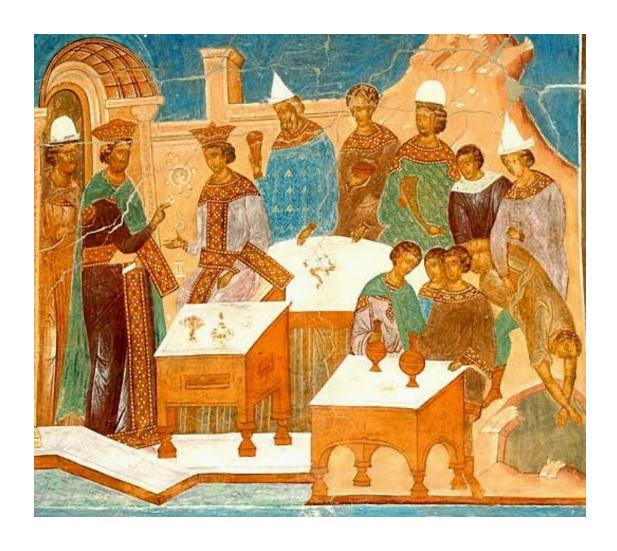
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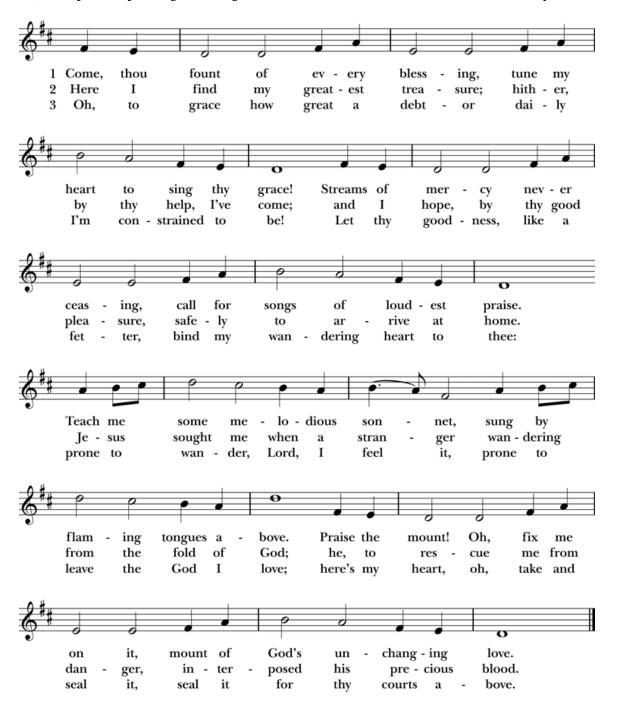
August 31, 2025



ENTRANCE HYMN

Come, thou fount of every blessing

Hymnal 686



Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt. Music: Nettleton, melody from A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II, 1813; harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934).

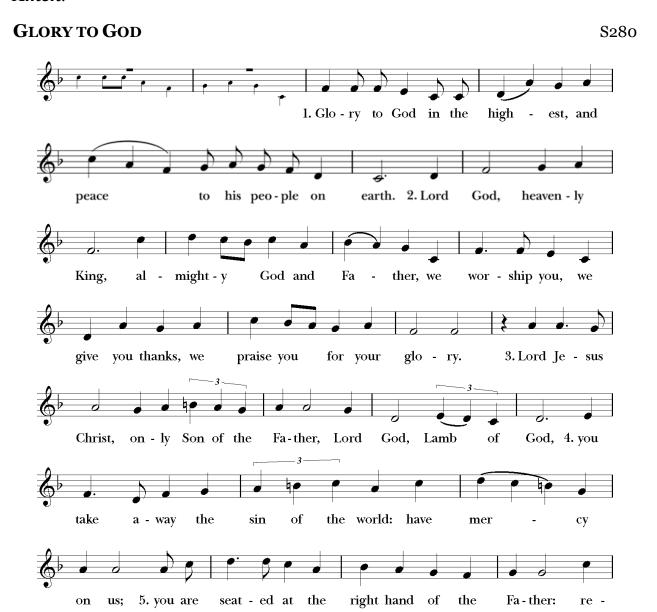
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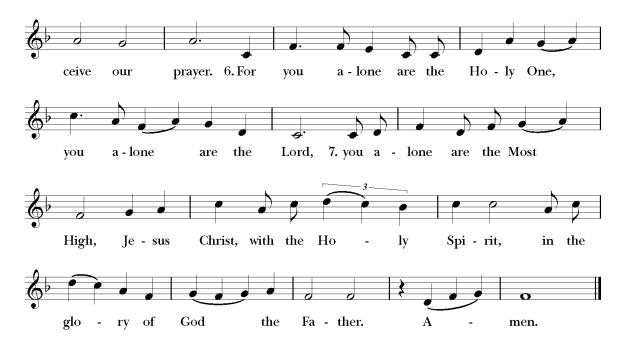
All standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Celebrant says

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*.





COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord 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*

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 2:4-13

A Reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can

hold no water.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 81:1,10-16



Exultate Deo

- 1 Sing with joy to God our **strength** * and raise a loud shout to the God of **Jacob**.
- 10 I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, * "Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
- 11 And yet my people did not hear my **voice**, * and Israel would not o**bey me**.
- 12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their *hearts*, * to follow their own de*vices*.
- 13 Oh, that my people would *listen to me*! * that Israel would walk in my *ways*!
- 14 I should soon subdue their **enemies** * and turn my hand against their **foes**.
- 15 Those who hate the Lord would cringe be**fore him**, * and their punishment would last for **ever**.
- 16 But Israel would I feed with the finest **wheat** * and satisfy him with honey from the **rock**.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16

A Reading from the Letter to the Hebrews.

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.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

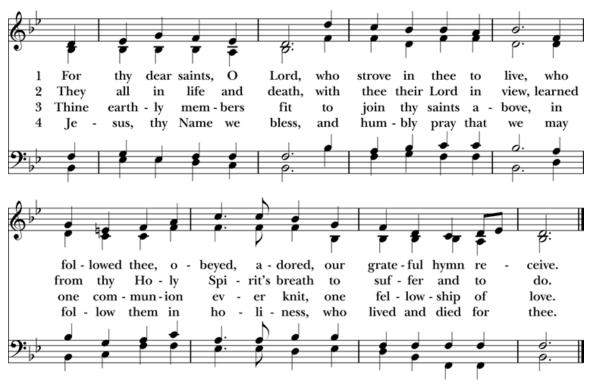
People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN

All stand.

For thy dear saints, O Lord

Hymnal 279



Words: Richard Mant (1776-1848), alt. Music: St. George, Henry John Gauntlett (1805-1876).

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 14:1,7-14

All stand.

Priest 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."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

The Very Rev. Peter Browning

NICENE CREED

All stand and together say

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 became truly human. 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], who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

God has searched for us to teach us how to search for one another. That we may learn to live in God's new Jerusalem, generous with life, let us pray together, saying:

Lord, hear our prayer.

You come to us unarmed. May we never use you as a way to war, we pray you, O God.

Lord, hear our prayer.

You come to us penniless. May we never use you as a way to wealth, we pray you, O God.

Lord, hear our prayer.

You come to us innocent. May we never use you as a way to corruption, we pray you, O God.

Lord, hear our prayer.

May we use your peaceful self as a way to make peace, we pray you, O God.

Lord, hear our prayer.

May we use your penniless self as a way to beg for alms, we pray you, O God.

Lord, hear our prayer.

May we use your innocent self as a way of curing sin, we pray you, O God.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Shame us out of arrogance, O Lord, arrogance of power and place, we pray you, O God. *Lord, hear our prayer*.

Win us with the love you have for the least of things, we pray you, O God.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us pray to the Lord for ourselves and on behalf of others, and let us offer our thanksgivings.

Other intercessions may now be offered.

The Celebrant continues

It would be a joy for us to be as you are, O Lord, toward the least of things on earth. We ask for your peacefulness, your humility, your innocence, both for ourselves, and for all the world. For there is no going home to you without our brothers and sisters, and through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Ministers and People together say

God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

ANNOUNCEMENTS See back of bulletin for announcements.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL PRAYERS

For our Younger Students: A School Backpack Blessing

God of fresh starts and new beginnings, we bring ourselves, our big feelings, and our backpacks to you. In our backpacks we carry blank pages, sharpened pencils and pointy crayons, and in our hearts, we carry big feelings, unanswered questions, and hopeful expectations. There are endless possibilities of what this new year might bring – of what we might learn, who we might meet, and who we might become. God, our friend who is always with us, be with us through it all. Amen.

For our Older Students: Prayer #47 in the Book of Common Prayer

God our Creator, you see your children growing up in an unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that following you is better than chasing after selfish goals. Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

OFFERTORY HYMN

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

Hymnal 636 Verses 1-5



Words: K. in John Rippon's *Selection*, 1787, alt. Music: *Foundation*, melody from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844; harm. Calvin Hampton (1938-1984); alt. acc. Eugene W. Hancock (b. 1929).

Representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the celebrant. The people stand while the offerings are presented and placed on the Altar.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Enriching Our Worship Eucharistic Prayer 1

The people remain standing.

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.

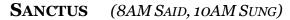
People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant continues

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 sing (say):



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The Celebrant continues

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:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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 Andrew 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*.

The Celebrant then continues

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

Our Father in heaven
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,

as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

A period of silence is kept.

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

The Celebrant says

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.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

Jesus, we believe that you are truly present in the Blessed Sacrament of the Altar. We love you above all things, and long for you in our souls. Since some of us are not able now to receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into all of our hearts. As though you have already come, we embrace you and unite ourselves entirely to you; never permit us to be separated from you. Amen. (St. Alphonsus de Liguori, 1696-1787; from Bishop Curry)

Everyone is invited to come to the altar. If you do not wish to receive either bread or wine, simply cross your arms over your chest. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

COMMUNION HYMN

Father all loving, who rulest in majesty

Hymnal 568



Words: Patrick Robert Norman Appleford (b. 1925), alt. By permission of The United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel. Music: *Was lebet*, melody from *Choral-Buch vor Johann Heinrich Reinhardt*, 1754; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

God of abundance,
you have fed us with the bread of life
and cup of salvation;
you have united us
with Christ and one another;
and you have made us one
with all your people in heaven and on earth.
Now send us forth
in the power of your Spirit,
that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world
and continue for ever
in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

BLESSING

The priest blesses the people, saying

Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing be with you always. *Amen.* (source: from Saint Claire)

POST COMMUNION HYMN

Where cross the crowded ways of life

Hymnal 609



Words: Frank Mason North (1850-1935), alt. Music: Gardiner, from Sacred Melodies, 1815; arr. William Gardiner (1770-1853).

DISMISSAL

LEM Let us go forth in the name of Christ. People Thanks be to God.

Prayer List Please take this list home to remember those who need your daily prayers.

For the Church

Archbishop of Canterbury Sean, Presiding Bishop John, Bishop of the Diocese

Hosam E. Naoum, Archbishop of Jerusalem

For the Vestry

Kathy, Tom, Wardens Peter, Thomas, Priests Ministry of Canterbury Irvine Saint Andrew's Children's Center

For the Government and the Nations of the World:

Donald, our President Congress of the United States

Supreme Court of the United States Gavin, our Governor

For Those in College: Audrey, Allece, Aidan, Zachary, Jonathan, Caitlin, Matthew, Gram,

Emma, Haven, Catherine, Bryce, Elise, Tyler

Guidance: Andrea, Jacob, Rebecca, Jose, Dominick

Healing

Corinne Lakes Lisa Rotchford Paige & Steve Tammy & Chris Daniel Mitsuve John Salistean Gabriel Dana Hollinger Brandy Lemon Sandy Wilson Ethan Lockwood Wendy Michelle Jan Cannon Bernice Jemma & Emma Joyce & Ken Jenson Jayne Baldwin Marv Judi Matthews Susan Berkel Sue Powell Staci DeNatali Jan Louise Jonas Tupper-Graeff Michele Percival Jim Bratton Carl Barton

Mary Baker Heather Harris Frances Fosnaugh Grace

Long Term Needs

AA Groups Wanda Lay Chris Bennett Scott Perrin Donna Westlund

Jack & John Selman Merrilee Gardner

Patti

Susan D'Zmura

Lyle Menzel Julie Carl

Stacy Watson

Nora Patti Patel

Our Refugee Family

Nancy Perrin Tyler Hudson

Mike Catalano

Leslie Ennis

Dominick Pellegrino Brian Kingsfield Rich & Libby Cook

Lynne Raftery **Roy Nichols**

Peggy E.

Kevin & Cole Madden

Mollie Patsy

Jeffrey Marks

Berkel & West families

Sharon Brooks

Kwesi

Mary Dennis **Bob Mitchell** Phil Henry Kelly Grace

Pets: Marcel, Luna, Shiso, Tulip, Roxy & Chloe

Repose of the Soul:

Comfort for: Rick, Wendy & Rick, Bob and Teri Mitchell

For those in the Military: 1st LT. Ryan Hane

Celebration of Birth: James O. Wright, Pilar Magdalene Lopez

Ongoing Scheduled Activities

Monday

10:30 a.m. Volunteer at Woodbridge Manor St. Andrew's volunteers staff a Food Bank for approximately 85 residents at this apartment complex for low-income seniors and disabled adults. We receive food donated by local grocers, unpack it and organize it on tables for the residents to "shop" for their groceries. We have a group of loyal volunteers, and we can always use more help. If you can help, we'd love to have you join us. We meet every other Monday at 10:30 a.m. except for federal holidays. It takes about 2 hours. Contact Catherine Sharbaugh for more information. We can always use empty 1 dozen cardboard egg cartons (not plastic) and small plastic fruit boxes (like the ones blueberries and raspberries come in). Please bring what you can to the church.

Wednesday

The *Virtual Book Group* is currently on hiatus for the summer. The group will resume on **September 10**. To be added to the Zoom invitation please contact the **office**.

Thursday

6 p.m. *Virtual Evening Prayer* livestreamed via Facebook.

Community Groups

Al-Anon - Mon 7 p.m., Fellowship Court

Brothers in Sobriety - Fri 7:30 p.m., Fellowship Court

Sunrise Sobriety - Daily 6:30 a.m., Fellowship Court

Monthly

First Wednesday of the Month

 Democrats of Greater Irvine will meet on September 3 at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

Third Tuesday of the Month

 Prayer Shawl Ministry meets at 3 p.m. in Fellowship Court Patio. Some ministry members who cannot attend the monthly meeting knit or crochet shawls and prayer cloths at home. If you are a newcomer to Prayer Shawl, please contact Donna Catalano at donnajcatalano@gmail.com. If you are in need of a prayer shawl, send a message to Donna or ask any Prayer Shawl member.

Third Saturday of the Month

 Men's Group. Will meet at 8:30 a.m. on September 20 at Strawberry Farms for breakfast and fellowship. All are welcome. Contact Peter if interested

High School Performance Group - Wednesday 6-8 p.m. (Sept. – Dec.)

Korean Orchestra - Saturday 6 – 8 p.m.

Pneuma Chapel - Sunday 12:30 p.m., Church. Saturday 6:00-7:00 a.m.

Announcements



Sunday School News

Day care for infants and children 4 yrs old and younger is led by Samira Sameni, a preschool teacher at our Saint Andrew's Children's Center. **Sunday School** for children in grades K-6 is led by Tammy Smecker-Hane. Both are held in the Kangaroo Room of the Children's Center

during the 10 am service. Drop your children off in the Kangaroo Room, whose entrance is located in the far left-hand corner of the Children's Center courtyard (follow the sign), and we will deliver your children back to you during the Announcements of the service.

The first day of Sunday School for the new year is Sunday, Aug 31, when we will celebrate the end of summer and each child will decorate a box to hold the crafts that they will make in Sunday School in the upcoming year. In addition, please have your children bring in their school backpack because we will have a special blessing for them during the service. For the first two months of Fall, Sunday School students will be learning about important men and women of faith in the Old Testament: Adam and Eve, Noah, Jonah, Daniel and Esther. If you have any questions about Sunday School, please email Tammy Smecker-Hane (tsmecker@cox.net).

Outreach News:



Beginning on Sunday, August 31st to October 12th, we will be collecting toiletries for the Orangewood Foundation.

As you may remember, they run through these particular items very quickly and are very appreciative for the donations we provide.

No trial size, please. Donate only regular size products.

These are the products needed:

- Shampoo and conditioner
- Body Wash
- Toothbrushes, toothpaste and floss
- Deodorant
- Lotion

Thank you for your continued support to the Friendship Foundation and all of the other communities you so generously donate to.

If you have any questions, please call or email Grace.

"We are truly God's outreaching hands in the world."

Coffee Hour Composting

We are continuing our coffee hour composting. Please note the posted signs for disposing of organic waste.

We have compostable cups for coffee, tea, and cold drinks. Napkins and uncoated plates can be composted.

- Utensils and coated plates cannot be composted.
- We ask that you put all the compostable waste in cardboard boxes and/or the Waste Management organics bin.
- You are also welcome to bring your own commuter cups.

If you are bringing snacks, please use the compostable or reusable materials we have provided. Many of the items supplied by restaurants or bakeries are coated and cannot be composted.



Clergy & Staff

The Very Rev. Peter Browning, Rector
Paul Sammon, Minister of Music
Tammy Smecker-Hane, Sunday School Leader
Samira Sameni, Nursery Coordinator
Hank Caprini, Youth Group Leader
Kim Jensen, Office Manager
Office Administration Hours:
In-office: Monday & Thursday 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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Vestry

Kathy Cartelli, Senior Warden Tom Pietryga, Junior Warden Bill Langsdorf, Treasurer Carolyn Ybarra, Clerk Susanna Brown Mary Ann Frericks Sue Ha Grace Marcotrigiano Larry Wheeler

Today's Service

8:00 A.M.

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Peter Browning

LEM: Alissa Poston

10:00 A.M.

Celebrating: The Very Rev. Peter Browning

LEMS: Chris Sardo, Gail Suda

Lectors: Ted Wright, Erin Lockwood Acolytes: Teddy Min, Emmy Min and

Timmy Meadows

Communion hymn requested by: Chuck & Jan Coe



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