



Saint Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church

Green Valley, Arizona

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 26 JUNE 2022

ORGAN PRELUDE

Beautiful Savior

Charles W. Ore, b. 1936

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

OPENING HYMN 537

1. Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with loving zeal;
the poor, and them that mourn,
the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn,
whom Christ doth heal.

2. Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost
from dark despair.

3. Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with one accord;
with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear,
for Christ our Lord.

4. Christ for the world we sing!
The world to Christ we bring
with joyful song;
the new-born souls, whose days,
reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong.

THE OPENING SENTENCE

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

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

Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord.

People *Amen.*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO

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

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

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

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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 First Book of Kings (19:15-16, 19-21).

The LORD said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place."

So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he

boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM (16) *Please respond at the half-verse*

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| 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; * I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other." | 7 I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; * my heart teaches me, night after night. |
| 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, * upon those who are noble among the people. | 8 I have set the LORD always before me; * because he is at my right hand I shall not fall. |
| 3 But those who run after other gods * shall have their troubles multiplied. | 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; * my body also shall rest in hope. |
| 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, * nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. | 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, * nor let your holy one see the Pit. |
| 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; * it is you who uphold my lot. | 11 You will show me the path of life; * in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. |
| 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; * indeed, I have a goodly heritage. | |

The Second Lesson

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians (5:1, 13-25).

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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 (9:51-62).

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another

said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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 IV)

The People may stand, sit, or kneel

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.

Silence may be kept.

Lector 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 309

1. O Food to pilgrims given,
O Bread of life from heaven,
O Manna from on high!
We hunger; Lord, supply us,
nor thy delights deny us,
whose hearts to thee draw nigh.

2. O stream of love past telling,
O purest fountain, welling
from out the Savior's side!
We faint with thirst; revive us,
of thine abundance give us,
and all we need provide.

3. O Jesus, by thee bidden,
we here adore thee, hidden
in forms of bread and wine.
Grant when the veil is riven,
we may behold, in heaven,
thy countenance divine.

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 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 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...
...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,

continued

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 551

1. Rise up, ye saints of God!
Have done with lesser things,
give heart and soul and mind and strength
to serve the King of kings.

2. Rise up, ye saints of God!
His kingdom tarries long:
Lord, bring the day of truth and love
and end the night of wrong.

3. Lift high the cross of Christ!
Tread where his feet have trod;
and quickened by the Spirit's power,
rise up, ye saints of God!

THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Gordon Young, 1919-98

Postlude on 'Hymn to Joy'

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.

Smile!

Summer Photo Sessions

If you haven't had a chance to have your photo taken for our new church directory, and you are spending your summer here in

Green Valley, there's still time, and we can't wait to see you. During the summer months photo appointments will be available one Sunday a month following our church service. You can schedule a photo session for July 17, or August 14 by emailing Lou Terry at thirdangell@cox.net. To all of you who have had your photos taken for the new directory, thank you, the pictures are fabulous!

This Week at St. Francis

Today	Photo Directory Sessions Meeting Room 2
Monday, 9a	Morning Prayer, Chapel
Wednesday, 9a	Holy Eucharist, Chapel
Thursday, 4p	Solo Journeymen, Parish Hall
Sunday, 9a	Holy Eucharist

Exploring the Life and Thought of C.S. Lewis

Our third class on the life and thought of the great Christian apologist C.S. Lewis will be *tentatively* held on Thursday, July 28, at 2 PM in the Parish Hall. We will be looking at Lewis' essay *On Obstinacy In Belief*, chapter two in the collection *THE WORLD'S LAST NIGHT and Other Essays*. 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 and he will get more information to you. You are also welcome to attend even if you haven't done your homework.

Prayer Chain

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

Vacation Bible School

July 11-15, 8:45 AM to 11:30 AM, Grades 1-5

We are in need of volunteers, donations of various items, and prayers. We ask for prayers that we have enough volunteers and that we have a number of children attending, whose ears and hearts are open to the story of Jesus. Please check out our Information Table in the Parish Hall following June worship services. Questions? Call or email Sophia Witte, 520-509-5037 (smw_witte@yahoo.com) or Tisha Stril, 425-524-3123, (tishastril@gmail.com).

Prison Ministry

Please stop by the Prison Ministry table in the Parish Hall during coffee hour this morning. There will be hearts for Camp Genesis/Chapel Rock campers. Choose a heart and pledge to pray for the child for one year,

until June 2023. There are limited number of hearts available. *Rena Robbins*

Solo Journeyers

We're having a pizza/getting acquainted party on Thursday, June 30, from 4 to 7 PM in the St. Francis Parish Hall. So, mark your calendars and be sure to sign up today after the morning service. You don't want to miss it!

Valley Assistance

Mix and Mingle Luncheon

A luncheon get-together for seniors, sponsored by Valley Assistance, will be held in the St. Francis Parish Hall on Wednesday, July 20, at NOON. We will be serving a light lunch (soup, salad, bread, and dessert.)

Our SOLO JOURNEYERS are invited too. To RSVP, please contact Sandy Eckstein (seckste2@gmail.com or 410-808-3881) before Thursday, July 14. (Drivers will be needed too.) Sign up will be after services today and Sundays July 3 and 10.

Kino Border Initiative

Just recently over 500 people were provided food at Kino's COMEDOR in containers our members have provided. The numbers fluctuate, but never diminish much. Recipients are prompted to wash out the containers for reuse, but some do not have access to clean water. So, please keep the containers coming. They are greatly appreciated.

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.

Hearts and Hands

Help a neighbor facing hunger. There's a critical need for canned stews, chili, and hearty soups along with canned tuna or chicken. For the month of June, the *Hearts and Hands* committee will be collecting these items for the Sahuarita Food Bank and Community Resource Center.

Please place your donations in the baskets designated for the Food Bank. Thank you for your generosity.

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.episcopalrelief.org/ukraineresponse>) will help the organization and its partners continue to provide assistance to people displaced by the crisis in Ukraine.

Dinner and A Movie

Our next Summer of 2022 DINNER AND A MOVIE night will be Friday, July 29, at 5 PM in the Parish Hall. (Movie to be determined.) The dinner part is pot-luck, 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!)

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