



St. Francis
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

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The Weekly Franciscan

The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 13th, 2024

You are welcome to the

8:00 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist Rite I with
the Rev. E. Weston Mathews, Celebrant and Preacher
and

10:00 a.m. Service of Holy Eucharist Rite II with
the Rev. E. Weston Mathews, Celebrant and Preacher
and the St. Francis Choir

Children's Chapel is offered during the Sermon

Coffee Hour Follows Each Service in Millen Hall

[The 10:00 a.m. Service is also live-streamed on YouTube](#)

[View this Sunday's Worship Bulletin](#)

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading | [Job 23:1-9, 16-17](#)

The Response | [Psalm 22:1-15](#)

The Second Reading | [Hebrews 4:12-16](#)

The Gospel Reading | [Mark 10:17-31](#)

Parish Prayer List

We pray especially for Christine, Clara Sue, David, Jessica, Jon, Tracey & David, Grace, Jennie, Sofia & Larry, Valerie, Rick, Debra, Eileen, Catht, Taylor, Nancy, Bishop Issac, Kelly & Alex, Nancy, Nick & Hilary, Linn, Joe & Molly, Ellen and Dut. We pray also for Kelsey Pendergraft and Duncan Haight as they prepare for Holy Matrimony.

Altar Flowers

Sunday's Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by the Sanders Family in celebration of Jeff and Michelle's 19th Wedding Anniversary on October 15th.

NOTE: Please remember to wear your name badges on Sundays this fall to help Father Weston as he learns the names of our parishioners.



THANK YOU!



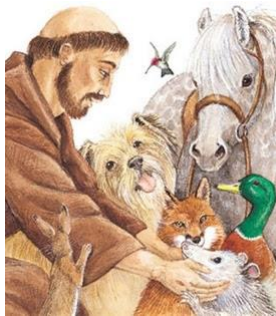


Thank you to all who participated in supporting this hugely successful event at St. Francis Church this past Friday, October 4th. Although 80 were requested, a whopping 118 volunteers arrived to work at the church, packing 15,000 meals for those in hunger. Many of these volunteers were walk-ins. We had lots of St. Francis parishioners, Troop 55 Scouts, YMSL (Young

Men's Service League) and even some folks who simply drove by and saw our sign. It was a wonderful, energetic, fun time! Please stay tuned as we learn more from RAH about where these meals will go.

For more information on the Rise Against Hunger program, go to <https://www.RiseAgainstHunger.org>

Blessing of the Animals Recap



The Blessing of the Animals was *Purr-fectly Barktacular* with 35 People + 13 Dogs + 1 Cat.

Thank you to all creatures great and small for participating this year.



*** Featuring the Difficult Run Jazz Band ***

St. Francis Fall Marketplace

This year, the newly named St. Francis Fall Marketplace will feature the **Difficult Run Jazz Band** and include vendors, bake sale, rummage sale, books, hotdog lunch, and more!

We need volunteers. If you're interested in helping out or are just curious about the event, please contact Leslie Siegmund or Sandy Walker.

Sponsors Needed for Fall Marketplace

The St. Francis Fall Marketplace will occur on October 19, but you can help right now by making a donation as a sponsor. Sponsor money helps with upfront costs and is a great way to contribute to this effort. Any amount is welcome. Just note "Marketplace Sponsor" on the memo line of your check. Thanks so much!

Rummage Sale: Time to Get Rid of Stuff!

The **Women's Group of St. Francis** will be hosting a *Rummage Sale* during the St. Francis Fall Marketplace

Donations will be accepted on Sunday mornings, October 6th and October 13th.

Tables for your donations will be set up in Millen Hall.

We welcome household goods including kitchenware, glassware, small working appliances, linens, gently used clothing, artwork, decorative items, children's toys etc. Small furniture pieces (i.e end tables, small chairs) accepted. Please, no items heavier than 15 lbs. Items not sold at the rummage sale will be donated to local charities.

New this year: We're accepting your "Luxury Items," which would be higher-end items (\$25 and up, up, up), and we'll feature them at a special table!

Questions? Need to coordinate another drop-off time? Please contact **Janet Durfee**.

**Used Books, Paperbacks and Hardbacks Needed
(No Textbooks, please!)**

Donate them to be sold at the Books Booth, dropping them off Sundays at Church in Millen Hall. Need to arrange an alternate drop-off time? Contact Kathy Anderson.

Crafters and Woodworkers Needed!

We're planning to sell crafts at the Fall Marketplace, and we need crafters to contribute! Any kind of handmade item is welcome, including Christmas ornaments, baby items, woodcrafts, etc.

Call **Clara Sue Ashley** for more information.

Basket Auction at the St. Francis Marketplace

Last year our Basket Auction at the St. Francis Rummage Sale was a HUGE success... So – it will be on again!

We need your creative juices to think about super fun and biddable baskets. They should be based on an exciting concept and filled with corresponding goodies. We know there is no end to the imagination of our fellow Franciscans!

Because of space constraints, we absolutely must know in advance if you plan to

donate a basket. [Click here to let us know you will be preparing a basket.](#)

Questions? Contact **Jennifer Murphy**.

It's Time to Begin Baking for the Country Kitchen

Cookies, pies, rolls, cakes, scones, breads, muffins, etc. can be prepared now and frozen. If you don't have freezer room, the church freezer has enough space.

Please label your donation(s) with your name and the contents of your container.

Home canned products are also welcome.

Please contact **Kris Young** for more details and to sign up. Thank you!

Chili Cook-off in Millen Hall to Support Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington, Sunday, October 27th at 5:00pm



Do you like to cook chili? Then cook up your special recipe and be part of this annual competition! Bring your chili in a crockpot -- and an extension cord -- at 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 29.

Do you like to eat chili? Then bring family and friends, sample the chilis, and vote for your favorite! If you aren't bringing chili, please consider bringing drinks

(alcoholic or not), salad, cornbread, chips, or a dessert. This event is a fundraiser for Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington. Donations will be welcome and can be made at the door.

Questions? **Contact Kevin or Jessica Maxson.**

**Come Join St. Francis Church and the Creche at the Great Falls SPOOKTACULAR Event!
Sunday, October 27th, 7:00 p.m.
at the Great Falls Village Green**

Come dressed in a costume and bring your children to Trick or Treat at 7:00 p.m. Join our Priest-in-Charge, Weston Mathews (a.k.a. "Willy Wonka") and Creche Director, Cristi Leslie (a.k.a. "Minnie Mouse") at the St. Francis & Creche table at this event -- and don't forget to get some candy for yourself!



**Sasha
Beresovsky's
Concert:
Saturday, November 2nd at
4:00 p.m. in Great Falls
home**

There are still seats available, but going fast, for this special concert by our



Organist, Sasha Beresovsky, to be held on Saturday, November 2 at 4:00 pm.

Come and enjoy Sasha's marvelous talent **at Ray and Jennifer Murphy's home in Great Falls**. Sasha's lovely sounds will be followed by a festive reception provided by the Ward and Murphy families.

The cost to attend is \$50 per person. Reserve your spot now. All proceeds will go to Outreach for distribution to the community.

To pay on-line, [click here and choose "Auction Concert" from the drop down box](#) or put a check in the Sunday collection plate with "Auction Concert" in the memo line.

Attendees will be furnished the address and parking instructions prior to the event.



All Saints' Sunday: November 3rd

In preparation for our **All Saints' Sunday Remembrance service at 10:00 a.m. this day**, we ask for digital photos of your dearly departed to be submitted to the parish administrator [by Sunday, October 20th](#). Thank

you! admin@stfranciscgreatfalls.org

An Adult Forum will be held at 11:15 a.m. with St. Francis Vestry & Priest-in-Charge, Weston Mathews to provide a community update on our progress with the SPAC (Strategic Planning & Action Committee) report and community Q&A, in Millen Hall, directly following worship.



Creche Singers Sunday & Guest Preacher Sunday, November 10th at 10:00 a.m. service

Join us at the **10:00 a.m. service** to see and hear the Creche Singers perform during the "Call to Worship."

An Adult Forum will be held at 11:15 a.m. with guest preacher Archdeacon Holly Hanback of the Episcopal Diocese of Virginia in Millen Hall, directly following worship.



Tables of 8

The 2024-2025 season of Tables of 8 has begun. There has been lots of interest, especially since our priest, Weston and his wife, Lorian, would like to have dinner with each of our groups. Tables have been chosen and folks will very soon be contacting their group to set up the first

dinner.

If you would like to be put on a waiting list or be an alternate, please email Kathy Anderson or Ryan Jannise.

We always welcome more participation!!

St. Francis Women's Group Upcoming Events

Fall Marketplace Rummage Sale: Volunteers needed for set up on **Oct 18** (late afternoon/early evening), and during the sale for 2-3 hour timeslots on Oct 19 (9am - 2pm). Contact Janet Durfee to sign up.

Weekly Friday morning coffee: Meet at Starbucks in the Great Falls Village on Friday mornings from 10:00-noon. Questions? Please email Ginger Roll rollginger@icloud.com

Hike at Great Falls Park Saturday, Oct 12th at 8:30am: Plan on a 1-hour hike on gradual hills and trails in the woods. Enter the park and take the first sharp right into the parking lot. Meet at the trailhead in the parking lot. Glad to pick people up at church prior. Contact Janet Durfee if you plan to attend.

Women's Group get-together planned for later this month: Details TBD.

Welcome Susan Kawmy as our new co-chair: Thank you Susan!

Questions/comments?: Contact co-chairs

Annette Bellino or **Susan Kawmy**.



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Langley High School Seeks Career Day Volunteers: THU-21-NOV at 9:30 a.m.

Can you spare two hours to talk to Langley High School students about your career? Langley's annual **Career Connections** is on **Thursday, November 21 from 9:30-11:30am**. This is a great event for students to hear from seasoned professionals about their career path and advice for high school students. Several parents or community members are needed. Complete the registration form [2024 Career Connections Registration Form](#) or contact langleycareerconnection@gmail.com with any questions ASAP.

Ongoing Weekly Activities

Morning Prayer offered MON-FRI, at 8:00 a.m. via Zoom.

All are invited to immerse themselves in this supportive offering from St. Francis Church where we regularly pray for one another and our mission in the world.

[Click here to connect to Morning Prayer via Zoom.](#)

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Contemplative Prayer: Mondays at 7:30-8:30 p.m.

We hope you can join us via Zoom videoconference.

For more information and any questions, please contact the coordinator for the program: Kathy Anderson.

[Click here to connect to Contemplative Prayer via Zoom.](#)

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