

The Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

July 13th at 10 a.m.

St. Anselm's Episcopal Church

Lafayette, California



Welcome to St. Anselm's!

*Whether this is your first time visiting or you worship with us every week, **please know you are warmly welcome.** Restrooms are located next door in the Parish Hall. Children are a blessing and encouraged to participate in worship alongside their parents. On the left of the sanctuary is an area with toys, coloring sheets, and crayons. Feel free to enjoy the playground as well. Please accompany your child.*

The people's responses are in bold. All hymns can be found in the Blue Hymnal.

This type of note, offering direction about the service is called a "rubric," which comes from the Latin word rubrics (red) - referring to a time when these instructional notes were always written in red.

When the service is accompanied by music, it often begins with an instrumental piece of music, during which the congregation can prepare for worship.

PRELUDE

THE ENTRANCE RITE

The people stand as able at the introduction to the hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

We begin our worship as a gathered community for praising God in song. Sung by all.

H# 686 "Come, thou fount of every blessing"

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

S #280 "Gloria in Excelsis"

The Gloria, or some other song of praise, centers the service on the God we gather to praise in our worship.

Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo-ple on earth. 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. Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us; you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther:
re-ceive our prayer. For you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the
Lord, you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly
Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The collect is the prayer appointed for each Sunday that “collects” or captures the theme of the day or season of the Church year. It summarizes the attributes of God as revealed in the scriptures for the day.

Presider God be with you.

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

Presider Let us pray.

Presider

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. ***Amen.***

The People sit for the readings.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

This reading is typically from the Old Testament (Hebrew Scriptures) which Jesus knew and from which he often referred or quoted:

Amos 7:7-17

Lector A reading from the Prophet Amos.

This is what he showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb-line, with a plumb-line in his hand. And the LORD said to me, ‘Amos, what do you see?’ And I said, ‘A plumb-line.’ Then the Lord said, ‘See, I am setting a plumb-line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword.’ Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, ‘Amos has conspired against you in the very centre of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said, Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.’ And Amaziah said to Amos, ‘O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king’s sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom.’ Then Amos answered Amaziah, ‘I am no prophet, nor a prophet’s son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the LORD took me from following the flock, and the LORD said to me, “Go, prophesy to my people Israel.” Now therefore hear the word of the LORD. You say, “Do not prophesy against Israel, and do not preach against the house of Isaac.” Therefore, thus says the LORD: “Your wife shall become a prostitute in the city, and your sons and your daughters shall fall by the sword, and your land shall be parceled out by line; you yourself shall die in an unclean land, and Israel shall surely go into exile away from its land.” ’

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's *people*.

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

Psalm 82

- 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; *
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
- 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, *
and show favor to the wicked?
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; *
defend the humble and needy;
- 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; *
deliver them from the power of the wicked.
- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand;
they go about in darkness; *
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, *
and all of you children of the Most High;
- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, *
and fall like any prince."
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, *
for you shall take all nations for your own.

THE SECOND LESSON

This reading, taken from the New Testament, is typically from a letter (epistle) to the early Church, the Acts of the Apostles, or the Revelation to John.

Colossians 1:1-14

Lector A reading from the letter to the Colossians.

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father. In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit. For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled

you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's *people*.

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

A period of silence follows.

The people stand as able for the introduction of the hymn.

GOSPEL HYMN

The Gospel hymn moves us toward the summit of the Liturgy of the Word – the reading of The Holy Gospel. Gospel means “good news” – specifically the “good news of Jesus.”

H# 654 "Day by day"

GOSPEL OF THE DAY

This reading is taken from the four Gospels (Mathew, Mark, Luke and John), which depict the life, teachings, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. We stand for the Gospel reading to show the particular importance placed on Jesus' word and actions.

Luke 10:25-37

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

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

Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. “Teacher,” he said, “what must I do to inherit eternal life?” He said to him, “What is written in the law? What do you read there?” He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.” And he said to him, “You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.” But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, “And who is my neighbor?” Jesus replied, “A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan while traveling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, ‘Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend.’ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?” He said, “The one who showed him mercy.” Jesus said to him, “Go and do likewise.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people are seated at the invitation of the Presider.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Will Scott

The sermon directly follows the Gospel because it is to be grounded in the scriptures. It illuminates the spiritual readings and relates them to daily life. A period of silence follows the Sermon.

The people stand as able.

THE NICENE CREED

The word “creed” comes from the Latin “credo” for “I believe”. First formulated at the Council of Nicaea in 325 AD and confirmed in 381 AD, the Nicene Creed is said at the Holy Eucharist and reflects what Christians believe regarding the relationship between the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit: The Holy Trinity.

Leader: Let us affirm our faith by saying together:

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 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.***

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 PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

We pray for ourselves and particularly on behalf of others. In our prayers we pray for the Universal Church, the nation and all who govern, the welfare of the world, the concerns of our community of faith, including those who are in need or suffer, and for the departed. We are reminded in prayer that we are part of a larger fellowship, the Church—the Body of Christ.

Silence

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader Holy One, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People ***That we all may be one.***

Leader In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Church of North India. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for those working in prison ministries across the diocese – in county jails, federal prisons, and with those on death row. In the St. Anselm's Cycle of Prayer we pray for our Deanery Delegation. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People ***That your Name may be glorified by all people.***

Leader We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons especially for Sean our Presiding Bishop; for Austin, our Bishop; for Will our Rector and for Naomi our Deacon.

People ***That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.***

Leader We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People ***That there may be justice and peace on the earth.***

Leader Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

People ***That they may be delivered from their distress.***

Leader Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People ***That our works may find favor in your sight.***

Leader Give to the departed eternal rest.

People ***Let light perpetual shine upon them.***

Leader We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People ***May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.***

Leader Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Leader I invite those who are with us via Zoom to offer their prayers, either silently or aloud. When you have concluded, please say **“In Your Mercy”** to which the congregation is invited to respond **“Hear Our Prayer.”**

When they are finished:

Leader I invite those who are present to offer their prayers, either silently or aloud. When you have concluded, please say **“In Your Mercy”** to which the congregation is invited to respond **“Hear Our Prayer.”**

CONFESSION OF SIN & ABSOLUTION

Confessing our sins, receiving forgiveness (absolution), and showing sign of peace to one another prepare us to receive Christ in the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Leader We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

All

***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***

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

THE PEACE

Presider The peace of the Christ be always with you.

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

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and then are seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, the deacon, presider and parish leaders may make announcements.

PRAYERS FOR THE INDIVIDUALS

Alan Swimmer

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS: *O Lord, watch over your children as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Ann & Jim Burns

PRAYERS FOR ANNIVERSARIES: *O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true Godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

PRAYER FOR TRAVELERS: *O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel, surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

Having listened to the Word of God, affirmed our faith, and shared in the peace, we are prepared for the drama and miracle of the Holy Communion. At the offertory, we gratefully offer back to God some of what God has given us, symbolically in the bread and wine, and in the money we give.

An offering is received to support the church's ministry of sharing God's love. All are invited to make a gift as the plate is passed or online at: <https://stanselms.us/give>

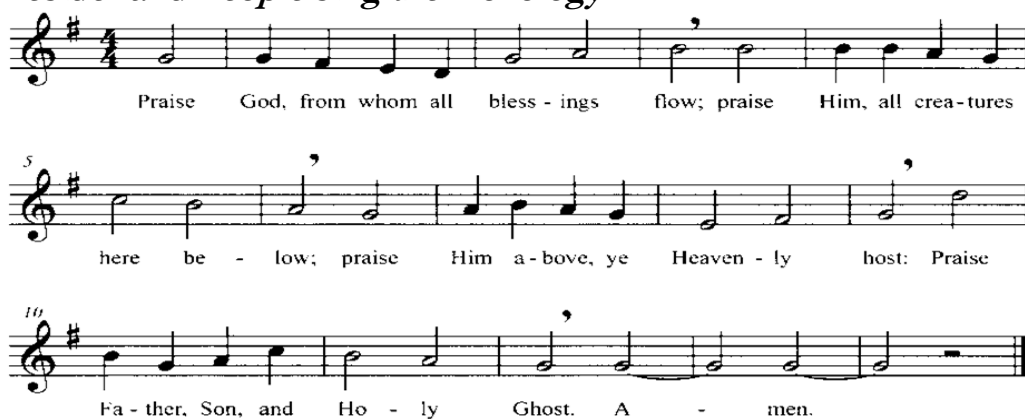
OFFERTORY HYMN

H#649 "O Jesus, joy of loving hearts"

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

In the Great Thanksgiving, we do what Jesus himself asked us to do: thank God and recall all that God has done for us in the life, death and resurrection of Christ. The Great Thanksgiving, or Eucharistic Prayer, is a long prayer with four parts. Each of these four parts corresponds to a different action of Jesus at the Last Supper, where he took, blessed, broke, and gave bread and wine as sacraments of his body and blood. We begin the Great Thanksgiving with the Sursum corda, meaning "Lift up your hearts."

Presider and People sing the Doxology



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. A - men.

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Presider and People

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.

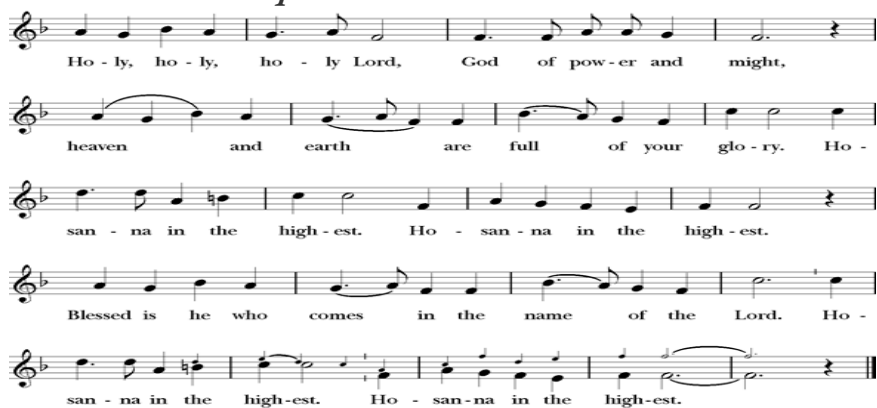
People ***It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Presider

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Presider and People



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

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The Presider continues

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, 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.

Again, he gave thanks to you, 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."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with St Anselm and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, forever and ever. **AMEN.**

The people remain standing.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray together the prayer that Jesus taught his disciples to pray. The link between our daily bread and the spiritual food we receive in the Eucharist is an ancient connection.

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

Presider and People

***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 forever. Amen.*

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Presider breaks the bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People ***Though we are many, we are one body, because we all share in the one bread.***

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The people are seated.

All are invited to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing.

Please proceed to the altar rail, depart your pew from the right, as directed by the ushers. Please return to your pew from the left.

At St Anselm's we are sharing a common cup. If you wish grape juice, please tell the assistant.

Gluten free wafers are available. Please assist us by placing your right hand on your chest so that you may be served accordingly.

If you do not wish to receive the bread and wine, but would like a blessing, please indicate this by crossing your arms across your chest.

If you are unable to approach the altar rail, please stand in place and the table ministers will bring Communion to you.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

The people stand as able.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider 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 forever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

THE BLESSING

The Presider blesses the people, and the people respond, Amen.

Presider

The Wisdom of God the Love of God and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world, in the name of the Holy Trinity. **Amen.**

(source: Enriching Our Worship, Celtic)

RECESSIONAL HYMN

H# 684 "O for a closer walk with God"

THE DISMISSAL

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People ***In the name of Christ. Amen.***

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH: Christian Formation Commission

TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS are donated by Ann and Jim Burns in thanksgiving for family, friends and good health.

SAVE THE DATE – ST. ANSELM'S SUMMER PARISH/PRESCHOOL PICNIC

Saturday, August 16th from 4:00 to 6:00pm, more details to follow.

JUNE & JULY OUTREACH – 10,000 LUNCHES

Join us today as we hear from Brett Lorie, teacher from Joaquin Moraga Middle School in Moraga to learn more about 10,000 Lunches. After services, we will pack lunches with provisions from our congregation for Brett to distribute. We need easy to open proteins like Vienna Sausages, or pouches of tuna/chicken with crackers, decorative napkins, individual servings of fruit (fruit cups, apple sauce packets). Thank you!

The mission of 10,000 Lunches is to alleviate hunger in homeless communities by empowering middle and high school students as they prepare and provide meals. Brett Lorie has been a passionate supporter of 10,000 lunches for 20+ years. He organizes students to prepare bagged lunches that they then distribute throughout Oakland to people in the homeless communities. We will collect non-perishable items and decorate bags to put the food items in and then pass them on the Brett to distribute. Please note all items should be individual size portions - think snack size.

We will gladly take the following items: granola bars, juice boxes/bags, small cans of tuna or spam, small peanut butter, instant oatmeal, fruit cups, and applesauce. Please see the list on [Amazon here](#).

RUMMAGE SALE

Wanted: gently used items in good working order with no missing parts. Please save and donate items which can be brought to church in late August. Rummage Sale will take place on Saturday, September 27th from 9am to 4pm. Proceeds go toward church repairs such as lighting and solar panels. Looking for volunteers to help. For questions, please speak to committee members: Iris Hillman: iris_hillman@comcast.net, 925-381-2936; Sylvia Williams sw94565@yahoo.com, 925-586-0730; Janice Carrigan and Maggie McCloskey.

"CADENCE" SUMMER MUSICAL WORKSHOP

This summer, our Director of Music, Chris Kula, will lead a series of creative Tuesday afternoon workshops for kids ages 8–12. Running through June and July, the program will explore singing, composition, improvisation, poetry, and drama—with two “cadence” performances marking the culmination of each month’s classes. Participants will even help create an original Christmas medley to be performed in December! Enrollment is limited. For more information about this program or other choirs at St. Anselm’s, email sing@cadencechoir.com.

COUNTERS NEEDED

Each week there is a team of two people, one Vestry member and one congregation member who will take responsibility for counting and recording cash and checks on a written counter form and preparing the deposit. Each vestry member is required to be a counter as a part of their commitment to the vestry. We have a few dedicated parishioners who have stepped up to fill the congregation member role. However, we don’t have people signed up to perform this important role for the church. Please contact Peg Matson for more information and/or to volunteer at plmatson@comcast.net or #925-381-1074.

COFFEE HOSTS NEEDED

Everyone is invited to enjoy conversation and refreshments in Jackson Hall, immediately following the service. We are in need of volunteers to host coffee hour. Please sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044BADA722A2F85-coffee> or contact Sylvia Williams at 925-586-0730 to reserve a date. Thank you!

ST. ANSELM’S PRAYER CHAIN

The St. Anselm's Prayer Chain is a list of our parishioners and loved ones for whom prayers have been requested. Prayer is voluntary and on your own whenever you wish to pray. If you would like to receive the Prayer Chain or if you would like to add someone to the Prayer Chain, please email Vicki at vrpappas@gmail.com.

FRAUD ALERT

Please be aware that fake emails and texts from members of the congregation are being sent out asking for unspecified help: I need a favor from you, please text/email me back

as soon as possible. Please be careful and verify email addresses and phone numbers that you receive before responding to requests.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For personal inquiries, please contact Rector Will Scott: rector@stanselms.us.

For questions, please contact Office Manager Margaret Wolfe: margaret.w@stanselms.us. Please submit announcements by noon on Wednesday. Summer office hours: Wednesdays & Fridays 9am – noon, or by appointment.

For bookkeeping questions, please contact Bookkeeper Steve Zimmerman: bookkeeper@stanselms.us.

For choir questions, please contact Director of Music Chris Kula: choir@stanselms.music.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

Amos 8:1-12, Psalm 52, Colossians 1:15-28, Luke 10:38-24. If you would like to receive the readings on a weekly basis, please email parish@stanselms.us.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: July 13 - 19

Alan Swimmer

Ann & Jim Burns

COMING UP AT ST. ANSELM'S

July's Ministry of the Month: Christian Formation Commission

Sunday July 13th — Cancer Support Group will meet in the library and via Zoom at 11:30 a.m. To be invited, email Julie Rinkenberger at jripmaggie@hotmail.com.

Tuesday, July 15th — Morning Prayer will be led by Deacon Naomi via Zoom at 9:00 a.m. To be invited, email Deacon Naomi at orchidsnrch@yahoo.com.

Wednesday, July 16th — Contemplative Prayer Gathering will meet from 9:00a.m. – 9:45 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Thursday, July 17th — Evening Bible Study will meet via zoom at 7:00 p.m. To be invited, email Deacon Naomi at orchidsnrch@yahoo.com.

Friday, July 18th — Lamorinda Village Strength & Balance Class from 11:30a.m. to 12:30p.m. in Parish Hall.

Sunday July 20th — Vestry will meet in the conference room and via Zoom at 11:30 a.m. Parishioners are welcome to attend vestry meetings or to listen in via Zoom.



Christian Formation Commission

What we do:

- Plan and organize opportunities for learning and faith formation
- Identify potential speakers, books and resources of interest to St. Anselm's members
- Track and vet learning resources from the national Episcopal Church, the Diocese of California, and other trusted sources

Key activities:

- Develop and promote annual Lenten educational series
- Host speakers and workshops on topics of interest
- Host occasional movie screenings and discussions on timely topics
- Facilitate and support devotional activities, retreats, and other formats that provide contemplation and reflection for members of the parish and community

How we work together:

- Meet via Zoom on an as-needed basis, typically 4-6 times per year
- Share responsibilities for identifying topics, reaching out to speakers, and vetting resources
- Manage a modest general fund budget to fund speaker honoraria and other direct expenses

Helpful characteristics for Commission members:

- Curiosity
- An ongoing desire to learn as an individual
- A commitment to support learning and deepen spiritual practice within our community

For more information contact:

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“TOGETHER WE SHINE” RUMMAGE SALE

(Funds needed for repairs to church, i.e. lighting system and solar panels)

Saturday, Sept. 27, 2025

9am to 4pm



WANTED: GENTLY USED - MEN’S & WOMEN’S CLOTHING, HATS, BELTS, BAGS, SCARVES, PURSES, SHOES, TIES & SUNGLASSES. CHILDREN’S CLOTHES, CAMPING EQUIPMENT, & SPORTING GOODS, BALLS, RACKETS, SCOOTERS & SKATEBOARDS. HOUSEHOLD ITEMS, TOOLS & GADGETS. JEWELRY, BOOKS, PLANTS, GARDEN TOOLS, PET SUPPLIES, LUGGAGE, LAMPS, COSTUMES, CHRISTMAS & HALLOWEEN DECORATIONS, CRAFTS AND ART SUPPLIES, PICTURE FRAMES, ETC. ETC.

“One person’s trash is another person’s treasure”

“If I haven’t used it in the past 5 yrs. I probably won’t ever use it or need it.”

Spring Cleaning is a great opportunity to get rid of unwanted items that are in good shape and good working condition. Please save and donate them to the Fall Rummage Sale. We have very limited storage space at the church and ask that you store donations at home until 6 weeks before the sale. If it is not possible to store items at home, call Iris or Sylvia, to make storage arrangements. Please do not drop off any donations outside the office door.

Clothes should be clean and in good condition, tools and electric items in good working order with no frayed cords or missing parts. We can handle small furniture items that can be put into a car. No sofas, beds, oversized chairs. Cleaned and polished items will be more salable and appealing than those that are rusted or dusty. Ask your neighbors to donate also.

If you’d like to help oversee a table at the sale on Sept. 27, please let us know. We’re going to need volunteers!

For more information, please contact committee members:

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Janice Carrigan and Maggie McCloskey

SERVING TODAY:

Presider: The Rev. Will Scott, Deacon: The Rev. Naomi Chamberlain-Harris, Director of Music: Chris Kula, Lector: Joni Pearce, Allen Zhang, Lay Eucharist Minister: Marian Mulkey, Altar Guild: Dharmini Harichandran, Edee Allison, Peg Matson, Matt Chayt, Chris Louie, Coffee Hosts: The Holy Spirit, Counters: Bob Eddy, Vestry Person of the Day: Dharmini Harichandran, Videography: Chris Young, David Rowe, Henry Rosenberg

STAFF: The Rev. Will Scott, Rector; The Rev. Naomi Chamberlain-Harris, Deacon; Chris Kula, Director of Music; Margaret Wolfe, Office Manager; Steve Zimmerman, Bookkeeper; Holly Higgins, Preschool Director, Marian Mulkey, Treasurer

VESTRY:

Class of 2026: Bob Eddy, Peg Matson-Sr. Warden, Joni Pearce-Clerk, David Rowe

Class of 2027: Hank Gatlin, Dharmini Harichandran, Iris Hillman, Katie Taggart-Jr. Warden

Class of 2028: Pamela Green, Sheila Riedy, Maggie McCloskey, Julia Starr

DEANERY DELEGATES: Bob Eddy, Georganne Eddy, Marty Fischer

COMMISSIONS & MINISTRIES: Altar Guild-Sylvia Williams, Christian Formation-Anne Brown, Lay Eucharist Ministers/Lectors- Judy Peak, Parish Life-Sylvia Williams, Property-JP Zhang, Service/Outreach- Joni Pearce, Stephen Ministry-Vicki Pappas, Stewardship-Katie Taggart, Worship-Judy Peak

*All are invited to make a gift to support St. Anselm's ministry of sharing God's love.
As the plate is passed * Online at <https://stanselms.us/give>
- Thank you for your generosity.*



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