

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Seventh Sunday of Easter

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

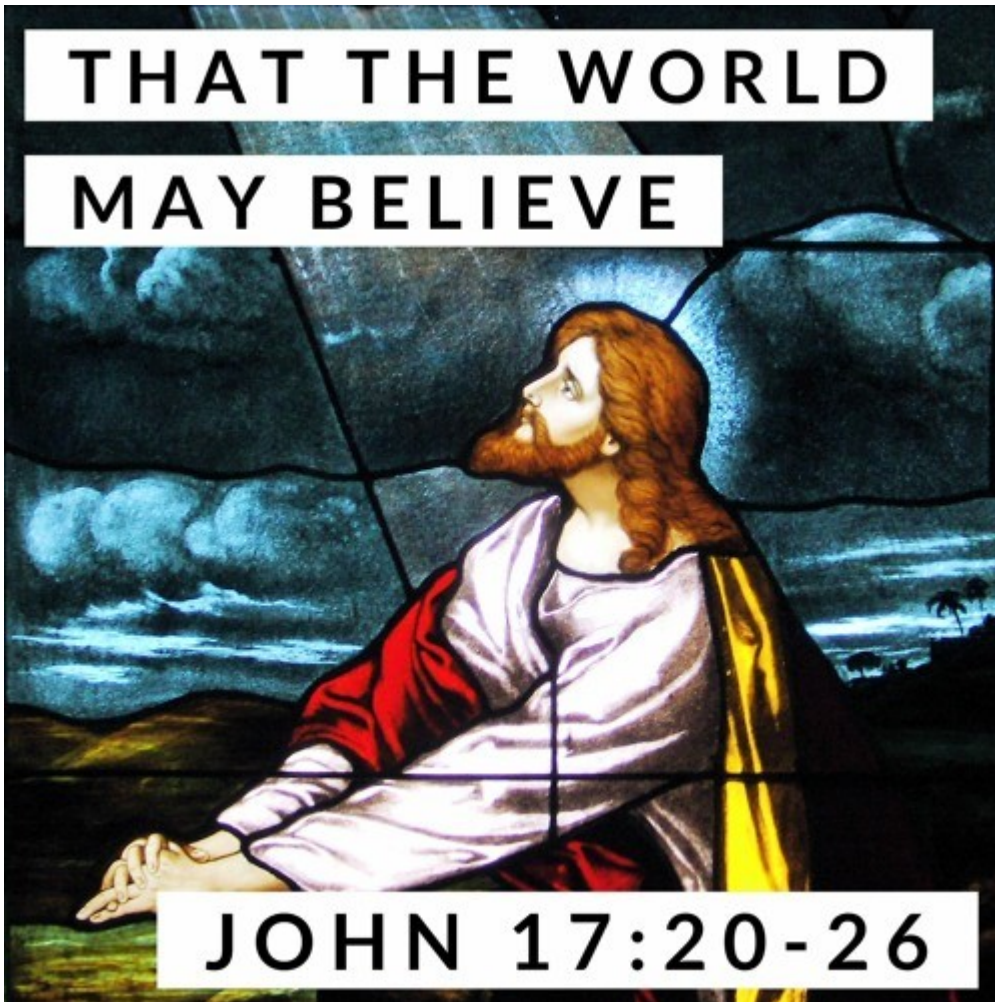
June 1 , 2025 ~ 8:30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Celebrant: The Rev. Doug Gaul



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

**THAT THE WORLD
MAY BELIEVE**



JOHN 17:20-26



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. 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

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, June 1st

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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

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

Wednesday, June 4th

Noon Bulletin Deadline

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

9:00 a.m. Coffee with Clergy

5:30 p.m. Choir Practice

Thursday, June 5th

10:00 a.m. GriefShare (Library)

Friday, June 6th

1:00 - 4:00 p.m. Thrift Shop Open

Saturday, June 7th

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

Sunday, June 8th

Day of 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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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

June 1, 2025

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



Silent Prayer and Meditation

Prelude

The Processional Hymn

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Hymn 450

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

BCP 355

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.*)

S280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



The Collect of the Day

BCP 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

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

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. ***Amen.***

The People Sit.

The First Lesson - Acts 16:16-34

With Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour.

But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks.

The First Lesson - Acts 16:16-34, continued

About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 97, Dominus regnavit

BCP 726

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| 1 The LORD is King;
let the earth rejoice; *
let the multitude of the isles be glad. | 7 Confounded be all who worship carved images
and delight in false gods! *
Bow down before him, all you gods. |
| 2 Clouds and darkness are round about him, *
righteousness and justice are the foundations of
his throne. | 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of Judah
rejoice, *
because of your judgments, O LORD. |
| 3 A fire goes before him *
and burns up his enemies on every side. | 9 For you are the LORD,
most high over all the earth; *
you are exalted far above all gods. |
| 4 His lightnings light up the world; *
the earth sees it and is afraid. | 10 The LORD loves those who hate evil; *
he preserves the lives of his saints
and delivers them from the hand of the wicked. |
| 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence of
the LORD, *
at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth. | 11 Light has sprung up for the righteous, *
and joyful gladness for those who are truehearted. |
| 6 The heavens declare his righteousness, *
and all the peoples see his glory. | 12 Rejoice in the LORD, you righteous, *
and give thanks to his holy Name. |

The Second Lesson - Revelation 22:12-14,16-17,20-21

At the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: "See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone's work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end." Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. "It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The People Stand as Able

Sequence Hymn

Christ Is the World's True Light

Hymn 542 (v.1-2)

The Gospel - John 17:20-26

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

"Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sequence Hymn

Christ Is the World's True Light

Hymn 542 (v.3)

The People Sit

The Sermon

The Rev. Doug Graul

The People Stand As Able.

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.***

***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 People Kneel.

The Prayers of the People Form II

BCP 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Presiding Bishop, Sean (Rowe); for our Bishop, Daniel (Richards); for our Rector, Doug (Graul); for our Deacon, Ann (Pilat); for the Bishop in the Lutheran church, Elizabeth (Eaton); for the Bishop of SC Synod, Virginia "Ginny" (Aebischer); for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed.
Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers 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.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those:

In our Parish Prayer Cycle: Pray for the Cemetery Committee.

In our Anglican Prayer Cycle: Pray for The Anglican Church of Korea.

In our Diocesan Prayer Cycle: Pray for Church of the Ascension, Seneca.

In our Community Prayer Cycle: Pray for the people and clergy of Mt. Horeb Lutheran Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those who serve in the Armed Forces, especially those listed in the bulletin today:
Ryan Aycock, Tyler Aycock, Jackson Brownfield, Matthew Delk, Ryan Dickson, Jase Geiger, Kemp Gregg, Pierson Haines, Dylan Meetze, Luke Meetze, Jenn Pilat, Matthew Pilat, Greg Smith, Sarah Smith.

Silence

I ask your prayers for those who have commended themselves to our prayers; especially those listed in the insert today, and especially _____. *You may add your own petitions either silently or aloud.*

Silence

I ask your prayers for those celebrating birthdays this week: **June 1 ~ Eddy Graul; 3 ~ Karen Wade; 4 ~ John Evans; 7 ~ Shaun McNett.**

I ask your prayers for those celebrating an anniversary this week: **June 2 ~ Chuck & Judi Neubecker; 7 ~ Rex & Su Hodges.**

I ask your thanksgiving for the altar flowers today given to the glory of God.

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

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

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

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.***

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 for Announcements.

Announcements

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence

BCP 376

Offertory Anthem

The People Stand as Able

The Doxology

Hymn 43

*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP 361

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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise thee for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the very Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who by his death hath destroyed death, and by his rising to life again hath won for us 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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people kneel or stand.

Celebrant Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.

AMEN.

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

BCP 364

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 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	<i>The Head That Was Once Crowned With Thorns</i>	<i>Hymn 483</i>
	<i>Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus</i>	<i>Hymn 495</i>

The people kneel or stand.

Post Communion Prayer	BCP 365
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Celebrant Let us Pray.
Celebrant and People

*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

Sending Hymn	<i>Alleluia! Sing to Jesus</i>	<i>Hymn 460</i>
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Dismissal

<i>Deacon</i>	Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.
<i>People</i>	<i>Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.</i>

Postlude





	Seventh Sunday of Easter June 1	Day of Pentecost June 8
Ushers	8:30 a.m. Dottie Hogan 10:30 a.m. Susan Little Del Collings	8:30 a.m. Gary Turner 10:30 a.m. Linda Barksdale Del Collings
Greeters	10:30 a.m. Caroline Connelly	10:30 a.m. Sue Copeland
Acolytes	Izzy Steude Tessa Kalish Madison Miller Aria Taliaferro	Addisyn Hood Jayden Organski Cameron Hood Brooke Hood
Worship Assistants and Lectors	8:30 a.m. John Grindley Diane Henry 10:30 a.m. Sharon Herring Youth	8:30 a.m. Lynn Wythe Teresa Stallings 10:30 a.m. Michael Copeland Caroline Connelly
Altar Guild	Kennon Webb Rainee Lasonde	Kennon Webb Rainee Lasonde
Prayer Desk	8:30 a.m. Glinda Van Dyke 10:30 a.m. Terry Burnett	8:30 a.m. Deborah Laren 10:30 a.m. Cindy Epps
Flower Guild	Su Hodges	Linda Barksdale
Coffee Hour	Need A Volunteer	Need A Volunteer
Bread Baker	Ann Gorman	Ann Gorman
Counters	Diane Henry Jerome Gorman	Diane Henry Pam Lichty

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