



St. Francis
in the Fields
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

We invite you to join us as an active participant in the same worship that Anglicans have been celebrating for centuries. Our service is from The Book of Common Prayer. Children of all ages are welcome in our worship services today.

ST. FRANCIS IN THE FIELDS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
HOLY EUCHARIST ~ RITE II

THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST - PROPER 10

Sunday, July 12, 2026 ~ 10:00 a.m.

The people's responses are in bold.

✠ Indicates a place where the people make the sign of the Cross.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

All stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 534

God is working his purpose out

PURPOSE

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

BCP p. 355

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

And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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.**

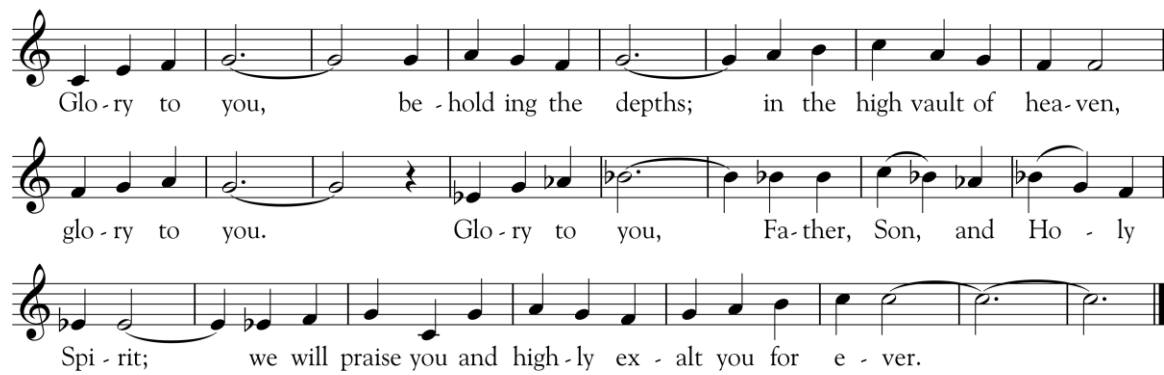
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Benedictus es, Domine

setting: John Rutter (b. 1950)

organ

Glo-ry to you, Lord God of our fa - thers; you are wor - thy of praise;
glo - ry to you. Glo - ry to you for the ra - di - ance of your
ho - ly Name; we will praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for e - ver.
Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty
glo - ry to you. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed be - tween the Cher - u -
bim; we will praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for e - ver.



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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 for ever. **Amen.**

The People sit.

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 55:10-13

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the Lord for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 65:9-14 *Te decet hymnus*

Plainsong

*You visit the earth and water it abundantly; you make it very plenteous;
the river of God is full of water.*

*You prepare the grain,
for so you provide for the earth.*

*You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges;
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.*

*You crown the year with your goodness,
and your paths overflow with plenty.*

*May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing,
and the hills be clothed with joy.*

*May the meadows cover themselves with flocks, and the valleys cloak themselves with grain;
let them shout for joy and sing.*

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 8:1-11

There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do: by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and to deal with sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, so that the just requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit. To set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For this reason the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law—indeed it cannot, and those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh; you are in the Spirit, since the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him.

But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit that dwells in you.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

The children are invited to join the Children's Procession to the Chapel by following the acolyte with the silver cross.

The People stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN 678

Surely it is God who saves me

COLLEGE OF PREACHERS

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 13:1-9,18-23

The People turn to face the Gospel Book during the Proclamation.

✠ The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen! Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People sit when directed by the Preacher.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Nathan Dearen

The People stand.

THE NICENE CREED

BCP p. 358

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Form II, BCP p. 385

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

The People kneel.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops; for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.

Pray for the Church.

Silence

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

✠ I ask your prayers for the departed...
Pray for those who have died.

Silence

I ask your prayers for ...

I ask your thanksgiving for our children and youth celebrating birthdays this week ...

Silence

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence is kept.

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.**

THE ABSOLUTION

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.**

All stand.

THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

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

The People sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

“Love bade me welcome” from Five
Mystical Songs

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–
1958)

Love bade me welcome: yet my soul drew back.
Guiltie of dust and sinne.
But quick-ey'd Love, observing me grow slack
From my first entrance in,
Drew nearer to me, sweetly questioning
If I lack'd anything.
A guest, I answer'd, worthy to be here:
Love said, You shall be he.
I the unkinde, ungrateful? Ah, my deare,
I cannot look on thee.
Love took my hand, and smiling did reply,
Who made the eyes but I?
Truth Lord, but I have marr'd them: let my shame
Go where it doth deserve.
And know you not, sayes Love, who bore the blame?
My deare, then I will serve.
You must sit down, sayes Love, and taste my meat:
So I did sit and eat.

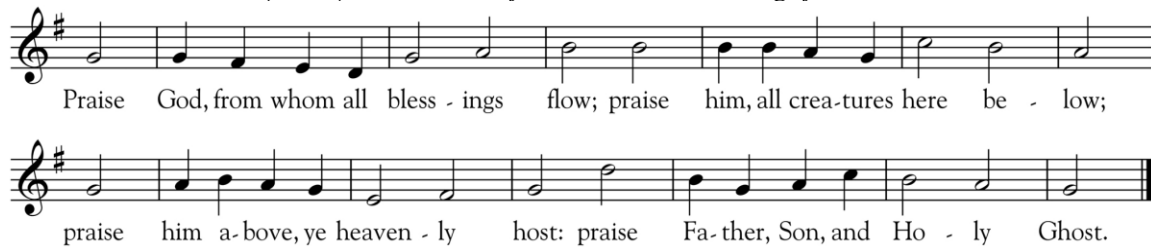
Words: George Herbert (1593–1633)

Aaron Eaves, *baritone*

The people stand as representatives of the congregation bring the people's offerings to the altar.

PRESENTATION HYMN 308 (ST 3) *Praise God, from whom all blessings flow*

OLD 100th



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer D, BCP p. 372

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

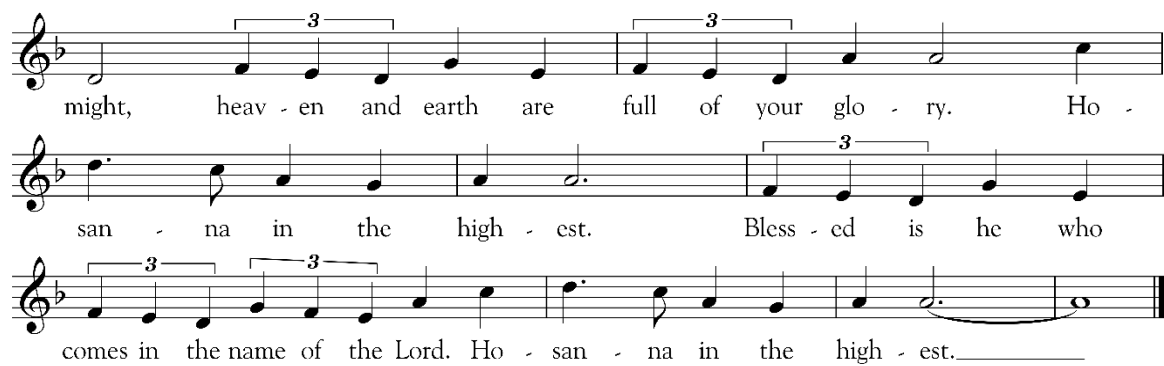
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing (say),

SANCTUS S-129

setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)





The People kneel. The Celebrant continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love...
...we praise you and we bless you.

**We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.**

The Celebrant continues the prayer.

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy... Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

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.

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

FRACTION ANTHEM S-169

My flesh is food, indeed

Ray Urwin (b. 1950)

Cantor/Choir
My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

People
My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

Cantor/Choir
Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood dwell in me and I in them.

People
My flesh is food in - deed, and my blood is drink in - deed, says the Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

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.

All baptized persons are invited to receive Holy Communion. Our ushers will direct you to the altar rail at the appropriate time. If you are not

baptized or do not wish to receive communion, you are invited to come forward for a blessing; you may indicate you are not receiving communion by crossing your arms across your chest. Those desiring baptism are encouraged to speak to one of our priests. During the administration of communion, the people may be seated. For those who wish to have a gluten free wafer, please close your hands and alert the priest when you are at the altar. Those who would like to receive healing prayer are invited to the Chapel after receiving communion. You may enter the Chapel (through the door to the left as you face the altar), and a trained healing prayer minister will pray for you.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

“Jesus, Savior, pilot me”

Stephen Casurella (b. 1973)

Jesus, Savior, pilot me
Over life's tempestuous sea;
Unknown waves before me roll,
Hiding rock and treacherous shoal.
Chart and compass come from Thee;
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.
As a mother stills her child,
Thou canst hush the ocean wild;
Boisterous waves obey Thy will,
When Thou sayest to them, “Be still!”
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea,
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.
When at last I near the shore,
And the fearful breakers roar
'Twill me and the peaceful rest,
Then, while leaning on Thy breast,
May I hear Thee say to me,
Fear not, I will pilot thee.

Words: Edward Hopper (1818–1888)

COMMUNION HYMN 440

Blessed Jesus, at thy word

LIEBSTER JESU

The People kneel.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

BCP p. 365

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, and the blessing of God almighty ☩ the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit keep you now and forever. **Amen.**

All stand.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 530

Spread, O spread, thou mighty word

GOTT SEI DANK

THE DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.



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CHILDREN'S CHAPEL AND NURSERY CARE

Children's Chapel is offered during the 10:00 a.m. services and is an opportunity for children ages 3 through fifth grade to come and worship together in the beautiful Davenport Chapel and listen to an age-appropriate lesson. We learn about the liturgy, prayer, and hymns. The children return to the service during the passing of the peace. Infants to children four years old are welcome in the nursery, located on the lower level.

WAYS TO GIVE

- **GIVE in Person:** Place your gift in the offering plate
- **GIVE on our Website:** Online at onrealm.org/stfrancisinthefields/give/now
- **GIVE on our Mobile Church App:** Install the Realm Connect app on your smartphone, log in, and select "Give"

PARISH PRAYERS

Please pray for those in our parish with needs ... Geoff Brandreth, Don Lurding, Blair Louis, Catharine Birch, David Birch, Allan Birch, Don Graeter, Tom Kelley, Ina Bond, Joe Caruso, Derek Churchill, George Thacker, Delia Walker, and Joan Koester.

Pray for those in our parish who serve in the military ... 2LT Baxter Argo, 1LT Brian Bongiovi, CPT Drew Borinstein, SPEC4 Danilo Caldeira, MMN2 Charles Floyd, MIDN John Floyd, LTJG Sam Floyd, SP5 Calvin Gall, MAJ Hardy Hendren, 1LT Cason Nelson, MIDN Christopher Paris, LTJG Will Paris, FN Joe Parsons, CPT Chris Russo, LCDR Kristen Blair Samardzic, CDR Serge Samardzic, CPT Luke Schmidt, Jr., and CDR Lawrence Williams.

Pray for those children and youth celebrating their birthdays this week ... Charlie Price and Aurora Koch.

Pray for ... our brothers and sisters who suffer for the sake of Christ, especially the Church in Hong Kong.

Pray for ... our enemies and those who wish us harm.

If you have a family member or friend who you would like added to the Parish Prayers, please notify the parish office.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers this Sunday are given to the glory of God by Dan and Bunny Abbott in loving memory of Douglas Abbott.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

8:00	<i>Lector and Usher:</i>	Kennedy Simpson
10:00	<i>Lectors:</i>	Jackson Andrews, Rob King
	<i>Chalice Bearers:</i>	Nathan Cedor, Laura Kellow, Mary Davis, Doreen Bond
	<i>Acolytes:</i>	Alejandro Brown, Maximo Brown, Mia Brown, Sarah Leonhardt
5:00	<i>Lector:</i>	Steve Brown
	<i>Altar Guild:</i>	Andrea Vice, Lauren Theobald, Amy Lavin, Nathan Cedor, Mandy Decker, Margaret Barlow, Nancy Laird
	<i>Flower Delivery:</i>	Sallie Clark, Laura Kellow

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donate Furniture for Youth! Do you have any couches, large area rugs, coffee tables, chairs, or bean bags sitting around in storage or going unused? Looking for an excuse to upgrade your current couch? We would love to use it! The youth will be using some new spaces on campus this program year. Most of these rooms are currently unused or will be repurposed, so we need your help to furnish them! Please contact Fr. Nathan for more information!

Retro Bowling Night ... Saturday, July 25, 5:00-7:00 p.m. Parishioners and families of all ages are invited to join us for a fun night of bowling, pizza, and fellowship at the Louisville Turners Club! We'll have all our lanes at their vintage, 1960s inspired alley to ourselves for an evening of fellowship and friendly competition. Registration includes shoe and ball rental, pizza, and soft drinks: \$5 per person, or \$15 for the family. Space is limited, so register on Realm today! Questions? Contact Mthr. Barbara or Fr. Nathan.

Rector's Forum: Songs of Faith ... August 2 and 9 at 9:00 a.m. What do ancient hymns from the Jerusalem Temple have to do with us today? Join us for a summer forum in August to find out! Dr. Duane Garrett, professor of Old Testament and author of a new commentary on the Psalms will lead a two-part forum this August exploring the Psalms and their enduring relevance for our lives of faith today.

Rector's Forum: Ephesians ... Sundays at 10:15 a.m. beginning August 16 Join us this fall in Rector's Forum for our seven-week Bible study, "Ephesians: Identity, Unity, and Spiritual Warfare." Beginning with the soaring doxology of Chapter 1 and moving through Paul's vision of a united, gift-driven church to the practical demands of marriage, work, and spiritual warfare, this study will ground you in who you are in Christ and what that means for every relationship you have. No prior Bible study experience is required—just a willingness to dig in.

Fall Tuesday Bible Study: Heavenly Temple ... Tuesdays beginning August 18, 9:30-11:30 a.m. For generations, Christians have been fascinated by the glittering picture of Christ's redemption of the cosmos laid out by the unknown author of the Letter to the Hebrews. Drawing extensively on the Old Testament, this early Christian address is liturgical, theological, cosmic, and practical all at once. This fall, our Tuesday Bible Study, "Heavenly Temple: The Letter to the Hebrews," will discover afresh the challenge and richness of this letter and its enduring significance for disciples of Jesus Christ today. Join us beginning August 18 at 9:30 a.m. in Graves Hall. The class includes a one-hour lecture followed by optional small group discussion. Registration is open now! There is no charge to attend, but we gladly accept a \$10 donation to cover the cost of printing materials for this study.

GriefShare ... Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. beginning August 19 GriefShare is a 13-week support group for those dealing with the difficulties of grief, and it will begin this fall on August 19, meeting in the Miller Room on Wednesday nights. GriefShare at St. Francis in the Fields is a safe place for those grieving the loss of someone to come and find support and encouragement to move forward in your grief journey with hope and without forgetting. Sign up today by visiting the link on our website and in Realm.

YOUTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ice Cream Thursdays ... July 23, 7:00-8:00 p.m. This summer, the Youth of St. Francis will be hanging out at Graeter's Ice Cream in Springhurst! Join us for a time of fellowship as we stay connected and pray with one another throughout the summer. Please bring money for ice cream!

Acolyte Training and Luncheon ... Sunday, August 8, at 11:15 a.m. Calling all active acolytes and anyone desiring to become an acolyte! We are having our annual training, and we want you to be there. Whether you are a seasoned veteran, or have never held a torch before, this training is for you. Training begins in the Nave immediately following the 10 a.m. service. There will be lunch to follow with information and time for families to ask questions about Ministry Scheduler.

Youth Confirmation ... Sundays at 10:15 a.m. beginning August 16 We invite all baptized youth that are at least entering the 8th grade to seek confirmation! This will involve 9 months of Sunday school classes and spiritual formation through prayer and service. To register, please sign up on Realm today!

Back to School Bash ... Sunday, August 16, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Help us kick off the new program year at the Youth of St. Francis! We are inviting parents to come hang out with us and see what happens at Sunday Night Youth Group. We will have dinner, pray together, and play get-to-know-you games from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.!

St. Francis in the Fields Leadership and Support Staff

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The Rev. Nathan Dearen, *Director of Youth and Family Ministries*
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Term Ending 2028

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