ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two August 24, 2025 ~ 8:30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m. Celebrant: The Rev. Doug Graul



Our mission at St. Francis of Assisi is to love, grow and serve.





St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church Welcoming All God's Children!

Guests and Newcomers

We are delighted you are worshiping with us today! We encourage you to complete a Welcome to St. Francis of Assisi Pew Card. There is contact information for the Church with a tear-off portion so we can learn more about how we may serve you. Please place the completed tear-off portion of the card in the alms basin.

CLERGY AND STAFF:

The Rt. Rev. Daniel P. Richards, Bishop

The Rev. Doug Graul, Rector

The Rev. Deacon Ann F. Pilat, Deacon for Hispanic Ministries

Mrs. Rebecca Christmas, Church Administrator

Mr. Joseph Schroer, Director of Music

Mrs. Megan Shuler, Christian Education Director

Mrs. Bertina Floyd, Pianist for 8:30 a.m. Worship Service

Mr. David Schroer, Organist for 10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Mrs. Karen Wade, Thrift Shop Manager

Ms. Joan Murray, Thrift Shop Assistant Manager

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, August 24th **Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost**

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Adults)

9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. Ice Cream Social

9:30 a.m. Church Safety Meeting

11:45 a.m. Outreach Meeting

Tuesday, August 26th

2:00 p.m. Small Group

6:00 p.m. Play It Forward

Wednesday, August 27th

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m. Coffee with Clergy

5:30 p.m. Choir Practice

6:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting

Thursday, August 28th

10:00 a.m. Grief Share 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Friday, August 29th

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Thrift Shop Open

Saturday, August 30th

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Thrift Shop Open

Sunday, August 31st

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist

9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Adults)

ON-LINE GIVING

For those of you interested in on-line giving, check the church website (stfrancischapin.org) and select "Giving" on the homepage banner. You will find options at the bottom of this page to give via PayPal.

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ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



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Silent Prayer and Meditation

Prelude

The Processional Hymn

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

Hymn 493

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant

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

BCP 355

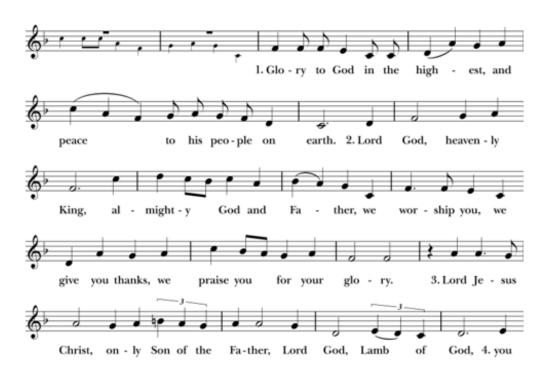
People

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

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 (Sung at 10:30 a.m.)

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The Collect of the Day

BCP 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

The People Sit.

The First Lesson - Jeremiah 1:4-10

The word of the LORD came to me saying,

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations."

Then I said, "Ah, Lord Goo! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." But the Lord said to me,

"Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD."

The First Lesson - Jeremiah 1:4-10, continued

Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me,

"Now I have put my words in your mouth.
See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Reader The Word of the Lord. **People Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 71:1-6, In te, Domine, speravi

BCP 683

1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; * let me never be ashamed.

2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; * incline your ear to me and save me.

3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; * you are my crag and my stronghold.

4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, * from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, * my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; * my praise shall be always of you.

The Second Lesson - Hebrews 12:18-29

You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. (For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear.") But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven." This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of what is shaken-- that is, created things-- so that what cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be

Hymn 623 (v.1-3)

The Gospel - Luke 13:10-17

Deacon The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And just then there appeared a woman with a spirit that had crippled her for eighteen years. She was bent over and was quite unable to stand up straight. When Jesus saw her, he called her over and said, "Woman, you are set free from your ailment." When he laid his hands on her, immediately she stood up straight and began praising God. But the leader of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had cured on the sabbath, kept saying to the crowd, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be cured, and not on the sabbath day." But the Lord answered him and said, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to give it water? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen long years, be set free from this bondage on the sabbath day?" When he said this, all his opponents were put to shame; and the entire crowd was rejoicing at all the wonderful things that he was doing.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord. **People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sequence Hymn

O What Their Joy and Their Glory Must Be

Hymn 623 (v.4-5)

The People Sit.

The Sermon

The Rev. Doug Graul

The Nicene Creed BCP 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 worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets.

The People Kneel.

The Prayers of the People Form V

BCP 389

In peace, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy".

For the holy Church of God, that it may be filled with truth and love, and be found without fault at the day of your coming, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

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.

For Sean (Rowe), our Presiding Bishop; for Daniel (Richards), our Bishop; for Doug (Graul), our Rector; for Ann (Pilat), our Deacon; for Elizabeth (Eaton), Bishop in the Lutheran Church (ELCA); and for Virginia "Ginny" (Aebischer), Bishop of SC Synod (ELCA); and for all bishops and other ministers, and for all the holy people of God, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For all who fear God and believe in you, Lord Christ, that our divisions may cease, and that all may be one as you and the Father are one, we pray to you, O Lord. *Lord, have mercy.*

For the mission of the Church, that in faithful witness it may preach the Gospel to the ends of the earth, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who do not yet believe, and for those who have lost their faith, that they may receive the light of the Gospel, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, that a spirit of respect and forbearance may grow among nations and peoples, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those in positions of public trust especially, Donald (Trump), the President of the United States, for Henry (McMaster), the Governor of this State, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, that they may serve justice, and promote the dignity and freedom of every person, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who live and work in this community, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For a blessing upon all human labor, and for the right use of the riches of creation, that the world may be freed from poverty, famine, and disaster, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the poor, the persecuted, the sick, and all who suffer; for refugees, prisoners, and all who are in danger; that they may be relieved and protected, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this congregation, that we may be delivered from hardness of heart, and show forth your glory in all that we do, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

In our Parish Prayer Cycle: Pray for the Acolytes.

In our Anglican Prayer Cycle: Pray for Church of the Province of South East Asia.

<u>In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle</u>: Pray for St. Bartholomew's, North Augusta; The Bishops Public Education Initiative.

<u>In our Community Prayer Cycle</u>: Pray for the people and clergy of St. John AME Church.

We pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For our enemies and those who wish us harm; and for all whom we have injured or offended, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For ourselves; for the forgiveness of our sins, and for the grace of the Holy Spirit to amend our lives, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have commended themselves to our prayers; especially those listed in the insert today and (names read from Prayer Request Book). You may add your own petitions either silently or aloud: (pause); and for our families, friends, and neighbors; that being freed from anxiety, they may live in joy, peace, and health, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those celebrating birthdays this week: August 27 ~ Jesma Evans & Mary Evans; 30 ~ Barbara McKellar.

For those celebrating their anniversary this week: August 30 ~ Mike & Susan Eckhart. In thanksgiving for the altar flowers today given to the glory of God, we pray to you, O Lord. Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the communion of your Church, and those whose faith is known to you alone, that, with all the saints, they may have rest in that place where there is no pain or grief, but life eternal, we pray to you, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Rejoicing in the fellowship of St. Francis of Assisi and all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord our God.

Let us pray together *The Prayer of St. Francis*,

BCP 833

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

The celebrant concludes with a collect

Confession of Sin BCP 359

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Deacon

Silence may be kept.

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.

Absolution

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.

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The People Stand As Able.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

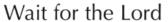
People And also with you. The People Sit.

Announcements

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence Offertory Anthem

BCP 376

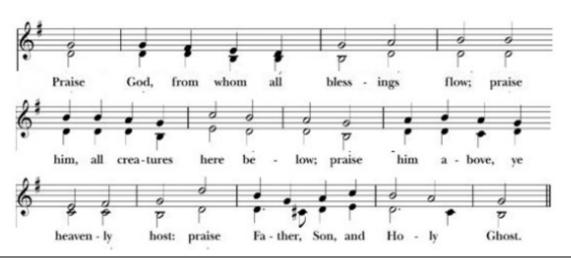




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The People Stand As Able.

The Doxology Hymn 43



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The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer D

BCP 372

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

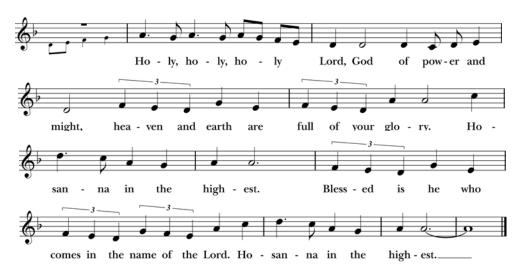
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Celebrant It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing (say),



The People Kneel or Stand.

Celebrant

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant & People

We praise you, we bless you, we give thanks to you, and we pray to you, Lord our God.

Celebrant

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, St. Francis and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN*.

The Lord's Prayer

BCP 364

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Our Father, who art in heaven hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast.

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 People Sit.

Communion

Baptized Christians of all traditions and ages are invited to receive the sacrament. Those who have not yet received baptism are welcome to come to the rail for a blessing. Please indicate your desire for a blessing from the priest by crossing your arms over your chest. Those who do not wish to receive the wine can indicate this to the cup bearer by crossing their arms over their chest. Gluten Free Communion Wafers are available. Please make your request known to the Ushers.

Communion Hymns Rock of Ages, Cleft For Me Hymn 685

Jerusalem the Golden Hymn 624

The People Kneel or Stand.

Post Communion Prayer BCP 365

Celebrant Let us Pray. Celebrant and **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 Blessing

Sending Hymn O Bless the Lord My Soul! Hymn 411

Dismissal

Deacon Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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Jesus Heals on the Sabbath

When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity." Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. Luke 13:12-13

Based on Luke 13:10-17



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Each number represents a letter of the alphabet. Substitute the correct letter for the numbers to reveal the coded words.



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	Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost August 24	Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost August 31
Ushers	8:30 a.m. Dottie Hogan 10:30 a.m. John Dickerson Del Collings	8:30 a.m. Gary Turner 10:30 a.m. Linda Barksdale Del Collings
Greeters	10:30 a.m. Jim Lichty	10:30 a.m. Caroline Connelly
Acolytes		
Worship Assistants and Lectors	8:30 a.m. Elise Lebel Teresa Stallings 10:30 a.m. Lynn Wythe Pam Steude	8:30 a.m. Lynn Wythe Sandi Chaplin 10:30 a.m. Michael Copeland Pam Lichty
Altar Guild	Peggy Williams Sue Copeland	Peggy Williams Sue Copeland
Prayer Desk	8:30 a.m. Deborah Laren 10:30 a.m. Cheri Beesburg	8:30 a.m. Glinda Van Dyke 10:30 a.m. Toni Sylvester
Flower Guild	Linda Barksdale	Ann Gorman Cameron Hood
Coffee Hour		
Bread Baker	Fr. Doug Graul	Fr. Doug Graul
Counters	Richard Walters Diane Henry	Diane Henry Pam Lichty

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