



SAINT FRANCIS IN THE VALLEY EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
Green Valley, Arizona

The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe, Interim Rector  
The Rev. Pamela W. Hyde, Assistant Rector

THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST

1 September 2019  
Rite Two, at 8 and 10 AM

**ORGAN PRELUDE** Ernest Tomlinson, 1924-2015  
*Andante semplice*

**OPENING HYMN 390**  
*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

**OPENING SENTENCES** Prayer Book 355

*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. **Amen.**

*at 8 o'clock*

**TRISAGION**

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

*People:* **Have mercy upon us.**

*at 10 o'clock*

**GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO** Hymnal S280

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

**L**ord of all power and might, the author and Giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

**THE FIRST READING**

*In our First Reading hearers are counseled not to be too forward in the presence of the king or among the high ranking. It is better to be noticed and selected for a social honor than to seek for advancement and meet with rejection. A Reading from the Book of Proverbs (25:6-7).*

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

**THE PSALM (112)**

*(Please respond following the asterisk.)*

- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \* and have great delight in his commandments!
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \* the generation of the upright will be blessed.
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, \* and their righteousness will last for ever.
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \* the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.
- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \* and to manage their affairs with justice.

- 6 For they will never be shaken; \* the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \* their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, \* until they see their desire upon their enemies.
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, \* and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor.
- 10 The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; \* the desires of the wicked will perish.

#### THE SECOND READING

*In our Second Reading Christians are urged to live moral, hospitable, and charitable lives, recalling the faith and examples of their leaders, but especially the unchanging Jesus. A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews (13:1-8, 15-16).*

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

*Lector:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

#### Gradual Hymn 321

*My, thy table now is spread*

#### The Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**THE SERMON** The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe

*Please stand as you are able*

**THE NICENE CREED** Prayer Book 358

**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**

*Lector:* Our hearts cleave to you, O Lord our Maker; so save us from self-preoccupation and foolish pride that we may have a right sense of our dependence in all matters and for all things:

*People:* **Happy are they that fear the Lord.**

*Lector:* Establish us in the disciplines of mutual love that we may show hospitality, care for

the oppressed, honor our relationships, eschew the love of money, and ground ourselves in the confidence which comes only through knowing Christ our Savior:

*People:* **The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid.**

*Lector:* Teach humility to those that serve the State, remembering our President, Congress, Supreme Court, and military; and to those who serve the Church, remembering especially that all might strive first for the well-being of those over whom they hold authority:

*People:* **Light will shine in the darkness for the upright.**

*Lector:* We intercede for the mission endeavors and ministries of this parish; that the counsels of your Spirit would shape us in the building of your Body through the world:

*People:* **The righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

*Lector:* Sustain and bless our laity in all their ministries and efforts begun, continued and inspired in you. Make all their service to be strong, and bring them continuing joy in tasks completed and work well-done:

*People:* **The righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**

*Lector:* Comfort and restore our sick, remembering especially those for whom we now pray (*the people may offer their petitions*), that they may know your saving help:

**Their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.**

*Lector:* Through Christ, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his Name, and lives that do not neglect just pursuits, sharing what we have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God:

**Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.**

## CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

*Deacon:* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. *(The People may stand or kneel.)*

*People:* **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*The Bishop when present, or the Priest, 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.

*People:* **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.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE OFFERTORY** Thomas Arne, 1701-78  
*Sonata No. 7: Allegro*

## THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

All things come of thee, O Lord,  
**and of thine own have we given thee.**

## 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:* Exalted above all is your name...  
...as we join the unending hymn.

*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 or kneel.)*

*Celebrant:* Transforming God...  
...in remembrance of me."  
Great is the mystery of faith.

*People:* **Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

*Celebrant:* Inviting God...  
...heavenly Father, radiant in glory.

*People:* **AMEN.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

Prayer Book 364

## AT THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

On Receiving Communion: *Our Communion Table is open to all baptized Christians. You may stand or kneel at the rail to receive the Sacrament. (If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please let one of the clergy know.) If you do not wish to receive Communion you are invited to come forward for a blessing, indicated by crossing your arms over your chest. Members of the Daughters of the King will be at the Chapel rail at both services to administer prayers for healing and thanksgiving. Please go to the Chapel rail after your Communion.*

## 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.**

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

*Celebrant:* Let us Pray.

*People:* **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 RECTOR SEARCH PRAYER**

**Almighty and everliving God, the Father of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, send forth your Holy Spirit to guide the Search Committee, Vestry and parish family of St. Francis in the Valley, to be of one heart and mind in our search for a rector who will be your faithful servant and who will minister to your flock.**

**By your light O Lord, draw to us those with vision and passion for St. Francis' future.**

**Guide them as they discern your call. Raise up for us a faithful pastor, a dynamic preacher of your Gospel, to shepherd us as your flock, strengthen our ministries, and work with us in building up your kingdom.**

**May we strive to be your heart and hands in our parish and be a light of love to all. Amen.**

**THE BLESSING**

**CLOSING HYMN 423**

*Immortal, invisible, God only wise*

**THE DISMISSAL**

**ORGAN POSTLUDE** J.G. Walther, 1684-1748  
*Praise to the Lord*

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in Thanksgiving for his many blessings by Wally & Helen Mullaly.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**I SEPTEMBER 2019**

**TODAY**

**SEPTEMBER 1 – PENTECOST XII**

- 8:00a Holy Eucharist
- 10:00a Holy Eucharist
- 2:00p Russ Symes Memorial
- 3:00p Memorial Reception – Parish Hall

**THIS WEEK**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**

**PARISH OFFICES CLOSED**

**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**

- 9:00a Staff Meeting – Library
- 10:00a Bible Study – St. Francis Room
- 10:30a Vestry Officers – Rector's Office
- 1:00p Stephen Ministry – St. Francis Room, Library, Conference Rm, Vulliamy Rm
- 5:00p Search Committee – Library

**WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

- 9:00a Holy Eucharist – Chapel
- 10:00a Altar Guild – Chapel

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 5**

- 9:00a Finance Committee – Conference Rm
- 10:00a Centering Prayer – Chapel/Conf Room
- 10:00a Women's Group – St. Francis Room
- 12:30p Seekers Discussion Group – Conf Room

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6**

- 8:00a Bulletins – Library

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7**

*No Parish events scheduled.*

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**SEPTEMBER 8 – PENTECOST XIII**

- 8:00a Holy Eucharist
- 10:00a Holy Eucharist

**THIS WEEK AND BEYOND**

**•PLEASE NOTE** – Our Parish Offices will be closed tomorrow, September 2, in observance of the Labor Day national holiday. Offices will reopen Tuesday, September 3 at 8 AM.

•**TRANSFORMATIONAL PSALMS, AND PROVERBS** – Join Fr. Colville at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, September 11, for his session: Proverbs – Consecrated Common Sense.

•**CONFIRMATION** – From the Inquirers' Class, four people have signed up to be confirmed on September 8, at St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Tucson. It's not too late to join them! If you, or someone you know, would like to be confirmed, please speak to me this month so that I may prepare you. *Fr. Colville Smythe*

•**GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** – We are sponsoring a series of Grief Support Groups at St. Francis. The next session will begin on Monday, September 23, and run for five consecutive Mondays from 1:30 -3:30 PM. The group is open to the community, non-denominational, no charge and facilitated by Jeannie North, BSN, MC. If you or anyone you know might be interested in attending, call to register or to obtain additional information: 520-625-1370.

•**CENTERING PRAYER** – Centering Prayer has moved from Sundays at 2 PM to Thursdays at 10:15 AM in the Chapel, followed by tea, light refreshments, and a short video on spiritual topics in the Conference Room. The first Thursday meeting will be September 5, and Centering Prayer will not meet today, Sunday, September 1.

•**STEPHEN MINISTRY** – There will be training for those who wish to become a Stephen Minister that begins on January 3, 2020. The training will be held at Valley Presbyterian Church on Camino del Sol, on Fridays.

If you are interested in learning more please contact one of our Stephen Leaders, Cheryl Tardy-Albin at 520-235-9031 or Mary Beth Bates at 206-259-0361.

We do joint training with other area churches but you would be a Stephen Minister for St. Francis In the Valley. Please give us a call if at all interested.

•**SEND ME THE NEWS!** – Our activities are generating news at St. Francis this summer. Keep up with the latest. Are you receiving our weekly e-newsletter, *News from the Pews*? Don't miss out! (Contact [bethelklein@stfrancisgvaz.org](mailto:bethelklein@stfrancisgvaz.org)) Include your current email address, and tell her, "Beth-el, send me the News!" Don't have email? Pick up a paper copy of *News from the Pews* in the Narthex, or in the Parish Office. *Fr. Colville*

•**LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS** – We are always in need of new LEMs. Come and participate as a Lay Eucharistic Minister in this time-honored tradition, or if you or a loved one would like to request a visit, please contact Deacon Becky Williamson at 480-204-0022 or, via email, at [1beckyw@cox.net](mailto:1beckyw@cox.net). If you would like to train to become a part of this important ministry Becky would be happy to train you and add you to our active visitor list.

•**WRITERS' WORKSHOP** – Writers' Workshop will begin meeting Monday (Labor Day), Sept 2, at 9 AM. Come join us if the idea of writing appeals to you, whether your interest lies in say, autobiography, poetry, or even in the novel or short story. We're a small group, so there will be time to explore the ways a writer might deal with the approach and development of a manuscript. If you're interested, contact Victor Levine at 398-5000 or, via email, [val22@columbia.edu](mailto:val22@columbia.edu).

•**BIBLE/BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** – Please read Chapter Three of the *Daniel* book.

•**OUTREACH FOR SEPTEMBER** – Our Outreach project for September will be gift bags for the elderly distributed to Valley Assistance Services. Starting next Sunday, September 1, gift bags will be available in the Parish Hall complete with lists of items to donate. As always your donations are very much appreciated.

•**BORDER MINISTRY EVENT – REACHING ACROSS THE FENCE** – Peg Bowden, a retired public health nurse living on a ranch in southern Arizona, will

be with us on Wednesday, September 25, to talk about her experiences as a volunteer working at an aid station in Nogales, Sonora, with Green Valley Samaritans. The event, sponsored by the St. Francis Border Ministry, will take place in the Parish Hall from Noon until 1 PM; light refreshments will be served. Plan to join us for this interesting and informative presentation.

•**CRUZANDO FRONTERAS DONATIONS** – Thanks to months and months of generous donations of clothing from St. Francis and all over the diocese as well as a huge shipment of donated clothing. Cruzando Fronteras has plenty of clothes for the asylum-seekers it is sheltering right now. BUT, they do need toiletries, paper products, and specific food items. Specifically, they need: toilet paper • paper towels • laundry soap • body soaps • shampoo • razors • toothpaste (no toothbrushes) • lip balm • feminine hygiene products • peanut butter • jelly • Nutella • snacks for children. Collection boxes are in the southeast corner of the Parish Hall.

As always, funds are also a priority need. Some of the supplies for the shelters can't be transported across the border so can only be purchased in Mexico. If you can provide monetary assistance, donate through the Cruzando Fronteras webpage at [fronteras.azdiocese.org](http://fronteras.azdiocese.org), or drop a check made out to St. Francis with "Cruzando Fronteras" in the memo line in the offering basket or at the Parish Office.

•**SEEKERS DISCUSSION GROUP** – The Seekers Group has returned to the series of lectures presented by Dr. Bart Ehrman. These are the last lectures in the series *From Christ to Constantine*. We meet from 12:30 to 2 PM every Thursday in the Conference Room. Everyone is welcome to visit or join this group. It's open discussion and you need not be a theologian or specially educated person.

•**NEED A RIDE TO A PARISH EVENT?** – Our Men's Group offers rides to those in need of transportation to Parish events. If you are unable to provide your own transport and would like to schedule a lift, call the Parish Office, 625-1370.

•**SPIRITUAL DIRECTION** – We are fortunate to have professional individual Spiritual Direction available to us at St. Francis. For an appointment please call Charlotte Neyland at 720-289-2750.

•**PRAYER CHAIN** — For Prayer Chain requests contact Jim Ratley at 253-365-5093 or, via email, at [jjnrats@gmail.com](mailto:jjnrats@gmail.com).

•**HOME COMMUNION** – If you or someone you know would like to have a home visit or the Sacrament brought to you at home, please let Deacon Becky Williamson know by calling her at 480-204-0022 (or via email at [1beckyw@cox.net](mailto:1beckyw@cox.net)). We are happy to bring the Sacrament to those who are ill or to anyone unable to attend services for any reason.

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

•**THE DIOCESE OF ARIZONA** – St. Andrew's, Nogales

•**ST. FRANCIS MINISTRIES** – Finance Committee

•**PRAY FOR THOSE SUFFERING IN MIND, BODY AND SPIRIT:** Mason Fletcher, Marleen Bell, Cindy Griffith, Gordon Pixley, Kathi Grier, Stephanie Huszar, Elizabeth Haight, Francisco Zacarias & Family, Linda Pantoja, Bart DallaMura, Jackie Springer

•**FOR ALL THOSE SERVING IN HARM'S WAY:** Mike Davis, Matthew Day, Issac Noone, Chase Helgeson, Jackson Vaughn

•**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** Russell Symes

*Our mission is to live as Christ's heart and hands in the world.*

**PARTICIPANTS AT 8 O'CLOCK**

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe  
Celebrant: The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe  
Deacon: The Rev. Becky Williamson  
Lector: BrandE Faupell  
Prayers of the People: Susan Davis  
Acolyte: Wayne North  
Ushers: Linda & Dick Kosnick  
Greeters: Bill & Marie Miller  
Organist: Michael Case  
Sound Technician: Marie LeRoy

**PARTICIPANTS AT 10 O'CLOCK**

Preacher: The Rev. Canon Colville Smythe  
Celebrant: The Rev. Pamela W. Hyde  
Deacon: The Rev. Becky Williamson  
Lector: Margaret Sampson  
Prayers of the People: Reg Kahrimanis  
Crucifer: David Dunn  
Acolyte: Sylvia Smythe  
Ushers: Bud & Marsha Tripp  
Greeters: Virginia & Don Scott,  
Chris Arundell  
Organist: Michael Case  
Sound Technician: Craig Jones

**W**e extend a warm welcome to our guests and visitors and we are delighted to have you worship with us. Our Communion Table is open to all baptized Christians. Please join us for refreshments in the Parish Hall after the service, and please complete the Visitor's Card found in the pew racks and place it in an Offering Basket or hand it to an Usher or Greeter after the service.

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J. Michael Case, *Organist*

John Colip, *Head Sexton*

Sue Whitney, Henry Ramirez,

Clyde Tardy, Clarke Green

*Sextons*

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday  
8 AM – NOON

**THE VESTRY**

Wayne North, Senior Warden; Julie Reppenhagen, Junior Warden;  
Mary Beth Bates, David Dunn, Sandy Eckstein, Larry Howell, Orji Isiogu,  
Jenica Hisko, Sandy Russell, Helen Mullaly, Cheryl Tardy-Albin;  
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