



St. Francis
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

9220 Georgetown Pike
Great Falls, Virginia 22066
www.stfrancisgreatfalls.org

The Weekly Franciscan

The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, October 20th, 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 38:1-7, \(34-41\)](#)

The Response | [Psalm 104:1-9, 25, 37b](#)

The Second Reading | [Hebrews 5:1-10](#)

The Gospel Reading | [Mark 10:35-45](#)

Parish Prayer List

We pray especially for Trevor, Clara Sue, David, Jessica, Jon, Tracey & David, Grace, Jennie, Sofia & Larry, Valerie, Rick, Debra, Eileen, Cathy, Taylor, Nancy, Bishop Issac, Kelly & Alex, Nancy, Nick & Hilary, Linn, 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 Kris Young in loving memory of Ted Johnson.

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



The Fall Marketplace is This Saturday

Please be there, anytime between 9 am and 2 pm. And bring your friends and family! This is an important fundraiser for the church and a time to invite the community to see and enjoy St. Francis. This year's event will feature the Difficult Run Jazz Band and include vendors, bake sale, rummage sale, books, crafts, hotdog lunch, and more!

We still need volunteers. If you're interested in helping out, please contact Leslie Siegmund at or Sandy Walker.

We also need Sponsors. 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!



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Our Future Is Bright

2025 Stewardship Campaign

Pledge packets go out in the mail this week. Please be on the look-out for more information in your mailbox about making a 2025 pledge to St. Francis.



Special St. Francis Creche Chapel

Wednesday, October 23rd at 10:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Featuring Guest Speaker and Creche Parent, Sondes Rihan

During this special Chapel, our Priest-in-Charge, Weston Mathews will partner with Creche Parent Sondes Rihan who will share about Islam and

her family culture.

**Chili Cook-off in Millen Hall to Support
Church of the Holy Family in Mills River, NC
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. 27. **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 Church of the Holy Family in Mills River, NC. (Our former Assistant Rector, Tracey Kelly's Church.) Donations can be made at the door.

All ages encouraged to wear your Halloween costumes... especially if you're planning to join Franciscans and the Creche at the Great Falls Village Center Spooktacular, following the Chili Cook-off. (Read more below.)

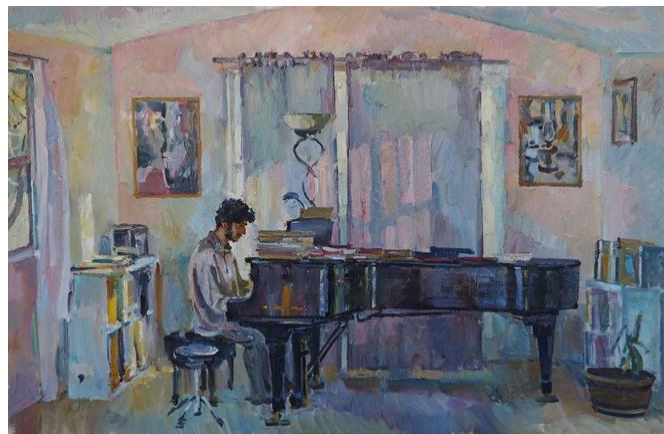
Questions? **Contact Kevin or Jessica Maxson**

**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](mailto:admin@stfrancisgreatfalls.org). Thank you! admin@stfrancisgreatfalls.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." In honor of Veteran's Day on Monday, November 11th, this service will also feature patriotic hymns.

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.

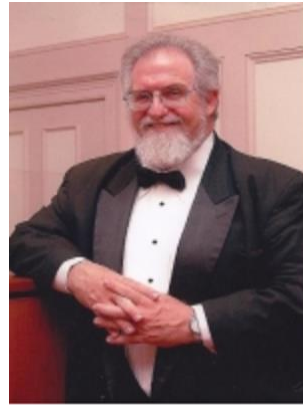


**Opera Afternoon in Collaboration with
Partners for the Arts**

**Sunday, November 10, 2024 at 4 p.m.
St. Francis Episcopal Church
9220 Georgetown Pike, Great Falls, VA**

Frank Conlon serves as both masterful accompanist and avuncular host on this tour of treasured classics of opera and with a quartet of soloists sponsored by Partners for the Arts. This favorite annual event is beloved both by devoted followers of the voice and all listeners captivated by song and story.

[To purchase tickets CLICK HERE.](#)



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 tomorrow, on **Oct 18** (late afternoon and early evening), and during the sale for 2-3 hour timeslots on Oct 19 (9am - 2pm). To sign up contact Janet Durfee.

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

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.](#)

Zoom ID: 968 1679 4908; Passcode: church

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.](#)

Zoom ID: 998 1159 6134; Passcode: church

Men's Group: Wednesdays 8:35 a.m.

Discussing: a six-week course on the book of Genesis entitled: *The Genesis Story: Reading Biblical Narratives*. Join us every Wednesday morning via Zoom. Questions?

Contact Stu Edwards at elchivogoat@cs.com

[Click here to connect to the Men's Group via Zoom.](#)

Zoom ID: 922 8116 0056; Passcode: church

St. Francis Social Hour meets on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.

Join us for casual conversation. Grab your favorite beverage and let's reconnect!

[Click here to connect to the St. Francis Social Hour.](#)

Zoom ID: 935 2210 0835; Passcode: church

Thursday Afternoon Bible Study at 5:00 p.m.

Meetings take place Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to join and participate in interesting discussions. For further information contact Amelia Logan.

[Click here to connect to the Thursday Afternoon Bible Study.](#)

Zoom ID: 884 6847 1928; Passcode: not needed

Second Story Dinners: Sundays at 5:15 p.m.

Needed: Volunteers to prepare and deliver Sunday dinners to the Second Story Teen Crisis Center on Gallows Road. Volunteers work solo or in pairs, according to their wishes.

Dinners are made on the first, third, fourth, and fifth Sundays of the month. The count for a meal typically ranges from five to eight persons. It has been as many as twelve. Volunteers receive reminders when their Sundays are coming up.

Please contact Jennifer Murphy if you would like to volunteer for this ministry or if you have any questions.

**Learn more about our
life at St. Francis**



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through our new

website stfranciscgreatfalls.org:

- worship services including daily Morning Prayer
- community concerts
- pastoral care
- Creche preschool ministries
- local and international outreach events
- fellowship opportunities
- Bible studies and small group opportunities including
Contemplative Prayer

Emergency Pastoral Number: 703.759.2082 x 102

Do you have a news item you would like to share through the Weekly Franciscan? Or do you have a photo from life at St. Francis you would like to submit? We welcome and rely on your participation.

admin@stfranciscgreatfalls.org

Clergy and Staff

The Rev. E. Weston Mathews, Priest-in-Charge

Mr. Larry Vote, Music Director

Mr. Sasha Beresovsky, Organist

Ms. Cristi Leslie, Creche Preschool Director

Mr. Dominic Pelegrin, Sexton

Ms. Rita Arteaga, Nursery Attendant

Ms. Lynn Fallon, Parish Administrator

2024 Vestry Members

Rick Larson, Senior Warden

Lynda Davis, Junior Warden

Cathryn Lee, Register

Kathy Anderson

Olivia Grady

Elizabeth Kim

Larry Pratt

Mike Semko

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