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Living into new ways of being Church

*Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I shall fear no evil; for you are with me. – PSALM 23*

BY THE REV. MELANIE S. DONAHOE



The comforting words of Psalm 23 have taken on new meaning as together we have walked through the “valley of the shadow of death” created by the worldwide COVID-19 pandemic.

It has not been an easy time, yet God’s “goodness and mercy” have been abundantly reflected as God’s people have faithfully cared for strangers and for one another.

You have reached out to help bear the pain of those who have lost loved ones. Through simple acts of kindness — picking up groceries for elderly neighbors, regularly calling those who live alone in fearful isolation, sewing masks, serving in food pantries — God’s Holy Spirit has inspired you to be Christ’s daily loving, healing presence in the world. Our physical church doors may have necessarily been shuttered, but “the Church” has never been closed.

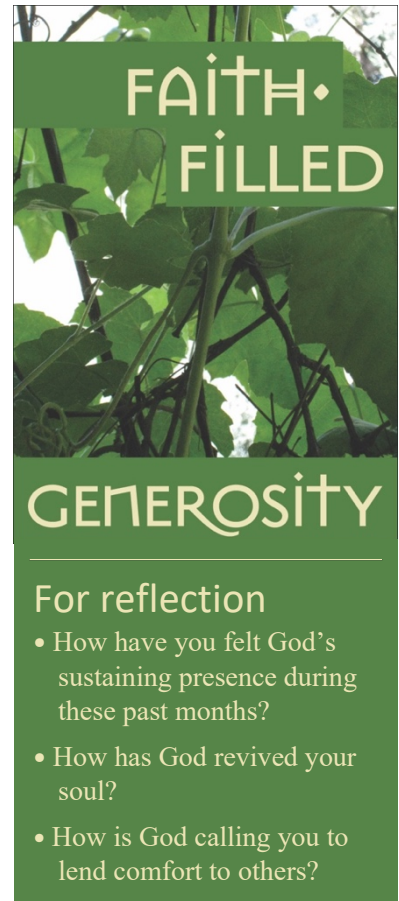
And God has never been absent. God has shepherded us, leading and guiding us along us pathways we could not have imagined a year ago. Perhaps it is in the hardest times when we most clearly recognize how God continues, always, always to sustain us.

Even when we could not gather together for Holy Communion, God continued to feed us — with God’s Holy Word, with live-streamed services and “virtual” coffee hours.

And now as some of us slowly, carefully begin to gather again inside our churches, we will learn new ways of including those who still need to “shelter in place” — and innovative ways of welcoming those who have never been “inside’ our church buildings, but joyfully discovered Church on the internet in a time of pandemic.

As we live into new, exciting (yes, exciting!) ways of being Church, God will continue to reveal opportunities for us to welcome everyone so that, together, we may “dwell in the house of the Lord our whole lives long.”

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~WELCOME~

To all members of the St. Francis community, visitors and guests near and far, welcome to St. Francis' Episcopal Church livestream service of the Holy Eucharist. Please join in saying the responses, and participating in the prayers fully, even while unable to be present in the church for a time. stfranciswillowglen.org.

Please Pray For:

Anglican Cycle of Prayer: The Church of the Province of Uganda, The Most Rev. Stephen Samuel Kaziimba - Archbishop of Uganda and Bishop of Kampala; **Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** St. Luke the Evangelist (10/16): Atascadero, Hollister, Jolon; **Our sister parish in the Cotswolds (UK):** St. Lawrence's, Bourton-on-the-Water, Diocese of Gloucester, Church of England; **Birthdays this week:** Leah Tedeschi (11th), Albert TenBrink (11th), Amalia Pitti-Friedman (11th), (Michael Lavoie (12th), Marjolie Thomas (12th), Micah Dionne (13th), Terry Krivan (17th); **Healing and other concerns:** Wesley Gailey, Michael Burroughs, Jim Isaacson, Dave Standley, Zachary Bowman, Meng Chin, Donna Jewett, John Homer, Davison Hogan, serving the church and people of Bogota, Columbia; for the First Family and the 7.6+ million in the US infected with COVID-19 and 36.7+ million worldwide; for those affected by the fires in California – for those fighting the fires on land and in the air; for the unrest throughout our country over police brutality and racial injustice; the unemployed and under-employed; the houseless; **Those who have died:** Louise Vetter (grandmother of Dev Davis), John Ratcliffe (brother of Barbara Ratcliffe), Crystal Hargrave (sister of Phyllis Dubois), Sue Dimmers (wife of Walt Dimmers), the 213,000+ victims in the US of COVID-19, and 1.1+ million worldwide; **Village House Women's Shelter:** for the women for whom we provided shelter; give thanks for those who have acquired permanent housing; **Our Homebound:** Jane Paull

~MINISTERS OF THE LITURGY TODAY~

<i>Presider & Preacher</i>	The Rev. Maly Carswell Hughes, Rector
<i>Assisting</i>	The Rev. Stephenie Cooper, Deacon
<i>Chinese Gospeller</i>	The Rev. F. Jonathan Liu, Assisting Priest
<i>Organist</i>	Michael Burroughs, Dir of Music & Spiritual Life
<i>Lectors</i>	Patti Holderman, Bill Krivan, John Epperheimer
<i>Prayers</i>	Dev & Chris Davis

~WEEKLY ONLINE SERVICE SCHEDULE~

Holy Eucharist, Sundays at 10:00 a.m. (Facebook Live)
Evening Prayer (English), Sundays at 5:15 p.m. (YouTube)
Evening Prayer (Mandarin), Sundays at 5:45 p.m. (YouTube)
Evening Prayer (Mandarin), Monday – Saturday at 7:00 p.m. (Zoom)
Morning Prayer on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:15 a.m. (YouTube)

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~ THE HOLY EUCHARIST ~

Prelude

All are Welcome

arr David Lasky

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

愿赞美归于上帝：圣父、圣子、圣灵。

People

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

愿赞美归于主的国，从现在直到永远。阿们。

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. 阿们。

Holy God,
Holy and Mighty,
Holy Immortal One,
Have mercy upon us.

Presider The Lord be with you. 愿主与你们同在。

People **And also with you.** 愿主也与你同在。

Presider Let us pray. 我们要祈祷。

Collect of the Day

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 阿们。

Collect for Elections

Almighty God, to whom we must account for all our powers and privileges: Guide the people of the United States and this community in the election of officials and representatives; that, by faithful administration and wise laws, the rights of all may be protected and our nation be enabled to fulfill your purposes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 阿们

~ LITURGY OF THE WORD ~

First Reading: Exodus 32:1-14

In our story from the Hebrew Bible the people worship an idol, but Moses' prayer saves them from the Lord's punishment.

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me." So, all the people took off the gold rings from their ears and brought them to Aaron. He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, "Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord." They rose early the next day and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to revel. The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at

once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.** 感谢上帝。

Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23

An affirmation of God's righteousness and favor toward those who love the Lord, and a confession of sins present and sins past.

Hallelujah!

**Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, *
for his mercy endures for ever.**

**Who can declare the mighty acts of the Lord *
or show forth all his praise?**

**Happy are those who act with justice *
and always do what is right!**

**Remember me, O Lord, with the favor you have for your people, *
and visit me with your saving help;**

**That I may see the prosperity of your elect
and be glad with the gladness of your people, *
that I may glory with your inheritance.**

**We have sinned as our forebears did; *
we have done wrong and dealt wickedly.**

**Israel made a bull-calf at Horeb *
and worshiped a molten image;**

**And so they exchanged their Glory *
for the image of an ox that feeds on grass.**

**They forgot God their Savior, *
who had done great things in Egypt,**

**Wonderful deeds in the land of Ham, *
and fearful things at the Red Sea.**

**So he would have destroyed them,
had not Moses his chosen stood before him in the breach, *
to turn away his wrath from consuming them.**

Second Reading: Philippians 4:1-9

In his letter to the church at Philippi, Paul invites the new disciples to exult in joy in the Lord who is near at hand, and he thanks them for their most recent gift.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved. I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life. Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.** 感谢上帝。

The Gospel: Matthew 马太福音 22:1-14.

Our gospel reading presents a parable about those who declined invitations to a marriage feast and others who were then invited, followed by the story of a guest who came without wedding clothes.

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ. 愿荣耀归于主基督。

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again, he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and, invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so, the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

“耶稣又用比喻对他们说「天国好比一个王为他儿子摆设娶亲的筵席，就打发仆人去，请那些被召的人来赴席，他们却不肯来。王又打发别的仆人，说：『你们告诉那被召的人 我的筵席已经预备好了，牛和肥畜已经宰了，各样都齐备，请你们来赴席。』那些人不理就走了；一个到自己田里去；一个做买卖去；其余的拿住仆人，凌辱他们，把他们杀了。王就大怒，发兵除灭那些凶手，烧毁他们的城于是对仆人说『喜筵已经齐备，只是所召的人不配。所以你们要往岔路口上去，凡遇见的，都召来赴席』那些仆人就出去，到大路上，凡遇见的，不论善恶都召聚了来，筵席上就坐满了客。王进来观看

宾客，见那里有一个没有穿礼服的，就对他说『朋友，你到这里来怎么不穿礼服呢？』那人无言可答。于是王对使唤的人说『捆起他的手脚来，把他丢在外边的黑暗里；在那里必要哀哭切齿了。』因为被召的人多 选上的人少。」”

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord. 这是主的福音。
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.** 愿赞美归于主基督。

The Sermon

The Rev. Maly Carswell Hughes

Following the sermon, a time of silence is kept for reflection.

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 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. 阿们。**

Prayers of the People

Intercessor Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. Let us humbly approach God, saying, “Remember us with favor O Lord; visit us with your saving help.”

God our Savior, strengthen your Church to stand firm in your love. May we struggle not with one another, but instead struggle beside one another in the work of the gospel.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;

Visit us with your saving help. 恳求主帮助拯救我们

God our Savior, you make happy those who act with justice. May the leaders and the people of the nations dedicate themselves to pure and honorable dealings. Let your justice reign on this earth.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;

Visit us with your saving help. 恳求主帮助拯救我们

God our Savior, you are good to us. You have blessed us with a rich creation and a beautiful planet for our home. May we cherish the gifts you have given us. . We give thanks for those celebrating anniversaries and birthdays today especially Leah Tedeschi (11th), Albert TenBrink (11th), Amalia Pitti-Friedman (11th), Michael Lavoie (12th), Marjolie Thomas (12th), Micah Dionne (13th), Terry Krivan (17th) and all those now named either silently or aloud_____.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;

Visit us with your saving help. 恳求主帮助拯救我们

God our Savior, deliver our community from worry. Make us a people of prayer, a congregation who intercedes for our neighbors.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;

Visit us with your saving help. 恳求主帮助拯救我们

God our Savior, you are always near. Assure the lonely; heal the sick; do mighty acts in the lives of the downcast. We pray especially for Wesley Gailey, Michael Burroughs, Jim Isaacson, Dave Standley, Zachary Bowman, Meng Chin, Donna Jewett, John Homer, Davison Hogan doing ministry in Bogota, Columbia, for the First Family and all those sick with COVID-19, and those now named either silently or aloud_____. With thankful hearts, trusting in your mercy, we make our requests known to you.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;

Visit us with your saving help. 恳求主帮助拯救我们

God our Savior, your mercy endures forever. May those who have died glory in your inheritance and feast at your heavenly banquet for all eternity. We remember today Louise Vetter (grandmother of Dev Davis), John Ratcliffe (brother of Barbara Ratcliffe, Crystal Hargrave (sister of Phyllis Dubois), Sue Dimmers (wife of Walt Dimmers), all who died of COVID-19 and those now named either silently or aloud_____.

Silence

Remember us with favor, O Lord;

Visit us with your saving help. 恳求主帮助拯救我们

Presider Show your goodness, O Lord, and hear our prayers. Look past our selfish desires and remember your own faithfulness. In your great compassion, consider our petitions and in your mercy do in our lives that which is truly good. We pray in the name of your Son, who with you and the Holy Spirit, reigns one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 阿们

Deacon

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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. 阿们。

Presider 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.** 阿们。

The Peace

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you. 愿主的平安常与你们同在。
People **And also with you.** 愿主的平安也常与你同在。

Welcome and Announcements - *The Good News expressed in the Life of the Church*

~THE HOLY COMMUNION~

The Offertory

Everyone participating in worship at this time in any way is invited to make an offering as an expression of gratitude for God's generosity. Together, our gifts make possible this community of welcome, reconciliation and service. Links to donate to St. Francis online are located on the livestream page. You may also mail your gift to the church. stfranciswillowglen.org/donate

Music at the Offertory

I Cannot Keep from Singing

arr Matthew Culloton

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer I (*Enriching Our Worship*)

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we say:

**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.**

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us;

and so, we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah, you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life. On the night before he died for us, our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with the blessed Virgin Mary, Francis, Clare and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 阿们。

Deacon 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.** 阿们。

The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Prayer of Spiritual Communion

In union, O Lord, with the faithful of your Church where the Holy Eucharist is now being celebrated, we desire to offer you praise and thanksgiving. We present to you our souls and bodies with the earnest wish that we may always be united to you. And since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, we beseech you to come spiritually into our

hearts. We unite ourselves with you and embrace you with all the love of our souls. Let nothing ever separate you from us. May we live in you, and may you live in us, both in this life and in the life to come. Amen. 阿们

Music

Come to the Feast (sung in Korean)

Hyun Kook

Translation: Come into the feast that our Lord has provided, brothers and sisters, who gather in this place; come savor this meal as you savor this moment; come giving thanks as you meet Him face to face. Come offering your hearts to be bathed in His mercy, humble and open to follow after Christ; come, laying aside all your strife and your anger, come in repentance to the one who offers life. Bread of redemption, cup of salvation, served by our Savior, this sweet celebration; glory and honor, praise, adoration unto our Lord, for His table set with grace. Partake of this bread, for you it is broken; come drink this wine: for you, it has been poured. Then, brothers and sisters, who meet at His table; go out to serve in the name of our Lord.

Let us pray.

Prayer of St. Francis

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. 阿们。

The Blessing (St. Clare)

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a parent. Go in peace to follow the good road and may the blessing of God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit be with you always. **Amen. 阿们。**

Dismissal

Deacon

Let us bless the Lord. 我们要赞美主。哈利路亚。哈利路亚。

People

Thanks be to God. 感谢上帝。哈利路亚。哈利路亚。

Postlude

Westminster Abbey (Christ is made the sure foundation H518)

arr David Cherwien

