Have mercy upon us.

THE COLLECT FOR THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Celebrant: Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft
in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all
goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; 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 Letter of Paul to the Romans (12:9-21).

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another
with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be
ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in
prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers.

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who
rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be
haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not
repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is
possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge
yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine,
I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are
thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals
on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM (26:1-8)

1 Give judgment for me, O Lord, for I have lived with integrity; *
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.

2 Test me, O Lord, and try me; *
examine my heart and my mind.

3 For your love is before my eyes; *
I have walked faithfully with you.

4 I have not sat with the worthless, *
nor do I consort with the deceitful.

5 I have hated the company of evildoers; *
I will not sit down with the wicked.

6 I will wash my hands in innocence, O Lord, *
that I may go in procession round your altar,

7 Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving *
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.

8 Lord, I love the house in which you dwell *
and the place where your glory abides.

THE GOSPEL

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew (16:21-28).

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon: Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life?"

"For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe

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)

The Leader and People pray responsively

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 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.

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Priest: All things come of thee, O Lord,

People: And of thine own have we given thee.

OFFERTORY HYMN 675 *Take up your cross, the Savior said*

1. Take up your cross, the Savior said,
if you would my disciple be;
take up your cross with willing heart,
and humbly follow after me.
2. Take up your cross, let not its weight
fill your weak spirit with alarm;
his strength shall bear your spirit up,
and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.
3. Take up your cross, heed not the shame,
and let your foolish heart be still;
the Lord for you accepted death
upon a cross, on Calvary's hill.
4. Take up your cross, then, in his strength,
and calmly every danger brave:
it guides you to abundant life
and leads to victory o'er the grave.
5. Take up your cross, and follow Christ,
nor think till death to lay it down;
for only those who bear the cross
may hope to wear the glorious crown.

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: O God, while we lived as outcasts you welcomed us,
not as strangers, but as your own beloved children.
You brought us into the vibrant life of your Holy Spirit,
healing us and strengthening us for ministry.

And so we join the saints and angels in proclaiming your glory,
as we say,

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.

Celebrant: God of glory,
your Son Jesus showed us how to listen to the lost,
to succor the sick,
to build up the broken-hearted.
When we tire of good works, help us to feel
the surprise of gratitude
the joy of generosity

the power of welcome
the relief of forgiveness
the renewal of hope;
that we may be renewed in your service
and refashioned in the image
of your Son our Lord.

And so, Father, we bring you these gifts. Sanctify them by
your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood
of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the
blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Father, we now celebrate the memorial of your Son. By
means of this holy bread and cup, we show forth the sacrifice
of his death, and proclaim his resurrection, until he comes again.
Gather us by this Holy Communion into one body in your
Son Jesus Christ. Make us a living sacrifice of praise.

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.

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN 609 *Where cross the crowded ways of life*

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| 1. Where cross the crowded ways of life,
where sound the cries of race and clan,
above the noise of selfish strife,
we hear thy voice, O Son of Man. | 3. The cup of water given for thee
still holds the freshness of thy grace;
yet long these multitudes to see
the true compassion of thy face. |
| 2. In haunts of wretchedness and need,
on shadowed thresholds dark with fears,
from paths where hide the lures of greed,
we catch the vision of thy tears. | 4. O Master, from the mountain side,
make haste to heal these hearts of pain;
among these restless throngs abide,
O tread the city's streets again; |
| 5. till all the world shall learn thy love,
and follow where thy feet have trod;
till glorious from thy heaven above,
shall come the city of our God. | |

THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS



COOLDOWN WITH THE CURATE

DESCRIPTION:

As the summer heats up and the news headlines sizzle, swing by our online gathering to decompress and cool off while getting to know our new curate! Join The Rev. Nelson Mendoza for a weekly opportunity to connect and chat about things going on both in the world and in your lives. In addition, we will be sharing different and innovative ways we are practicing self-care using techniques ranging from mindfulness meditation, centering prayer, and more!

WHO: All who are interested in connecting with the new curate.

WHAT: Approximately 1 hour long conversations, dialogue, and exploring new ways to relax despite the heat.

WHEN: Thursdays at 3 PM starting July 9

WHERE: Zoom

WHY: To connect and learn new methods of self-care

EX: Gratitude practices, unplugging for the day, stretching, mindfulness meditation, prayer, dancing/music, journaling, etc. - We will explore ways of self-care each week by seeing how people have been doing each week with practices we discussed the week

prior and then introduce a new practice.
ACTION ITEM: Create an agenda for each meeting that includes which self-care method we will be exploring. Find ways to create helpful dialogue.



Fr. Colville & Sylvia Smythe

invite you to

Zoom in for Coffee Hour

this Sunday, August 30

9—9:45 AM, or

11—11:45 AM

How do you find our change of Sunday worship to Communion? Share your stories from Fr. Nelson's reception. What's coming to St. Francis this fall?

Send us an email to

cssmythe17@gmail.com

Tell us your preferred time, so Sylvia can send you an invitation!



What Programs this Fall?

The Clergy and Vestry are looking at fall program possibilities. Here are the ones they especially like. These are all on-line and Zoom meetings. What appeals to you?

Fr. Colville

_____ **AGAPE SUPPERS** You prep your own dinner at home, and open your own wine. On **Zoom** we share a short table liturgy to open, then enjoy godly conversation during the meal.

_____ **'HUMANS OF ST. FRANCIS'** Fr. Nelson is revising his online chat as a conversation for we of St. Francis to become better acquainted with him, and more wide-

ly and deeply acquainted with one another.

_____ **BIBLE CLASS ONLINE** could be THE GOSPEL OF MARK to get us ready for liturgical Year B. Or one of Paul's imprisonment epistles (Galatians, Ephesians, Philip-
pians, Colossians) Or...??

_____ **'THE WAY OF LOVE: PRACTICES FOR A JESUS-CENTERED LIFE'** Presiding Bishop Michael Curry hosts these conversations which invite us to deepen our human-
ity in sharing with one another.

_____ your idea for fall program



A Love Letter from Mona Kiefer

Just want to thank you all for all your sac-
rifices and efforts at this difficult time.

May you all stay blessed, as what you are
doing here today and the work in giving us
a virtual Sunday service is, for me anyway,
what has kept me going, and in contact with
my church family.

The *News from the Pews* is great also. I
pray for your strength and safety til we all
can be a family in our church once again.

The phone call checks from Nancy Albin,
Marsha Tripp and Doris Kuzmak were a big
part of making my decisions to not stay in
Ohio after all—and return to my church and
family in Green Valley. It's good to be home.

Faithfully yours,
Mona Kiefer



'Stewardship'

It's not a bad word at St. Francis. In fact,
it's a very good word. St. Francis is blessed
with a core of members mature in their

faith—some of great means and many of
modest means—who find satisfaction and
joy in generously supporting the work of
the Church.

The Stewardship Committee is looking for
a few good members! If you are one of our
core members—or would like to become
one—the Vestry and I invite you to join
the Stewardship Committee. The Commit-
tee's work is mostly seasonal: from now to
Christmas. Its mission is to educate the par-
ish in a variety of ways about the meaning
and practice of responsible, effective stew-
ardship. Your skills in speaking, writing,
phoning and mailing are highly desired on
the Committee. To express your interest in
serving, or for further information, contact
Fr. Colville (colville@stfrancisgvaz.org) or
Wayne North (wknorth@gmail.com)



Diocesan Service

Bishop Reddall is providing another on-
line, bilingual diocesan service on Sunday,
September 6 in order to give clergy around
the diocese an opportunity to have a sab-
bath day. It will be available on the diocesan
YouTube page ([https://www.youtube.com/
azdiocese1](https://www.youtube.com/azdiocese1)) on Sunday, September 6, at 9
AM.

A diocesan coffee hour with Bishop Red-
dall will follow via Zoom at 10 AM. A Zoom
account is not required to join the coffee
hour, but the Zoom application will need to
be downloaded onto your computer. Use the
link or call in number (including the pass-
word) below:

Diocesan Coffee Hour

Time: Sept 6, 2020 10 AM Arizona

Join the Zoom Meeting (using a webcam):

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83621004096?pwd=YkFNUUdiUktNM1dLMnpINnVlR2dRUT09>

Meeting ID: 836 2100 4096

Passcode: Peabody

Join by audio only: 602-753-0140 (Phoenix)

If you have not used Zoom before, here is a short tutorial video: <https://youtu.be/hlkC-mbvAHQQ>

