



SAINT FRANCIS IN THE VALLEY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Green Valley, Arizona

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE TWO THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 13 JULY 2025

ORGAN PRELUDE

Antonio Vivaldi, 1675-1741

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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.*

Together 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. Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO (Glory to God)

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

Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson (*Please be seated*)

A Lesson from the Book of Deuteronomy (30:9-14).

Moses said to the people of Israel, "The LORD your God will make you abundantly prosperous in all your undertakings, in the fruit of your body, in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your soil. For the LORD will again take delight in prospering you, just as he delighted in prospering your ancestors, when you obey the LORD your God by observing his commandments and decrees that are written in this book of the law, because you turn to the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

"Surely, this commandment that I am commanding you today is not too hard for you, nor is it too far away. It is not in heaven, that you should say, 'Who will go up to heaven for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' Neither

is it beyond the sea, that you should say, 'Who will cross to the other side of the sea for us, and get it for us so that we may hear it and observe it?' No, the word is very near to you; it is in your mouth and in your heart for you to observe."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

THE PSALM (25:1-9) *Please respond after the asterisk.*

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| 1 To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you; * let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me. | 6 Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions; * remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD. |
| 2 Let none who look to you be put to shame; * let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes. | 7 Gracious and upright is the LORD; * therefore he teaches sinners in his way. |
| 3 Show me your ways, O LORD, * and teach me your paths. | 8 He guides the humble in doing right * and teaches his way to the lowly. |
| 4 Lead me in your truth and teach me, * for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long. | 9 All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness * to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies. |
| 5 Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love, * for they are from everlasting. | |

THE SECOND LESSON

A Lesson from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians (1:1-14).

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to

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him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN 609, stanzas 1-3

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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. | from paths where hide the lures of greed,
we catch the vision of thy tears. |
| 2. In haunts of wretchedness and need,
on shadowed thresholds dark with fears, | 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. |

THE GOSPEL *(please stand, as you are able)*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke (10:25-37).

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.' Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Reader The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

HYMN 609, stanzas 4-5

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 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 IV) *The people may stand, sit, or kneel*

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 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 gratefully acknowledge the Native Peoples on whose ancestral homelands we gather:

We pay our respects to the Pasqua Yaqui and Tohono O'odham, as well as the diverse and vibrant Native communities who make their home here today.

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)*

AT THE OFFERTORY

Sicilian Mariners

Jakob Quadflieg, 1854-1915

AT THE PRESENTATION

Celebrant Source of all life, the heaven and earth are yours,
yet you have given us dominion over all things.
Receive the symbols of our labor and love which we offer you this day,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

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. 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 Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN 344

1. Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, thy love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace:
O refresh us, O refresh us
traveling through this wilderness.

2. Thanks we give and adoration
for thy Gospel's joyful sound:
may the fruits of thy salvation

in our hearts and lives abound:
ever faithful, ever faithful
to thy truth may we be found;

3. so that when thy love shall call us,
Savior, from the world away,
fear of death shall not appall us,
glad thy summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
reign with thee in endless day.

THE DISMISSAL

ORGAN POSTLUDE

Charles-Marie Widor, 1844-1937

Symphony III: Alla Marcia

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 or get in touch with him via email at frwarren@stfranciscgvaz.org. Please take a moment to fill out a visitor card and hand it to an usher or one of the clergy, or place it in the offering basket. We would love to hear from you.

Summer Social Activities

Happy Summer and plan to join us for our monthly FRIDAY NIGHT MOVIE POTLUCKS.

Our movie season opened with the well-received *Conclave*. We are now taking signups for the July movie (yet to be announced). The dates for the movie Potlucks are:

Friday, July 26, at 5 PM

Friday, August 29, at 5PM

Friday, September 26, at 5 PM - Gerald's secret musical.

If you have a special movie you'd like to recommend, contact Tisha Strill at tishastrill@stfranciscgvaz.org.

[gmail.com](mailto:stfranciscgvaz@gmail.com). And plan on bringing your favorite potluck, salad, vegetable, main dish or dessert! The potlucks are held in the Parish Hall. Signup after church in the Parish Hall or in the Parish office during the week.

Plan to be with us for a fun summer evening and bring some friends along, too!

This Week at St. Francis

Tuesday, 9p

Wednesday, 9a

Saturday, 9a

Men's Group, Conf Rm

Holy Eucharist, Chapel

Creation Care Council.
Vulliamy Room

Next Sunday

Next Sunday, after the final Hymn and Postlude, our intrepid organist Michael Case invites you to pop up to the Choir Loft (there's an elevator if 'popping' is not your thing) for a 'Meet the Organ' session. Michael will be telling you a bit about the history of the instrument and demonstrating some of its many fascinating gadgets. See you then!

Bible Study

Mike Kuebler will be leading a Bible Study starting October 7 and running through No-

vember 18. The class will cover the Gospel of Luke and the Book of Acts. Classes will be held in the Parish Hall and will start at 10:30 AM and end at NOON each day. You can call Mike at 520-907-7204 if you have any questions.

To enroll in the class please email Megan McAllister (megan@stfranciscgvaz.org). Please include your name, email address, and Telephone Number.

Milestone Anniversary

Next year, 2026, St. Francis in the Valley will celebrate 60 years of being Christ's heart and hands in Green Valley and the world. In an era when nothing seems to last, it is appropriate that we commemorate all that we have achieved in those sixty years. A group consisting of Paula Altamirano (publicity), Gloria Cadwalader (audiovisual), Joyce Davison (historical), Reg Kahrimanis (worship/music/speakers), Carla Loesch (finance/fundraising), Jill Mulligan (volunteers), Trisha Stril (social events) and Lou Terry (committee coordinator) is already making plans for monthly activities highlighting significant events in St. Francis' history. Your ideas are welcomed. Feel free to contact any member of the group with suggestions. If you would like to help, talk with Jill Mulligan, volunteer coordinator.

Prison Ministry

A MESSAGE FROM REV CANON KIM CRECCA

I have some wonderful photos of the kids opening their prayer heart cards. Little Mireya asked me, "How do they know my name?" And I told her that I had a friend who asked people to pray for her by her first name. Her response, "And they did? Every day?" Which I confirmed. Her next comment, "All of these people prayed for ME every

day?" "Yes, they did!" "Wow, and they don't even know me."

Other campers cried when they read the cards/notes included with their prayer hearts. Trinaty (formerly Threnaty) said to me, "No wonder I felt better this year. I could feel their love."

This program had one of the biggest impacts on these kids out of everything we did. The volunteers/chaplains were amazed how much the cards/hearts meant to these kids and I hope you'll have even more groups wanting to participate this year!

Blessings, *Kim*

Heart and Hands

► **FOOD BANKS:** The food bank is requesting canned meat products, vegetables, fruits, soups, and tomato products (low sodium, if possible). You can deposit your peanut butter donations in the boxes inside the Parish Hall, one at the front door and another at the south door near the Chapel.

► **SR. JOSE'S WOMEN'S SHELTER** is in need of Summer Shorts and Athletic Shoes. The shelter also accepts donations of small packets of personal hygiene products such as toothpaste and deodorant. Sometimes this type of packet is given at hotels. You can drop off these items in the box in the donations room off the Parish Hall when you go for coffee and cookies. Sue Spiewak will bring them to the shelter.

A Gift of Flowers

If you would like to give a gift of flowers to be placed on the High Altar in memory of loved ones or in thanksgiving for many blessings, please get in touch with Deborah at the Parish Office (520-625-1370 or, via email, deborah@stfranciscgvaz.org) and let

her know of your interest. Flower donation is \$35.

Forward Day by Day

Daily devotional booklets for May, June, and July 2025, are now available in the Parish Office and Parish Hall.

Prayer Chain

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

Prayer Requests

Remembering those in need of our prayers: Kelly Davis, Shirley Underwood, Frank Brown, Delilah Wegrzyn, Tom Moorhead, Elaine & Paul Deysenroth, Jean Schwafel, Joshua & Chaya Hexter, Jim Ravenelle, Bob Hutson, Haley Hutson, Carolyn, Jerry Lounsberry, Sue, Bonnie Haifley, Laura Thomas, Eva Jenkins, Joanne Wolfe Sprague, Marion Lewald, Jill Lebar, Isaac Garcia, John Angell, Tomi Adams, Stephen North, Rick Johnson, Craig, Sue Girardeau, Jill Mulligan, Connie Nord.

Remembering those who have died: pray for those who have died.

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