



Saint Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church

Green Valley, Arizona

The Very Rev. Dr. Warren Leibovitch, Rector
The Rev. Becky Williamson, Deacon
The Rev. Linda Hutson, Deacon

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO **THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST** 9 JUNE 2024

ORGAN PRELUDE

Johann Gott. Walther, 1684-1748

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING HYMN 390

1. Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
join the great throng,
psaltery, organ, and song,
sounding in glad adoration.
2. Praise to the Lord; over all things he gloriously reigneth:
borne as on eagle-wings, safely his saints he sustaineth.
Hast thou not seen
how all thou needest hath been
granted in what he ordaineth?
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee;
ponder anew
what the Almighty can do,
who with his love doth befriend thee.
4. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath come now with praises before him!
Let the amen
sound from his people again;
gladly for ever adore him.

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

○ God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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 *Please be seated.*

A Reading from the Book of Genesis (3:8-15).

They heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden at the time of the evening breeze, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. But the LORD God called to the man, and said to him, "Where are you?" He said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself." He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the

tree, and I ate.” Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.” The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this, cursed are you among all animals and among all wild creatures; upon your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life. I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers; he will strike your head, and you will strike his heel.”

Reader *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

THE PSALM (130) *Please respond at the half-verse*

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| 1 Out of the depths have I called to you,
O LORD; LORD, hear my voice; * let
your ears consider well the voice of
my supplication. | 5 My soul waits for the LORD, more
than watchmen for the morning, *
more than watchmen for the morn-
ing. |
| 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is
done amiss, * O LORD, who could
stand? | 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, * for with
the Lord there is mercy; |
| 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
therefore you shall be feared. | 7 With him there is plenteous redemp-
tion, * and he shall redeem Israel
from all their sins. |
| 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for
him; * in his word is my hope. | |

The Second Lesson

A Reading from the Second Letter of Paul to the Corinthians (4:13—5:1).

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—“I believed, and so I spoke” —we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal.

For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Reader *The Word of the Lord.*

People *Thanks be to God.*

GRADUAL HYMN 671

1. Amazing grace! how sweet the sound,
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost but now am found,
was blind but now I see.
2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!
3. The Lord has promised good to me,
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.
4. Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.
5. When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

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

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark (3:20-35).

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

"Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin"— for they had said, "He has an unclean spirit."

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, "Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you." And he replied, "Who are my mother and my brothers?" And looking at those who sat around him, he said, "Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON The Very 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 *The People may stand, sit, or kneel*
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

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

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

Almighty God, source of all wisdom and understanding: Look graciously on your
church, and so guide the hearts and minds of those who will choose our next presid-
ing bishop, that we may receive a faithful pastor who will care for all your people,
equip us for our ministries, and proclaim your word to us and to the world, through
Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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.

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.

Celebrant 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)*

Prelude on the tune 'New Britain'

AT THE PRESENTATION

Celebrant God our refuge and our strength, receive all we offer you this day,
and through the death and resurrection of your Son transform us to his
likeness. We ask this in his name.

People Amen.

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.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your
image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and
Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever
sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The people may stand, sit, or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love
which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling
of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the
prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your
Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from
the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy
to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error
into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Francis and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

Celebrant And now, as our Savior
Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Together Our Father, who art in heaven...
...for ever and ever. Amen.

AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God.
Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

All baptized Christians are invited to receive the Sacrament of Holy Communion. The elements are offered at the Communion Rail and may be received either kneeling or standing. Wine is received by intinction only. If you would like to receive a blessing only, simply cross your arms over your chest. After receiving Communion, if you would like personal prayers for yourself or others, members of the Order of the Daughters of the King (DOK) will be available in the Chapel to pray with and for you.

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 488

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| 1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
all else be nought to me,
save that thou art—
thou my best thought, by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light. | thou my great Father; thine own may I be;
thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee. |
| 2. Be thou my wisdom,
and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; | 3. High King of heaven,
when victory is won,
may I reach heaven's joys,
bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all. |

THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Michael McCabe, b. 1941

Trumpet Tune in C

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 (frwarren@stfrancisgvaz.org). Please take a moment 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.

Attention Home Tour Veterans

WE NEED YOUR HELP

We're planning an event to replace the old, profitable TOUR OF HOMES and we need your knowledge and expertise. If you ever worked the Tour of Homes, please send an email to Lou Terry, Clerk of Vestry, at thirdangell@cox.net. We're not trying to trick you into volunteering for this new, exciting project—we just want to pick your brain. If, however, you get to be as excited about our new project as we are and want to help we will welcome you with open arms.

Daughters of the King

The Rev. Judy Turberg, Chaplain of the Clare Chapter of the Order of the DAUGHTERS OF THE KING (DOK), will be holding an information-and-organization meeting for any women interested in finding out more about the Order, or already seeking to join. We will meet at 10:30 AM in the St. Francis Room on Wednesday, June 19.

As there is a twelve-session program of study and reflection prior to admission to the Order, we will set the schedule for our sessions at this meeting according to the availability of those interested. For further

information or questions, please contact Rev. Turberg at judy.turberg@gmail.com or 714-504-3798.

Social Activities Spring Events

The Social Activities Team (SAT) is once again planning our Movie Potluck suppers on Friday, June 28, Friday, July 26, and Friday, August 30. Keep an eye on your Sunday service leaflets and News from the Pews for more information.

If you'd like to help out with any of our activities, or like to recommend a movie, contact, Tisha Stril at tishastril@gmail.com or Julie Reppenhagen at jrepp@snet.net. SAT looks forward to seeing you all.

Heart & Hands Ministries

► **FOOD BANKS:** The food bank is requesting peanut butter (no glass or very large jars, please) for the month of June. You can deposit your peanut butter donations in the boxes outside the Parish Hall, one at the front door and another at the south door near the Chapel. Your offerings will be blessed on the first Sunday of each month.

► **THE SAHUARITA FOOD BANK** collects cardboard—that includes cereal box styles as well as clean milk cartons. The receptacle is located on the south side of the Food Bank, beside the Good Shepherd Church on La Cañada.

► Please deposit reusable grocery bags and Dollar store bags in the KINO box in the Donations room. These bags will be put to good use by people returning home to Mexico. They could also use travel-sized hygiene products, especially bar soap.

► **EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT:** the budgeted \$500 donation will be sent for **WOMEN'S HELP** projects. The \$500 will be

doubled by the Episcopal Relief and Development project.

▶ YOUTH ON THEIR OWN: \$100 donation will help buy food for their pantry.

▶ PRISON MINISTRY: \$100 donation was given to AROVET and SECOND CHANCE TUCSON.

▶ Remember, donations of money are always welcome for any of our ministries—simply write your check payable to St. Francis with the ministry name in the memo line and we'll take care of the rest. Drop your check in the Offering Basket on Sunday morning or drop it off at the Parish Office during the week.

▶ And most importantly—if you have a Passion for a Ministry—bring your voice to a Heart and Hands meeting the third Monday of the month at 10 o'clock in Meeting Room 2 across the hall from the Library. A special THANK YOU to Joyce Davison who has volunteered to be the meeting coordinator during the summer.

Green Team Tip

Tis the season of warmer days and cost saving free solar energy. An indoor clothesline or drying rack is an easy way to let nature take its course. It also helps your clothes last long and will save on your energy bill. As Franciscans let's care for creation together.

This Week at St. Francis

Wednesday, 9a Holy Eucharist, Chapel
Wednesday, 10a DOK, Vulliamy Room

Parish Newsletter Deadline

Copy for the July/August issue of the Parish Newsletter—THE FRANCISCAN STAFF—will be due by Monday, June 10, 2024. Please send your copy—via email—to gerald@st-franciscgvaz.org in Word doc format, or sim-

ply type it into the body of your email submission. Tip: Please avoid using '&' for *and*, and '@' for *at*—use the actual words—and lots of !!!! is kind of ugly.

Music Notes

The meticulous organization of the HYMNAL 1982 we investigated last week is—apart from the fact that, otherwise, you wouldn't be able to find anything—geared to assisting those of us responsible for planning the musical elements of the liturgy. Such planning always involves, as a first order of business, consulting the LITURGICAL CALENDAR, bypassing entirely personal preferences and prejudices. For example: although we are accustomed, in our desacralized modern society, to hearing Christmas carols from before Halloween until Christmas Eve, we don't sing them in church *until* Christmas Eve, at least not in the liturgical church. It's not personal preference that so orders our musical/liturgical life, but, rather, adherence to the liturgical calendar. *Gerald*

Altar Flowers

Would you like the flowers on the altar to be given in thanksgiving or in remembrance of someone or something you cherish? 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.

Ongoing Need

We are looking for crucifers, acolytes, servers, and Altar Guild members, and the need is great and urgent. If you have experience in any of these areas of service, please consider stepping up to help. If you haven't experience but are willing to learn, we will be delighted

to train you. Questions? Get in touch with Fr. Warren and let him know of your interest.

A Note from your Treasurer

MAY 2024 FINANCIAL RESULTS

Operating Income	Actual	Budget
	\$33,067	\$41,511

Operating Expenses	Actual	Budget
	\$55,551	\$48,851

YEAR TO DATE

Operating Income	Actual	Budget
	\$282,325	\$276,030

Operating Expenses	Actual	Budget
	\$297,937	\$278,605

Values include the Annual Trust Allocation and exclude Capital Project Income and Expense.

Have you ever wondered about the impact of our online presence? There are on average 41 households joining us for Sunday Worship with an additional 18 households watching the service at a later day during that week. If you assume there are two persons in each household we are bringing our services to an additional 100+ persons every week. What a blessing for those unable to physically attend and for St. Francis to have them join us. *Gloria Cadwalader*, Parish Treasurer

Forward Day by Day

Daily devotion booklets for May, June, and July 2024 are now available in the Parish Hall and Parish Office.

Prayer Chain

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

Prayer Requests

Remembering those in need of our prayers: Henry Witte, Bob Vint, Sr., Kelly Davis, San-

dra Findley, Shirley Underwood, Frank Brown, Delilah Wegrzyn, Tom Moorhead, Elaine & Paul Deysenroth, Jean Schwafel, Jason Camp, Roger Williams, Ellen Sax, Joshua & Chaya Hexter, Jim Ravenelle, The Rev. Pat Kirk, Ann Zublin, Kyle Davison, Bob Hutson, Haley Hutson, Alan Hyde, Kyle Davison, Will, and Carolyn, Stephen North, Debra Vint.

Remembering those who have died: Richard Brown.

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