

# WOLF WATCH

— WEEKLY E-NEWS —

## News for the Week of October 18

### All School

#### From the Head of School

In keeping with our plans to bring students back to campus five days a week, I'm pleased to share that **November 11 will be our students' first Wednesday on campus**. I also mentioned that we were looking for ways to enhance our students' on-campus experience while maintaining the health and safety of our community. While this news was met with a great deal of enthusiasm, we also received questions requesting clarification. I wanted to share a little more about those measures and our timeline:

- Dining Hall—Last week, our Lower and Middle School students began eating lunch in the Dining Hall, rotating days by grade level.
- Playground—Tomorrow, we will start rotating Lower School classes on the playground.
- Chapel—In-person Chapel will begin for each division this week as well, and more details about what that will look like are included below.
- Winter Athletics—We will begin winter athletics on Monday, November 2. Protocols are currently being reviewed by our COVID-19 Task Force, and we will share sports-specific details with our Middle and Upper School students soon.
- Fine Arts—Our fine arts team is working with the COVID-19 Task Force to find additional ways to enhance our students' experience.

**Our division heads have shared more details in their updates, so please take time to review the information for your child's division.** As always, thank you for reaching out to us with your thoughts and concerns, and for doing your part to keep our St. Francis community safe and healthy.

In partnership,

Steve Lovejoy, MEd  
Head of School

## Chapel Update—LIVE Zoom

Fr. Wismer and Rev. Heinemann are excited to announce that Chapel is going LIVE!

- This week, Lower and Middle School students will begin rotating into the Chapel for worship, while Upper School students will worship in the Crum Loft.
  - Students will continue to follow social-distancing standards within the worship spaces.
  - Cohorts/classes not attending in person will join via Zoom.
- Primary School students will begin outdoor Chapel experiences.
- For full details, please see "On Campus - Live Zoom" in [The Chapel Plan](#).

## From Our New Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Coordinator

Wearing two hats can be seen as a challenge, but for me, it has been a blessing since joining the St. Francis community. The newly added position of diversity, equity, and inclusion coordinator was not only timely, but very well received. I am enthusiastic about the opportunities to connect with students, faculty, administrators, and families to recognize and support the school's needs and interests in a manner that will provide intentional growth in the areas of diversity, equity, and inclusivity, while simultaneously supporting the work of the strategic plan.

Here is a snapshot of some of the recent activities we have undertaken as an institution:

- Created library of resources for all divisions featuring literature about diversity and anti-racism
- Offering literacy and anti-racism series to faculty, staff, and administrators, presented by Independent Schools Association of the Southwest
- Collaborating with JEDI Upper School program
- Created *Language and Literacy* series for the Primary School, with a component dedicated to diverse books
- Preparing to participate in the People of Color Conference and the Student Diversity Leadership Conference
- Joining the Episcopal Diocese of Texas Task Force on Diversity in Private Education

St. Francis's mission to be *people for others* serves as the foundation of this important work, which is grounded in respecting differences, building empathetic relationships, and bringing out the best in each one of us.

With gratitude,

Kenyetta Wynn, EdD  
Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Coordinator  
Assistant Head of Primary School

## **Join Us for Fellowship and a Flash Sale!**

Please join us from **8:15 to 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, October 29**, in the main courtyard of Piney Point Campus **or on Friday, October 30**, in the northeast corner of Crum Patio on Couper Campus as we enjoy coffee and breakfast tacos courtesy of the St. Francis Fund Committee and clean out the Wolf Wear closet!

- We have a limited number of sizes and styles of last year's shorts, T-shirts, and hoodies, as well as other Wolf Wear spirit items that we would love to offer to the St. Francis community.
- We can only accept payment by check and credit card, and masks are required while shopping.

We hope to see you there!

## **Spread the Word! Admissions Outdoor Open House—November 7 and 8**

For a taste of the authentic St. Francis experience, join us for food, fun, and (socially distanced) fellowship!

### **PRIMARY AND UPPER SCHOOL PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES**

Saturday, November 7  
10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.  
Couper Campus

### **LOWER AND MIDDLE SCHOOL PROSPECTIVE FAMILIES**

Sunday, November 8  
2:00–4:00 p.m.  
Piney Point Village Campus

## **Holiday Travel Plans?**

The Thanksgiving and Christmas holiday seasons are not too far away. As you potentially make plans to travel, please keep in mind the availability of our remote-learning platform. Given what we are learning about disease transmission timelines, exposure, symptoms, and testing, it may be in your family's best interest to use a combination of remote and on-campus learning upon your return from any trips.

## **An Important Note About SchoolPass**

Thank you for completing your child's daily wellness check each morning on SchoolPass. This screening tool continues to help support our health protocols.

- **We are now moving to expand the use of SchoolPass for our afternoon dismissal, and we need your assistance.**
- Please log into your parent SchoolPass app and check to be sure that you have completed all information for family members, grandparents, nannies, or others who will be part of your family's carpool.
- We also need each parent and driver to complete the field for the license plate number.
- If you need assistance with the SchoolPass app, please [e-mail Steve Eisenberg](#), director of technology.

## **Pumpkin Carving Contest (Now Through Grade 11!)**

Students in kindergarten through eleventh grade are invited to participate in this year's special virtual St. Francis Pumpkin Carving Contest. [Click here for entry details.](#)

## **We Want Your Videos for Chapel!**

Throughout the month of October, we will feature videos of student prayer requests. Submit videos via the [Contribute to Chapel Form](#).

## **Virtue of the Month: Commitment**

During the month of October, the St. Francis community is focusing on commitment. Our virtue verse is Joshua 24:15: *"Choose this day whom you will serve ... but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord."* Try to memorize it as a family. You can find virtue resources [here](#).

**Table Talk:** Play the alphabet game. For each letter, name something that you could be committed to learning. (For example, A is Archery; B is Back Diving; C is Cooking a new recipe; etc.)

## **Primary School**

### **From the Division Head**

October brings cooler temperatures, trick or treating, and Developmental Continuum reports. The latter is not a treat I would expect on your child's October list, but it is on ours here in the Primary School. Our Developmental Continuum is a thoughtful reflection of children's social and academic development. This reporting instrument is

used to inform parents of their child's successes and growth areas and to provide parents with ways to support them.

Teachers dedicate a generous amount of their time each day to observing students and documenting their social, emotional, and language development. These anecdotal teacher notes and student assessments are used collectively in composing the written comments about your child's progress. Our new school management software system, Veracross, has been beneficial in updating the format of our Developmental Continuum. You should expect to see markings in the core competency areas of language literacy, social and emotional development, and math and science. In each core competency area, you will receive a written description of your child's development specific to that core competency area.

**The Primary School Developmental Continuum will be available to you in the Parent Portal on Tuesday, October 27.** This will give you an opportunity to review your child's report prior to your parent-teacher conference. I do hope you find our newly aligned and formatted Developmental Continuum easy to understand and informative.

Kind regards,

Clifton Walker, MEd  
Head of Primary School

### **Hearing and Vision Screenings Are Tomorrow**

St. Francis will be offering vision and hearing screenings on the Couper Campus for students who have turned 4 years old by September 1, 2020. Screenings will be provided tomorrow—**Monday, October 19.**

Here's what you need to know:

- State-certified screeners conduct the screenings during school hours.
- A copy of the results is provided for school files. Students who have not passed a screening will receive a referral form for follow-up with a physician or specialist.
- Students who wear glasses should bring them to school.
- We do not refer to the screening as a "test." Please help us by doing the same. The teachers will explain the process to our students, and they will discover that they are playing two games with the screeners.
- Screenings are nondiagnostic and are not intended to be an equal alternative to an in-depth exam by a licensed physician or specialist.

If you have any questions, please contact School Nurse Debbie Toler, RN, via [e-mail](#) or at 713.458.6167.

## **A Note About Return to M/W/F Schedule**

Three-day students in Pre-Primary and Primary I will be returning to their original Monday, Wednesday, Friday schedule starting the week of November 9. This includes Ms. Britton's, Mrs. Meriwether's, Mrs. Scriber's, and Ms. Burrow's three-day classes.

## **Sign Up Now for Parent-Teacher Conferences**

Primary School Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences are Wednesday, October 28. Please click the name of your child's teacher below to sign up for a time to meet. Please note that Ms. Burrow's and Mrs. Meriwether's 2-day classes will meet on a different day.

### **PRE-PRIMARY**

[Ms. Zuniga](#)

[Mrs. Oteiza](#)

[Mrs. Britton](#)

[Mrs. Meriwether 3-Day](#)

[Mrs. Meriwether 2-Day](#)

### **PRIMARY I**

[Ms. Burrow](#)

[Mrs. Scriber](#)

[Mrs. Capasso](#)

[Mrs. Ferguson](#)

### **PRIMARY II**

[Mr. Dominick](#)

[Mrs. Staller](#)

[Mrs. Owens](#)

[Mrs. Hughes](#)

[Mrs. Wiener](#)

## **Mark Your Calendar**

### **Wednesday, October 21**

- *Wellness Wednesday:* Everyone is remote; campus closed
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### **Thursday, October 22**

- *Primary School Language and Literacy Series:* "All About Reading With Your Child" via Zoom, 12:00–1:00 p.m.

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**Monday, October 26**

- *Primary School Picture Day*: For students in 5-day Pre-Primary, Mrs. Meriwether's 3-day class, and Primary II

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**Tuesday, October 27**

- *Primary School Picture Day*: For students in Mrs. Meriwether's 2-day class, Ms. Britton's class, and Primary I

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**Wednesday, October 28**

- *PS Parent-Teacher Conference Day via Zoom*: Student holiday

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**Wednesday, November 4**

- *Wellness Wednesday*: Everyone is remote; campus closed

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**Wednesday, November 11**

- *First Wednesday for students to be back on-campus*

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**Thursday, November 12**

- *Primary School Language and Literacy Series*: "Choosing Great Literature" via Zoom, 9:00–10:00 a.m.

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**Monday, November 23–Friday, November 27**

- *Thanksgiving Break*: Student holiday

## Lower School

### **From the Assistant Head of Lower School for Student Life**

I hope this fall season finds you and your family well. It has been great having the students back on campus during the last six weeks. Seeing the kids in the classrooms and around the campus has definitely lifted our spirits. We have been navigating our new normal together, and the kids have been a big part of our success. As the “student life guy,” I wanted to take this chance to let you know about some ways we are enriching your students’ school experience during this challenging time.

As Mr. Lovejoy mentioned in last week’s *Wolf Watch*, we have been looking for ways to reintroduce the “typical” St. Francis experiences to our students. We are beginning to introduce the following activities in Lower School:

- Last week, some Lower School students returned to the Dining Hall using a staggered daily schedule. Two classes a day will visit the Dining Hall to have lunch as we work out the logistics and ensure everyone’s safety. Eventually, we will send one grade level per day. The students are sitting with their homeroom class, and the tables and chairs have been arranged to allow proper social distancing while they are eating. Students will remove their masks to eat, but will replace them when finished eating so they can visit with friends. We’ve even been playing some fun music to liven up the dining experience! Teachers and administrators are distributing the food and monitoring the students during this time. The students who ate in the Dining Hall last week seemed to really enjoy the opportunity.
- Students will begin returning, one grade level at a time, to the Chapel to worship together. Again, this will be done with proper social distancing, with everyone wearing masks.
- Children will begin playing on the playground equipment, one class at a time. They will continue to wear masks when they are within six feet of each other. Students will also sanitize their hands before and after spending time on the playground equipment and will wash their hands upon returning to the classroom.
- The annual St. Francis Pumpkin Carving Contest will continue for students in kindergarten through eleventh grade. The contest will be held in a virtual format, and we are looking forward to receiving all the great submissions. [Click here for entry details.](#)
- We are saddened that we can’t welcome our amazing parents on campus to host our four parties for the year. Rest assured that we are planning a fun day for All Saints’ Day on October 30.

Again, we are so excited to be able to offer your kiddos some ways to get out of the classrooms for short periods of time while maintaining our safety protocols.

Have a great week!

Ryan Kochel, MEd  
Assistant Head of Lower School for Student Life

### **Important Info About This Week's Hearing and Vision Screenings**

State-certified screeners will be conducting screenings for vision and hearing at St. Francis this **Monday, October 19, and Tuesday, October 20**. This screening is **required** for certain ages and grade levels, as follows:

- All new students ages 4 and older
- All 4-year-olds (as of September 1, 2020)
- All kindergarteners

On **Thursday, February 4, and Friday, February 5**, the following remaining students will be screened:

- All students in grades 1, 3, 5, and 7 (*Please note that students in these grade levels will also be screened for Type 2 diabetes. This is not a blood test and is completely noninvasive.*)

If your child will be screened, please make sure he or she attends school on the screening dates.

### **Mark Your Calendar**

#### **Wednesday, October 21**

- *Wellness Wednesday*
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#### **Wednesday, October 28**

- *Wellness Wednesday*
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#### **Friday, October 30**

- *All Saints' Day Parties:* Teacher-led in the classroom

## **Middle School**

### **From the Division Head**

As Mr. Lovejoy mentioned in his message last week, we are in the process of responsibly restoring certain activities into our days. In Middle School, we began this week by hosting one grade level in the Dining Hall to eat a hot lunch together. In the weeks ahead, we plan to have one grade level participate in Chapel from our church sanctuary. And in the background, the Middle School administrative team has been in open discussion about student activities, academic schedules, and special events.

Our planning and implementation of all shifts in procedures are guided by St. Francis' two guiding principles this year: the health and safety of our community and providing a robust St. Francis experience for our students. I am excited that we have the opportunity to restore some of the activities St. Francis students expect, and I assure you that we are being thorough and thoughtful in our deliberations. While I do not have specifics to share at this time, I expect to share more information about operational shifts in the coming weeks.

On a personal note, I regret that so much of my communication this year has been about logistics. Dr. Staller's piece about "the sounds of school" last week evoked strong imagery and emotion for me. I look forward to having more chances to write you about the connections advisors and advisees are making in their groups; our eighth graders' creativity in designing American Ninja Warrior obstacles; and our sixth graders' world-opening discussions about Viji's story in *The Bridge Home*. It has been a joy to see students engaged in learning that engages and excites them, and I have appreciated our faculty's dedication and commitment to their students this year.

Thank you for your patience and partnership in these opening months of the year. We have had a positive start, and there is much more to come!

Best wishes,

Chris Bertha, MA  
Head of Middle School

### **Progress Reports—Citizenship and Effort Grades**

Citizenship and effort grades on our progress reports have one of three associated codes: ME, AE, or NE. Please see below for the full description of these codes:

- ME = Meets Expectations
- AE = Approaching Expectations
- NE = Not Meeting Expectations

## **Duke TIP Suspended**

Duke University has suspended its Talent Identification Program (TIP) for the 2020–21 school year. [Click here](#) to read a copy of an e-mail sent from the TIP team to potential participants.

## **A Note About Early Dismissals**

Please review the following guidelines related to early dismissals:

- Remember to share notifications of early dismissals through the “Update Attendance” button in Veracross. Without this notification, we may be delayed in sending your child to the front desk.
- We are only able to excuse absences for early pickups with a doctor’s note or the permission of the head of Middle School.
- Due to our presence on the fields during afternoon breaks, we are not able to accommodate student pickups between 1:35 and 2:15 p.m. If you need to pick up your child from school early for any reason, please plan on a pickup before 1:30 p.m. or after 2:20 p.m.

## **Middle School Athletics**

We are wrapping up the final days of the fall season and will conclude October 30. While this fall season has looked different than any other, we are glad that many of our students were able to participate in a fall sport rotation within their cohorts. We are now actively planning for a return to winter sports and intend to start with the winter season in early November and continue through late January/early February. Our Middle School offerings will be boys and girls basketball, boys and girls soccer, wrestling\* (conditioning/training), and Physical Education. Swimmers can earn credit through outside participation in a swim program. The swim meet schedule is still TBD at this time. Our phased in return to sports will include safety protocols in place with more details shared in the coming weeks. Our goal is to provide a team experience this winter season while keeping our students safe.

## **Mark Your Calendar**

**Wednesday, October 21**

- *Wellness Wednesday Schedule*
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**Wednesday, October 28**

- *Wellness Wednesday Schedule*

## **Upper School**

### **From the Division Head**

Please enjoy our first student perspective piece from the Class of 2024. Thank you, Alexandra F., for your thoughtful contribution! This message is especially timely as we gear up for high school admissions season. St. Francis Upper School is a special place, and we all hope that our Primary, Lower, and Middle School families will give it serious consideration when the time comes.

Sincerely,

Cara Henderson, EdD  
Head of Upper School

### **Student Perspective From the Class of 2024**

My whole life, I've been told by adults that high school was the best part of their young lives. My hopes were kept high and I was excited to find the perfect place (which I did). When the coronavirus hit and schools all around the country and world were shut down and changed to online lessons to keep the virus from spreading, my dreams turned more into concerns. I was worried that I wouldn't have that amazing freshman transition like my family members and that the high school clubs and activities I'd been looking forward to for so long would be canceled. Fortunately, this hasn't been the case at all so far this year.

The moment online school began, I started to connect with multiple other freshmen. We became friends despite the fact that we'd never seen each other in person, and many of us stayed close even as school opened up. We spoke about clubs, school, and personal achievements, and I'm so happy to have met so many new kinds of people with their own stories.

At my last school, remembering the names of the people in your grade and the one above yours would take months, if not years. At St. Francis, I believe I know the names of most freshmen, sophomores, and juniors, something that I would have considered a miracle had it been any other high school. I find St. Francis to be a close community, especially among the students, and I'm really excited to be a part of it as the year goes on!

Alexandra F.  
Class of 2024

## Upcoming Week's Schedule Reminder (October 19-23)

Thank you for navigating the transition to our adjusted schedule last week and for your ongoing patience as we get used to the adjustment.

Ninth, tenth, and eleventh graders (from both the on-campus and remote-learning scenarios) will [follow the linked schedule this week](#). Please notice that the week's assignments of odd and even days have to do with our schedule rotation and not the day of the month. This Monday, October 19, is an odd day in our rotation, which means that students will attend odd block classes (1, 3, 5, and 7). Tuesday, October 20, is an even day, which means that students will attend even block classes (2, 4, 6, and 8). And, the rotation from odd day to even day continues from there.

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- A copy of the results is provided for school files. Students who have not passed a screening will receive a referral form for follow-up with a physician or specialist.
- Students who wear glasses should bring them to school.
- Screenings are nondiagnostic and are not intended to be an equal alternative to an in-depth exam by a licensed physician or specialist.

If you have any questions, please contact School Nurse Debbie Toler, RN, via [e-mail](#) or at 713.458.6167.

## Modified Carpool Drop-Off Procedure for Couper Campus

This past week, we implemented the following revised carpool drop-off procedures on Couper Campus:

- As you enter Couper Campus, remember to keep to the right and have students seated on the passenger side. Having your SchoolPass app open and ready to show will assist us in keeping the carpool line moving.
- For Upper School parents of student drivers, please plan to turn right and pull into a parking spot when you reach the temperature-takers at Crum Athletics Center. Once the car is in park, a St. Francis staff member will approach the driver side of the parked vehicle to take the student driver's temperature and view the parent's SchoolPass Wellness Check. Once cleared, the student may get out of the vehicle, and the parent will take the student's place as driver. We

ask that you exercise caution when backing out of the parking space and turning right at the stop sign prior to driving around the circle and out the security gate.

- Independent student drivers will be welcomed to Couper Campus beginning in Trimester 2 (Monday, November 9). Student driver/parking information and applications will be included in an upcoming *Wolf Watch*.

## **A Note About Early Dismissals**

Please review the following guidelines related to early dismissals:

- Remember to share notifications of early dismissals through the “Update Attendance” button in Veracross. Without this notification, we may be delayed in dismissing your child.
- We are only able to excuse absences for early pickups with a doctor’s note or the permission of the head of Upper School.

## **A Note About Uniforms**

A friendly reminder to all on-campus learners: Please be sure that your shorts and/or skirts are of the appropriate length for school. We define this as below the end of your fingertips when your arms are fully extended by your sides. Thank you!

## **Purchase US Student Photos by Wednesday**

If you have not purchased your child’s individual school photos, you may do so online through Wednesday, October 21. Please visit [www.PrePayOrders.com](http://www.PrePayOrders.com) and use the flyer code **SFEUPPER2020** to purchase your photo packages.

## **Upper School Athletics**

We are wrapping up the final weeks of the fall season that concludes on October 30. While this fall season has looked different than any other, we are proud of our boys and girls volleyball players and our cross country runners for their commitment to a non-traditional season. We are now actively planning for a return to winter sports. We are looking to get started with our winter season in early November and will continue through late January/early February. Our Upper School offerings will be boys and girls basketball and coed swimming. Our phased in return to sports will include safety protocols in place with more details shared in the coming weeks. Our goal is to provide a team experience this winter season while keeping our students safe.

## Mark Your Calendar

### Monday, October 19

- *Odd Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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### Tuesday, October 20

- *Even Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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### Wednesday, October 21

- *Odd Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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### Thursday, October 22

- *Even Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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### Friday, October 23

- *Odd Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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### Monday, October 26

- *Even Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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## Tuesday, October 27

- *Odd Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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## Wednesday, October 28

- *Even Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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## Thursday, October 29

- *Odd Day*
  - *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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## Friday, October 30

- *Even Day*
- *Modified On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
- *Parent Fellowship, Coffee Bar, and Booster Pop-up Store: 8:15–10:00 a.m. in Crum Gym*

## Church

### **We Are Open for In-Person Worship!**

The Holy Eucharist will be offered at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. on Sundays. We will also offer an evening Eucharist on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. We look forward to seeing all those who are ready to return. For those who are not comfortable returning to in-person worship, we will continue to live stream our worship service on Sundays at 11:00 a.m. via Facebook.

- We will be working under the guidelines and protocols for your safety as originally approved by our bishop and vestry. In-person worship guidelines are available [here](#).
- Because only a limited number of the congregation can be safely seated according to the distancing guidelines, it will be necessary for you to let us know you plan to attend the worship services. We have created a SignUpGenius for that purpose. Go to the St. Francis Episcopal Church website ([sfch.org](http://sfch.org)) and

click "Return to Worship Information." You will need to sign up each week, indicating the date you would like to come to worship.

- We pray for your patience and grace as we work out adhering to the guidelines and safely gathering for worship. Once you reach the church doors with your masks on (masks are required for adults and children 2 years and older), you will be guided through the process of being seated. Individuals and families will be seated by ushers. Most likely, you will be able to choose whether you will be seated in the Transepts or the Nave. You will not get to decide exactly where you sit. The distancing guidelines will dictate exactly where people are seated by our ushers.
- Obviously, if you are ill, have a fever, or are experiencing any of the COVID-19 symptoms, or are in a high-risk health group, we recommend you stay at home and continue to worship with us online. (Click [here](#) for a list of high-risk conditions.) If you are 65 years of age or older and otherwise healthy, you are welcome to worship if you choose.
- We welcome your children to worship, but will not have Children's Sunday School or childcare available during the services at this time. Mrs. Devlin's Sunday School lessons will continue to be broadcast online at 10:00 a.m. Fr. Wismer will be giving a children's homily.
- Ushers will assist you in maintaining the 6-foot safe distance between one another from the time you leave your vehicle until seated. Families may sit together. A distance of 6 feet will be maintained between individuals and/or families. Seating will be in every other pew, and the congregation will receive the communion wafer while in their pew. We will all stand for the Great Thanksgiving, as doing so will help us maintain the safe-distancing guidelines.
- Bulletins and offering baskets for your donations will be available as you are seated. We ask you to refrain from any congregational singing, passing of the peace, and kneeling; nor will the plate be passed during the service. These are all part of the bishop's guidelines.
- The celebrant and priest will administer the bread of the Eucharist to you while in your pews, and you may remove your mask to consume the wafer and put it back on afterward.
- After the dismissal by the priest, please remain seated until dismissed by the ushers by row. We ask for your cooperation to return to your home and not gather in groups outside.

### ***The Goodnight Show With Fr. Wismer Is Now on Tuesdays Only***

Join Fr. Wismer for ***The Goodnight Show*** on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 7:15

p.m. Preschoolers, younger school children, and the young at heart can enjoy music, stories, and prayers . . . and you can send in requests! It is the perfect way to relax and get ready for bed.

[Click here to watch on the St. Francis Episcopal Facebook page.](#)

## How to Watch Sunday Service Via Live Stream

If you would like to join St. Francis Episcopal Church's **9:00 a.m.** or **11:00 a.m.** Sunday service via Live Stream, here's how to watch:

1. Open the Internet browser on your computer, laptop, or phone. Type in the St. Francis website—[sfch.org](http://sfch.org).
2. Click on the **“Live Stream Services”** button. (*You don't need a Facebook account to watch.*)
3. **On the Facebook menu bar (just above the “About” section), select “More” and then, from the drop-down menu, click on “Videos.”** This will open a page showing all videos.
4. Prelude music will begin on the live stream 15 minutes prior to the service to allow time for your connection and for your inspiration. Once the live stream is in progress, you just need to click on the video. If you miss the live video, a recording of the service will also be available on the [St. Francis Episcopal Church website](#).

## Watch Let It Shine! on YouTube

We'll continue to put the Let It Shine! videos on the St. Francis YouTube channel, but we've created a dedicated channel for Let it Shine! This is a great way for us to reach children everywhere with these amazing Bible-based video teachings by Allison Devlin, our director of family ministry.

- Please share this channel with anyone you might know who has children and who's looking for entertaining, informative videos that help lead children to Jesus.
- [Click here to visit the channel](#). **Be sure to like, subscribe, and turn on notifications!**

## Teens, Join Us for GLOW!

Middle and high school students are invited to participate in weekly lessons and discussions. Meet via Zoom on Sundays at 10:30 a.m.

- We are currently studying the armor of God. [Click here](#) to learn more about the book, *The Armor of God—Teen Bible Study Book* by Priscilla Shirer, and to order your copy today!
- A NEW series begins Sunday, October 18! Learn about the Nicene Creed—why we say it, and how it applies to our daily lives.
- For further details, contact [Allison Devlin](#).

## **Moms, Join Us for Bible Study**

The **SFES Moms' Bible Study** is on **Fridays at 11:00 a.m.**, led by **Allison Devlin**, director of family ministry. Here's a note from Allison about the study:

*This fall, we will begin our study with a book by Jeannie Cunnion called [Mom Set Free](#). I hope you will join me on this journey of faith and fellowship!*

*As moms, we're under constant pressure. We have to get it right in all areas of life—work, home, family, and faith—because our children's futures hinge on our ability to perfectly orchestrate the present.*

*But those impossible standards leave us oscillating between worry, fear, anger, and shame. They threaten to steal all the wonder from parenting, life, and our personal relationship with God.*

*In this seven-session study, we will discover how the gospel message can empower you to parent in the freedom of God's sovereignty, so that you can breathe deeper, walk lighter, and enjoy your children—and the parenting journey—more than ever before.*

Please contact Allison Devlin via [e-mail](#) or at 713.882.0725 for more meeting details.

## **Moms in Prayer**

Join other mothers for a time of prayer together on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Please contact Allison Devlin via [e-mail](#) or at 713.882.0725 for more meeting details.

## **Share Your Prayer Requests Online**

Share your prayer requests with us using the "Prayer Requests" link on the [St. Francis Episcopal Church home page](#). Please feel free to submit prayer requests for yourself or for someone you know. All prayer requests are confidential and will not be added to the spoken prayer list, but will be prayed for by our staff and Pastoral Care Council over a two-month period.

## **Upcoming Events at St. Francis**

St. Francis is hosting the following events on a regular basis via Zoom. To join an event listed below, please click the provided link or copy and paste it into your web browser's address bar. Then, enter the meeting ID and passcode when prompted.

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

- Wednesdays at 9:00–10:00 a.m.
  - **Study:** Proverbs
  - **Contact:** [Louise Richman](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/651248716>
  - *Passcode required to join; e-mail Louise Richman to participate.*

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

- Tuesdays at 7:00–8:00 a.m.
  - **Contact:** [Lew Arend](#)
- Monthly on the second Tuesday at 8:00–9:30 a.m.
  - **Study:** The Men of St. Francis (TMOSF)
  - **Contact:** [The Rev. Stuart Bates](#)
- Thursdays at 6:30–8:00 a.m.
  - **Contact:** [The Rev. Stuart Bates](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting**  
**Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86142658053?pwd=THE3Nm0xcW1DeHhCdWMYUjEramldz09>
  - **Meeting ID:** 861 4265 8053
  - **Passcode:** 0AbyWs

## ADULT BIBLE STUDY

- Sundays at 10:00–11:00 a.m.
  - **Contact:** [George Hippard](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting**  
**Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81933291372?pwd=MTVmV284bDFzanlvcS9mVzZJNFowZz09>
  - **Meeting ID:** 819 3329 1372
  - **Passcode:** 330576

## CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS—BIBLE STUDIES AND MEETINGS

- Sundays at 10:00–11:00 a.m.
  - **Meeting:** GLOW
  - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4394746544>
  - **Meeting ID:** 716 183 992
  - **Passcode:** 476823
- Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7:00–7:15 p.m.
  - **Meeting:** The Goodnight Show
  - **Contact:** [Fr. Bob Wismer](#)
  - [Facebook Live Stream](#)

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION AND PRAYER

- Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.
  - **Meeting:** Christian Meditation
  - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting**  
**Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/203726298?pwd=VHJTDDVYem8zMVWJkprZzFqUjBLUT09>
  - **Meeting ID:** 203 726 298
  - **Passcode:** 057417
- Wednesdays at 7:30–8:00 a.m.
  - **Meeting:** Prayer Session (We read Scripture and go through a prayer cycle of praise, confession, thanksgiving, and intercession.)
  - **Contact:** [Heather Burkhart](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting**  
**Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74720562513?pwd=VWpsVy9WN01LVkdSbEl4NlVJTjlxZz09>
  - **Meeting ID:** 747 2056 2513
  - **Passcode:** 678123
- Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
  - **Meeting:** Contemplative Café
  - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting**  
**Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74432391081?pwd=dTdiSVFIQ2xrRS9kMEhpWDJ6NUlwQT09>
  - **Meeting ID:** 744 3239 1081
  - **Passcode:** 043097
- Thursdays at 8:00 a.m.
  - **Meeting:** Christian Meditation
  - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting**  
**Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/203726298?pwd=VHJTDDVYem8zMVWJkprZzFqUjBLUT09>
  - **Meeting ID:** 203 726 298
  - **Passcode:** 057417
- Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
  - **Meeting:** Contemplative Café
  - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
  - **Zoom Meeting**  
**Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74432391081?pwd=dTdiSVFIQ2xrRS9kMEhpWDJ6NUlwQT09>
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