ANNOUNCEMENTS

Altar flowers given in thanksgiving for the life of June Harris, long-time member of St. Andrews.

Book Study group meets today, Sept 22, Oct 6 & 27, Nov 3 & 10

September 29th – Special Service with Julia Ayala Next Vestry Meeting - October 13th, 2024

October 13th – Feast of St. Francis Celebration

THE SERVICE LEADER

Rev. Stephanie Jenkins

LECTORS 8:00 Lessons – Nan Mazza 10:15 Lessons – Blake Dutcher 10:15 Prayers & Psalm – Paul James

> USHERS Carl Ryker

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER Ann Friedl

> Verger Blake Dutcher

PLEDGE PAYMENTS & CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED Between September 8th – 14^{th.} \$ 2,121.00

MUSICIANS David Gabriele – Pianist COUNTERS Harriet Lugo Carl Ryker

> ALTAR GUILD Ruth Dutcher Carla Wade

TECHNOLOGY Richard Ward

The 17^{TH} SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST SEPTEMBER 15^{TH} 2024 – 8:00AM & 10:15AM

OPENING HYMN: GLORIOUS THINGS OF THEE ARE SPOKEN • Blue Hymnal 522, Verses 1, 2, and 3

FIRST READING: Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakenswakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. ⁵The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious. I did not turn backward. ⁶I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. ⁷The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; ⁸he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

^{9a}It is the Lord God who helps me, who will declare me guilty?

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompence. He will come and save you. Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped. Then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert, the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

PSALM 116:1-8• PAGE 759 IN RED BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER SECOND READING: JAMES 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. ²For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. ³If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. ⁴Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. 5So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! ⁶And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. 7For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, ⁸but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. ¹⁰From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. "Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? ¹²Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

GOSPEL: Mark 8:27-38

²⁷Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi, and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" ²⁸And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah, and still others, one of the prophets." ²⁹He asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." ³⁰And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

³^rThen he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. ³²He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. ³³But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

³⁴He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. ³⁶For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? ³⁷Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? ³⁸Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

COMMUNION HYMN: LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER • Blue Hymnal 325

CLOSING HYMN: PRAISE TO THE LIVING GOD • BLUE HYMNAL 372, VERSES 1,3, AND 4

PRAYER REQUESTS:

St. Andrews in Grove. The Center for the Assistance of Infants and Families. The Ministry of Education and Welfare of Young Children in the Diocese of Uruguay Abbey, Bonnie, Butch, Cody, Colleen, The Cox Family, Craig, Dave, David, David M., Debbie L, Ellen, Elissa, Emelia, Emily, Everett Lees (Rector of Christ's Church, Tulsa), Glen B., Helen, Jean, Jeremy, June, The Lees Family, Leo, Leslie, Lucile, Martha, Noor, Rita, RL, Ryker, Scott, Sherry, Terry, and all military, and first responders. Souls Departed: June Harris, and Kay Love