



# Saint Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church

Green Valley, Arizona

The Rev. Dr. Warren Leibovitch, Rector

The Rev. Becky Williamson, Deacon

The Rev. Linda Hutson, Deacon

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO THE NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 16 OCTOBER 2022

**ORGAN PRELUDE**

*Three Chorale Preludes*

Hal Hopson, b 1933

**WELCOME**

**OPENING HYMN 11**

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| 1. Awake, my soul, and with the sun<br>thy daily stage of duty run;<br>shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise<br>to pay thy morning sacrifice:            | 3. Direct, control, suggest, this day,<br>all I design, or do, or say;<br>that all my powers, with all their might,<br>in thy sole glory may unite.                 |
| 2. Lord, I my vows to thee renew;<br>disperse my sins as morning dew;<br>guard my first springs of thought and will,<br>and with thyself my spirit fill. | 4. Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;<br>praise him, all creatures here below;<br>praise him above, ye heavenly host:<br>praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. |

**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

**A**lmighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the Nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession 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 Genesis (32:22-31).

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but

Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel, limping because of his hip.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

**THE PSALM (121)** *Please respond at the half-verse*

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| 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *<br>from where is my help to come?                          | 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by<br>day, * nor the moon by night.                                |
| 2 My help comes from the LORD, *<br>the maker of heaven and earth.                             | 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all<br>evil; * it is he who shall keep you safe.                       |
| 3 He will not let your foot be moved *<br>and he who watches over you will not<br>fall asleep. | 8 The LORD shall watch over your going<br>out and your coming in, *<br>from this time forth for evermore. |
| 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Is-<br>rael * shall neither slumber nor sleep;               |   |
| 5 The LORD himself watches over you; *<br>the LORD is your shade at your right<br>hand,        |   |

**THE SECOND LESSON**

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to Timothy (3:14—4:5).

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

## GRADUAL HYMN 631

1. Book of books, our people's strength,  
statesman's, teacher's, hero's treasure,  
bringing freedom, spreading truth,  
shedding light that none can measure:  
wisdom comes to those who know thee,  
all the best we have we owe thee.

2. Thank we those who toiled in thought,  
many diverse scrolls completing,  
poets, prophets, scholars, saints,  
each a word from God repeating;  
till they came, who told the story  
of the Word, and showed his glory.

3. Praise we God, who hath inspired  
those whose wisdom still directs us;  
praise him for the Word made flesh,  
for the Spirit which protects us.  
Light of knowledge, ever burning,  
shed on us thy deathless learning.

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke (18:1-8).

*People Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

**J**esus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

*People Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

## THE SERMON The Rev. Tom Neyland

## 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 IV)**

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.  
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or Spirit, give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will  
for them may be fulfilled, and we pray that we may share  
with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We acknowledge the native peoples of the land on which we stand:  
*We pay our respects to the Pascua Yaqui and Pima tribes for their care of this land.*

*Silence*

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

*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)*

## AT THE OFFERTORY

*Lead me, Lord, lead me in thy righteousness, make thy way plain before my face. For it is thou, Lord, thou, Lord, only, that makest me dwell in safety.*

*words, Psalms 5:8, 4:9  
music, Samuel Sebastian Wesley, 1810-76*

## AT THE PRESENTATION

Priest     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.

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 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,  
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**

*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 632

1. O Christ, the Word Incarnate,  
O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth, unchanged, unchanging,  
O Light of our dark sky;  
we praise thee for the radiance  
that from the scripture's page,  
a lantern to our footsteps,  
shines on from age to age.

2. The Church from our dear Master  
received the word divine,  
and still that light is lifted  
o'er all the earth to shine.  
It is the chart and compass  
that o'er life's surging sea,  
mid mists and rocks and quicksands,  
still guides, O Christ, to thee.

3. O make thy Church, dear Savior,  
a lamp of purest gold,  
to bear before the nations  
thy true light as of old;  
O teach thy wandering pilgrims  
by this their path to trace,  
till, clouds and darkness ended,  
they see thee face to face.

## THE DISMISSAL

### ORGAN POSTLUDE

Hal Hopson, b 1933

*Processional in C Major*

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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 after the service or get in touch with him via email at: [frwarren@stfranciscgvaz.org](mailto:frwarren@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.

#### Organist Today

Sophia Witte, our Handbell Ensemble Director, is at the organ this morning.

#### Introduction to the Episcopal Church

Fr. Warren is teaching a one-hour introductory class on the Episcopal Church on Tuesdays in October to November 15, from 11 AM to NOON in the Parish Hall. If you are new to the Episcopal vibe—or would just like to brush-up your knowledge—this class will give you what you need. If you would like to attend, just speak with Fr. Warren or email him ([frwarren@stfranciscgvaz.org](mailto:frwarren@stfranciscgvaz.org)) and let him know you would like to register for the class, or stop in at the Parish Office to register.

#### Final Photo Sessions

The final photo sessions, for the upcoming pictorial directory, will be held in the

afternoon of Thursday, November 3, and in the morning on Tuesday, November 9. To schedule your appointment email Lou Terry at [thirdangell@cox.net](mailto:thirdangell@cox.net). The new directories will be available for purchase at the annual meeting in January for \$8, unless your picture is inside, then your first copy is free. This directory is a family portrait, and we want the whole family represented, so schedule your appointment today!

### This Week at St. Francis

Monday, 10a	Hearts & Hands, Conference Room
Monday, 10a	Handbells, Loft
Tuesday, 9a	Men's Group, Conference Room
Tuesday, 11a	Introduction to the Epis- copal Church, Parish Hall
Wednesday, 9a	Holy Eucharist, Chapel
Thursday, 10a	Franciscan Presentation, Parish Hall
Thursday, 2p	Parish Choir, Loft
Next Sunday, 10a	Photo Directory Sessions, Meeting Room 2

### Franciscan Activities

We will continue our series of classes on Francis and Franciscan values in the Parish Hall on Thursday, October 20, at 10 AM for a discussion on the Franciscan value of CREATION. The Rev. Pam Hyde introduced this topic in her October 2 sermon. We will explore it further by making use of Francis' *Canticle of Creation*. We hope you will be able to attend this class that is so very socially and spiritually relevant today for us and for our children.

### Solo Journeymen

Solo friends, bring your appetite and join us for breakfast/lunch after church services on Sunday, October 30. Please sign-up after

church October 16 or 23 in the Parish Hall. (We need to have an estimated count to give to the restaurant.) We will be meeting at the Quail Creek Restaurant for good conversation and tasty food on Sunday, October 30, at 11 AM. Each Solo is responsible for the purchase of their meal. Join us!

*Carol Berg*, Solo Journeyer

### Music at St. Francis

The St. Francis Parish Choir has begun their fall season. If you are interested in joining the choir please get in touch with Gerald (Choirmaster) via email at [gerald@stfranciscvaz.org](mailto:gerald@stfranciscvaz.org). He will be delighted to hear from you. Singers are needed in all sections of the choir, but especially tenors. You are not required to read music or to have extensive background as a vocalist; a decent singing voice and a willingness to learn is all that's required. We will reward you with first-class professional training.

► If you are not a singer, handbells may be for you. Our handbell ensemble—under the direction of Sophia Witte—rehearses on Tuesdays at 10 AM in the Choir Loft. If you can count to four and keep a steady beat, you too can ring. Handbell ringing provides an excellent way of getting involved in worship as well as a great opportunity for fellowship with other parishioners. For more information contact Sophia Witte at [smw\\_witte@yahoo.com](mailto:smw_witte@yahoo.com) or 520-509-5037.

### The Boutique Is Open

St. Francis Boutique is now open following the Sunday service. We have many new decorative fall items, new jewelry and happily still offer unique items made by our very own parishioners—*Pastels* by Jean Schwafel, Knitting by Rita Beil, *Wood Turnings* and beautiful *Photo Cards* by Gloria

and Tom Cadwalader, *St. Francis Note Cards* by Neal Hursh, and *Pottery* by Nancy Child-Hickman. All Boutique profits go directly to the Rector's Discretionary Fund; when you buy in our unique Boutique, you are helping those in need in the Green Valley community. Shopping is so easy—grab your coffee and come see! Managers and volunteers of the Boutique are Wendy Hill, Jylene Wright, Carol Vleck, and Annette Leibovitch. *Jylene*

## Great Musicals Movie Night

### BROADWAY ON THE BIG SCREEN

Join us on Friday, October 28 for another screening of one of the great movie musicals, hand-picked by St. Francis Director of Music Gerald Near. Gerald will give a brief talk about the musical beforehand, complete with interesting facts and even a few musical examples.

We will follow the summer 'Dinner and a Movie' model with potluck supper and fellowship at 5 PM.

## Prayer Chain

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

## 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.

## Hearts & Hands

If you enjoy shopping then you will love the October HEARTS AND HANDS project. The Hearts and Hands team is collaborating with the GV Fire Department to fill gift bags for our neighbors who are confined to their homes. On Sunday, October 2, and on all the Sundays

in October, team members will help you sign up for a bag. You can use your imagination, but when you pick up your bag you will also get a list of items that have been requested and that we know our friends are not usually able to purchase. Bring your filled bags to church and we'll take them to the Fire Department for delivery. Our goal is 75 bags this year.

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

Our next class on the life and thought of the great Christian apologist C.S. Lewis will be held Monday, October 24, at 2 PM in the Parish Hall. We will be looking at Lewis' essay *Transposition*, the fourth 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.

## Stewardship Ministry

### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The St. Francis in the Valley's 2023 Stewardship campaign, GRATITUDE IN GIVING, is gearing-up, but we need some extra help from YOU. At this time, all committee members are also members of the Vestry. We would like and need non-vestry parishioners to participate as well.

The only requirements are an interest in St. Francis in the Valley's financial health and a desire to participate in this important ministry. Please contact me (206-259-0361 or [emmymex@yahoo.com](mailto:emmymex@yahoo.com)), Fr. Warren, or Julie Reppenhagen for more information or to ask a question. *Marybeth Bates*



## Kino Border Initiative

Just recently 462 people were provided a hot meal at KBI's EL COMEDOR. Recipients line up early in the day in anticipation of what might be their only meal of the day. Plastic containers continue to be in great demand, since many of the recipients do not have access to facilities. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

## Some Music Notes

Samuel Sebastian Wesley, composer of the anthem sung at the Offertory this morning, was the son of composer Samuel Wesley (just for the sake of confusion) and grandson of the leader of the Methodist movement, Charles Wesley. (Charles was also famous as a hymn writer, having authored such hits as *Hark! the herald angels sing* and *Christ, whose glory fills the skies*.) Samuel Sebastian is best known for several anthems considered classics in the Anglican tradition, as well as a few hymn tunes, of which *Aurelia* is the all-time favorite; we sing it to *The Church's one foundation*.

There's usually some confusion when it comes to the authorship of hymns. For example, both Charles Wesley and his grandson S.S. Wesley (as Samuel Sebastian is best known) are referred to as 'hymn writers.' And so they are, but not in the same sense: Charles wrote words (and only words) and S.S. wrote music (and only music). S.S. was a composer and Charles was a poet. When you think of *Hark! the herald angels sing* you probably have a tune running through your head (affectionately known as an 'ear worm'). That tune has a name: it's *Mendelssohn* (named for its composer Felix Mendelssohn). All hymn tunes have a name; you can find a list of those included in our Hym-

nal on pages 949-953. It's a long list, but there are many, many more.

The Offertory anthem this morning is one of S.S.'s most famous. It's taken from a larger work in a form known as the 'Verse Anthem.' *Lead me, Lord* is one of those pieces most choirs sing, including ours.

## True Concord Concert

Our friends at TRUE CONCORD VOICES AND ORCHESTRA will be singing their next Green Valley concert here at St. Francis on Friday, November 4, at 7 PM. Gerald has tickets (general admission only) priced at \$27. That's world-class music making at bargain basement prices. Tickets (including premium seating) are also available through True Concord's website: [trueconcord.org](http://trueconcord.org).

## 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.

## Relief for Ukrainian Refugees

Episcopal Relief and Development is working with The Convocation of Episcopal Churches in Europe, the Diocese of Europe, the Anglican Alliance and United Society Partners in the Gospel as the churches prepare to mobilize on potential immediate and long-term responses to assist Ukrainian refugees in Poland, Romania, Hungary and other parts of Europe. Donations to Episcopal Relief and Development's Ukraine Crisis Response Fund (<https://support.episcopal-relief.org/ukraineresponse>) will help the organization and its partners continue to provide assistance to people displaced by the crisis in Ukraine.

## 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.

## 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.

## Green Valley/Sahuarita Food Bank

Thank you for supporting the targeted food collections during the summer. Your generosity is amazing and valued. Though HEARTS AND HANDS is launching new projects, our community friends still need food. Please continue to bring food each Sunday.

We need volunteers to pick up the food each Sunday and deliver these gifts to the Food Bank on Continental during the week. Think about signing up for just one month for this task. There are always folks to load St. Francis food gifts into your car and there is always someone at the Food Bank to unload. Email [behook@aol.com](mailto:behook@aol.com) to tell me what month you would like to volunteer. *Barb*

## ST. FRANCIS FINANCIALS AT A GLANCE

### September Member Giving

A. Pledge: \$20,900

B. Non-Pledge: \$5,603

C. Plate: \$535

Total Giving Income Received: \$27,038

Budgeted Giving September Income:  
\$30,950

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