

WOLF WATCH

— WEEKLY E-NEWS —

News for the Week of November 15

All School

Important Message About COVID-19

If you haven't seen [this important message](#) from our Head of School regarding COVID-19, please take the time to review it now.

From the Head of School

Happy Sunday, Wolves! I know this school year has been unique with new processes, procedures, and responsibilities for us all. This week, I wanted to take a moment to review some of these procedures and remind you of where you can find them online.

One of the things we have learned is that we—and science—are continuing to learn about this disease, and it is our responsibility to continuously evaluate and improve our processes to protect our community.

- We have compiled valuable information that can be found on [our website](#).
- Additionally, the [scenarios and helpful information](#) for when to keep your child home based on contact or exposure and [ill student protocol](#) documents are good resources to review. They are posted on our website's [COVID-19 page](#) as well as in your Veracross account.
- As a reminder, your first point of contact should always be your child's division nurse.
 - Couper Campus Nurse: [Debbie Toler](#), 713.458.6167
 - Piney Point Campus Nurse: [Nicki Newell](#), 713.458.6128

If you discover you, your child, or another family member is not feeling well and it is after 4:00 p.m., we advise you to keep your child at home until you can consult with your family's primary care physician, as well as with our nurses.

Finally, please note that, due to the Thanksgiving break, the next *Wolf Watch* communication will be sent on November 29.

Thank you for continuing to partner with us to keep the St. Francis community safe. I wish you all a great week ahead and a safe and restful Thanksgiving holiday.

Sincerely,

Steve Lovejoy, MEd
Head of School

St. Francis Fund Kickoff

We feel very honored to be serving as this year's St. Francis Fund chairs. This is truly a year like no other. With strong support of the St. Francis Fund, we have the opportunity to make a unique difference for our students and entire school community.

Because the St. Francis Fund is unrestricted, it not only supports vital areas of the school like faculty, educational programming, tuition assistance, technology, safety, and security, but also provides school leadership with the flexibility to face any challenge that may arise—even educating our children during a global pandemic!

By now, you should have received your St. Francis Fund brochure in the mail. We hope you will take this opportunity to [join us in making a gift today](#).

Sincerely,

Jenny and Brad Porter (Parents of Geis '29 and Perry '32)

Explore and Extend Registration Opens December 8

Registration for spring 2021 Explore and Extend classes will open on **Tuesday, December 8, at 10:00 a.m.** Class information will be on the Explore and Extend page of the school website by Friday, December 4.

Explore and Extend Winter Break Mini-Camps

Mark your calendars for **December 21–23**, when Explore and Extend will host some fun winter break mini-camp sessions on both campuses.

- Camps will include sports, art, and holiday fun.
- COVID procedures for the regular school day will be observed, including wearing masks and appropriate distancing.
- **Information for these camps will be posted in the next *Wolf Watch*, on November 29.**

Buy Your Poinsettias Now, Before It's Too Late

Purchase beautiful poinsettias grown by The Brookwood Community and support Friends of Fine Arts! These festive plants not only decorate your home for the holidays, but also make great gifts for friends, family members, and clients.

- Poinsettias will be available for pickup on Thursday, December 3, on Couper Campus.
- Orders of 25 or more can be delivered.
- [Purchase poinsettias online here.](#)

Spirit Store: Order Your Vineyard Vine Shirts by Wednesday

This Wednesday, November 18, is the deadline to order masks and Vineyard Vine shirts through our new online Spirit Store. Due to the high minimum requirement for the Vineyard Vine shirts, they will not be offered again, so be sure to get one while they're available.

Visit the Spirit Store using this link and password:

- **Link:** https://stores.inksoft.com/STFRANCIS_HTX_SPIRITSTORE/shop/home
- **Password:** wolves

[Click here for additional details](#), including about delivery and limited-edition items!

Join HCPH for a COVID Safety Webinar on Thursday

This Thursday, November 19, Harris County Public Health is hosting a virtual training for K–12 parents with information that will help you protect your family and others from COVID-19 during the upcoming holiday season.

- **What:** “COVID-19 Safety During the Holidays for Parents”
- **When:** Thursday, November 19, from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
- **Register for the Zoom**
Session: [https://zoom.us/meeting/register/tJ0rcu6tqD8iH9KfTkhJgCFeUIUfLEWoiL_1](https://zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tJ0rcu6tqD8iH9KfTkhJgCFeUIUfLEWoiL_1)
- **Description:** This virtual training for parents, hosted by Harris County Public Health, is to provide guidance to help families protect themselves and others during the upcoming holiday season. The training will cover how to safely and responsibly spend quality time with loved ones while keeping everyone happy and healthy. Presenters will also provide a high-level overview of other health-related services and resources specific to families. The session will conclude with the opportunity for parents to ask any questions related to holiday safety or COVID-19 in general.

Make Christmas Merry and Bright for Our Fabulous Faculty and Staff!

The Parents Association Christmas Collection is a much-loved tradition that equitably benefits all teachers and staff members, while complying with our *School Handbook* gift-giving policy.

- Make your contribution via credit card or PayPal in the PA app or [online here](#).
- You may also pay by check, made payable to the St. Francis Parents Association. (Write "Christmas Gift" in the memo section of the check.)
- **All contributions must be received by Thursday, December 10.** Late contributions will be held over for the Spring Collection.

Primary School

From the Primary II Team: Writing at Home With Children

Young children begin “writing” at an early age, and any mark that a child makes should be valued as writing. A young child’s scribbles or mixture of curves, loops, and lines are a child’s first step in learning to write.

Scribbling is a visual way for children to communicate and interact in a meaningful way. This fine motor exercise also helps children develop coordination, creativity, and literacy skills. As a child gets older, you will begin to see them write letters and/or numbers in a random fashion. If you ask them to tell you what it says, they may happily share, because it is probably a very important message. As children begin to learn the names of the letters in the alphabet and then their corresponding sounds, they begin to “sound” out words and write what they hear; we call this “inventive writing.”

Teachers are often asked how to encourage writing at home. It is important not to pressure children to write. Writing should offer real-life experiences, such as by having children help write part of a shopping or wish list, make place settings for the family for dinnertime, or label a drawing. Providing interesting and fun writing utensils and paper are additional ways to make writing more enticing for children. Post-it notes, index cards, envelopes, and sticky labels are great ways to invite them to write!

Have fun with writing, and your children will grow into confident authors and illustrators.

Happy writing!

Emily Hughes, Janene Owens, and Diane Wiener
Primary II Lead Teachers

Step-Up to Lower School Is Wednesday

Before you know it, you will be moving up to Lower School—and now is a great time to learn about your next step! Our Step-Up to Lower School program will introduce current Primary School parents to all of the innovative teaching methods used in Lower School. You will also hear from Head of Lower School Carol Christ and her team about the joyful daily life of Lower School students and all of the ways St. Francis helps them grow into confident young leaders.

Join us this **Wednesday, November 18, at 9:00 a.m.** on Zoom to learn about our educational philosophy, Episcopal identity, curriculum, athletics program, fine arts, and much more!

Join the Zoom Meeting:

- **Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84149575286?pwd=ZfVqNWhJSzJjR20vVWhQZWY2SHpSdz09>
- **Meeting ID:** 841 4957 5286
- **Passcode:** LSwolves

Please help us plan by letting us know you are coming. [RSVP here.](#)

Mark Your Calendar

Wednesday, November 18

- *Step-Up to Lower School:* 9:00 a.m. via Zoom; see details on how to join above
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Monday, November 23–Friday, November 27

- *Thanksgiving Break:* Student holiday
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Thursday, December 10

- *Last Day to Contribute to the Parents Association Christmas Collection*
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Friday, December 11

- *Primary II Nativities via Zoom*
 - **Dominick:** 10:45 a.m.
 - **Owens:** 11:45 a.m.
 - **Hughes:** 12:15 p.m.
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Monday, December 14

- *Primary II Nativity via Zoom:* Staller at 9:45 a.m.
 - *Primary I and Pre-Primary 3-Day Christmas Parties:* Students only
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Tuesday, December 15

- *Pre-Primary 2-Day and 5-Day Christmas Party:* Students only
 - *Primary II Nativity via Zoom:* Wiener at 12:15 p.m.
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Thursday, December 17

- *Primary II Christmas Parties:* Students only
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Friday, December 18–Monday, January 4

- *Christmas Break:* Student holiday
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Tuesday, January 5

- *School Resumes*

Lower School

From the Assistant Division Head for Academics

Children are at the forefront of everything we do at St. Francis. We have many people who work to create the best school experience for our students. Along with our talented teachers, there are specialists, counselors, nurses, and other student support personnel. In Lower School, there are two assistant heads: Ryan Kochel works with the social-emotional aspect of our students' learning, and I work on the academic side. We know each child personally, and many eyes are on them to ensure we do everything possible to promote the most positive learning environment for each student.

In Lower School, we differentiate instruction in our classrooms. Our teachers continually assess their students and tailor instruction to meet individual needs and learning styles by utilizing various teaching techniques; small-group work; and purposeful, flexible groupings. We believe in differentiation because it enables students to learn within their "zone of proximal development" (Vygotsky). This zone is the range between the actual developmental level where a child can perform skills independently and the level of potential development where he or she can perform skills with guidance and support. When students learn within their zone, they are challenged appropriately—enough to grow, but not to frustration.

Children learn many skills and concepts in school. Some skills are more challenging to learn than others. We watch to make sure our students are making adequate growth in academic skills as the year progresses. Our report card helps parents to understand where their child is performing in comparison to the grade-level standards. If your child is exceeding standards, that is an area of strength (AS). If your child is meeting standards (MS), he or she can accomplish and understand the standard and apply skills independently. A child who is progressing with support (PS) meets the standards with assistance from the teacher.

Sometimes, we find a child who has difficulty making adequate progress in an academic area. Parents may also see the struggles their child is experiencing at home. What happens then? My role at St. Francis is to work with our teachers, specialists, and other support personnel to find ways to help students.

Every week, teachers in each grade level meet with the administration, specialists, and counselor to discuss student progress. The Student Support Committee—which consists of the administration, specialists, counselor, and chaplain—also meets weekly to further discuss student needs. As a team, we begin to troubleshoot ways to further assess and/or provide support for those students who may need intervention or extension. Options could be an observation, a visit with the child or parent, implementation of classroom interventions, or work with the specialists. This is a very collaborative process—one with the child's best interests at heart. We all have decades of experience dealing with children's unique gifts, and we are a great resource for you.

As a parent, you should continue to communicate with your child's teacher to better understand how your child performs in the classroom. If you have any questions or concerns about your child's academic learning, I am available to help and welcome you to contact me. We appreciate our partnership with parents as your child develops and grows.

Fondly,

Debbie McColloch, MEd
Assistant Head of Lower School for Academics

A Note About ERBs to Parents of Students in Grades 3–8

As you know, fall is when we usually participate in our standardized testing, Educational Records Bureau's (ERB) Comprehensive Testing Program (CTP5) for grades 3 through 8. Because every decision we make is with our students in mind, we had to question whether administering this assessment this fall would be the best educational decision for them. After significant discussion with many experienced educators, we have decided to forgo administering the CTP5 until fall 2021. Please [click here to learn more](#) about the rationale behind this decision and about what to expect moving forward.

Middle School Laptop 1:1 Initiative

As the holidays approach, I wanted to provide you with some guidance ahead of any technology purchases you may be considering for your child, especially for those families with students currently in grades 4 and 5. As part of our strategic plan, we are continuing with our one-to-one technology initiative for students in kindergarten through grade 12. A one-to-one technology program not only enhances our students' access to research, but also helps them build autonomy, independence, and healthy digital habits from an early age.

DOES THIS AFFECT YOUR STUDENT?

Students currently in grades 4 and 5 will be required to purchase an Apple MacBook Air computer, which they will use for the 2021–22 school year and the remainder of their time at St. Francis. The laptop will travel with them to and from school, and St. Francis will provide training for proper use.

PRICING AND SPEC INFO

A \$500 deposit will be required at the time of re-enrollment and credited toward the final price of the computer. This laptop includes a case, along with a four-year warranty and all school-supported software. (More details and computer specifics will be shared at a later date.) Thanks to our relationship and purchase volume with Apple, we are able to pass along some cost savings and the opportunity for families to purchase this package on a school-designated "tax-free" day.

We will share more information in January 2021. Meanwhile, please [e-mail Head of Technology Steve Eisenberg](#) with any questions you may have.

Thank you for your support and for partnering with us in your child's education.

Stephen M. Lovejoy, MEd
Head of School

Chapel Update—LIVE Zoom and Birthdays

With the shift to [LIVE Zoom Chapels](#), the way we celebrate birthdays has changed. Birthdays are being celebrated for the entire month while the grade level is in attendance. Celebrations of November birthdays will continue as follows:

- **Monday, November 16:** Fourth-grade birthdays
- **Wednesday, November 18:** Third-grade birthdays

Mr. Kochel will read the names. Students will stand in the pew, and we will try to get them on camera. The community will sign "happy birthday," and Fr. Wismer will bless them.

Though you can't join us in person, please join us via [Zoom](#) to celebrate our November birthdays!

Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, November 17

- *Makeup Picture Day:* Individual pictures will be taken in the FAC
 - 8:15–9:00 a.m. for remote learners
 - 9:00–10:00 a.m. for those needing retakes or who were absent/not on campus on the original date

Monday, November 23–Friday, November 27

- *Thanksgiving Break:* Student holiday

Middle School

From the Division Head

I hope you are enjoying the beautiful weather this weekend and looking forward to our Thanksgiving break next week. Anticipating our well-earned vacation and the mental break that comes with it, my message this week is divided into bulleted reminders and informational segments:

MS SCHEDULE ZOOM SESSION FOR PARENTS

In case you missed the session, you can [click here](#) to watch the recording of our parent Zoom meeting about the updated Middle School schedule.

REMOTE OPTION REMINDER

If your family is traveling for the Thanksgiving holiday and you would like your child to work from home after the break, please contact the MS Office and your advisor so that we can be prepared to support additional remote students.

DRESS CODE AND ONLINE STORE

- Though we are not wearing uniforms this year, we do ask that students wear St. Francis tops to school every day.
 - If you are looking for some new gear, check out our online store via [this link](#) (password: wolves).
- Please help us by having your children wear shorts of appropriate length.

ACADEMIC GRACE (WEEK 2)

- This is the second and final week of our Middle School academic grace period for Trimester 1. Through this Friday, students are able to redo any assignment and earn up to a 59% for their resubmission.
 - Advisors have helped with the process of identifying eligible assignments, and it is our students' responsibility to connect with teachers about how to proceed with resubmissions.
- This grace period delayed our report card date, so we will post report cards during the week of November 30.

GRADEBOOK ACCESS AND GRADE POSTING

- As of Monday, November 9, students and parents have real-time access to online gradebooks in Veracross. As I shared last week, our intent is to empower students to communicate directly with teachers about their academics.
- Our faculty is committed to providing meaningful feedback on student work. There may be times when it takes us several days to post grades for an assignment. As a general rule, grades should be posted within one week of an assignment's due date. However, some assignments (like essays and projects)

may require more time to evaluate in a meaningful way. We appreciate your patience as our team works to offer substantive feedback on student performance, in addition to posting grades.

Best wishes to you and your family for safe travels and a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday!

Best regards,

Chris Bertha, MA
Head of Middle School

This Tuesday: Taste of Upper School for Grades 6–8

The St. Francis experience doesn't end in eighth grade—now is the time to get excited about what's to come! Join us for a virtual Taste of Upper School this **Tuesday, November 17, at 6:00 p.m.** to learn about the dynamic high school experience that awaits your family. Please [RSVP here](#).

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Stephen M. Lovejoy, MEd
Head of School

A Note About Temporary Remote Attendance

If your student needs to log in remotely for a day, please notify your student’s advisor and the Middle School Office.

- With most of our students on campus, not all of our classes are automatically set up for Zoom lessons. An e-mail will let teachers know to expect a remote learner.
- Students attending remotely for a day or two are counted present, so please do not submit an attendance update in Veracross, as it will mark them as absent.
- Faculty members are not expected to provide class materials that were prepared for in-person learners if a student is only remote for one or two days.
- If a student is remote for more than two days, please contact Piney Point Campus Nurse [Nicki Newell](#) regarding the return-to-campus procedure.

MS Pictures: Remote Students and Retakes/Makeups Are Tuesday

Steve Simpson Photography will be on the Piney Point Campus for Middle School photo retakes and makeups and for remote-student photos this **Tuesday, November 17, in the FAC.**

- Remote students will have their photos taken between 8:15 and 9:00 a.m., with retakes/makeups to immediately follow.
- If you are a remote student or you missed the original photo date, please visit www.prepayorders.com and use the code: SFEMIDDLE2020 to purchase your photo packages.
- If you are wishing to have your photo retaken, please bring your original photos with you to give to the photographer.
- **Please [contact the Middle School Office](#) if you plan to have your photo taken during this time or if you have any questions.**

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, November 16

- *"A" Day*
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Tuesday, November 17

- *"B" Day*
 - *Pictures for Remote Students: 8:15–9:00 a.m. in the FAC*
 - *Makeup Pictures for On-Campus Students: 9:00–10:00 a.m. in the FAC*
 - *Taste of Upper School Virtual Event: 6:00 p.m.; RSVP via the link above*
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Wednesday, November 18

- *"C" Day*
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Thursday, November 19

- *"D" Day*
-

Friday, November 20

- *"E" Day*
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Monday, November 23–Friday, November 27

- *Thanksgiving Break: Student holiday*

Upper School

A New Teacher Perspective

Please enjoy this message from St. Francis alumna and the newest member of our Upper School Faculty Team, Caroline Doyle. Ms. Doyle currently teaches 2D Studio Art and Art I, and she is the faculty sponsor of the Visual Arts Club. We are thrilled that she is a part of our St. Francis Faculty and that she has taken this opportunity to share with you her perspective as a first-year teacher!

In a time where change is constant and navigating new waters has become normal, I think you would be hard-pressed to find anyone who wouldn't call 2020 a crazy year. Add to that: becoming a new teacher in the middle of a pandemic. Also add: teaching the messiest subject ... via Zoom.

As an artist, I am comfortable with change—I even look for it. Changing perspectives from new art I see; changing up the technique or materials I use, the space I work in, or the inspirations I pull from; or seeing how a single idea can manifest into something perfectly unplanned. Becoming an art educator was an entirely new kind of change, and I have loved it even more than I could have imagined. Of course, right before the school year began, I swiftly cycled through chords of excitement and anticipation to fear, to relief, and then to full-on joy. The relief and joy came when I realized that, amidst all this change, one thing had remained the same: the St. Francis community.

Rewind to the early 2000s, and you would find me with a mouth full of braces walking into St. Francis for the first time. I was in fifth grade and was a “new kid,” yet the feelings I went through as school started then were the exact same that my adult self experienced in early August. The wonderful relief and joy came just as quickly both times. I don't know why I was surprised!

After my first Middle School elective in theater, I knew I was destined to be an actress. The rotations in music and dance that followed reinforced my confidence as a triple threat; and after art, I knew I'd surely give Bob Ross a run for his money. Then came sixth-grade sports, and my fate was realized: I'd be a singing, acting, professional-soccer-playing, world-famous painter! My point is that St. Francis gives students the rarest of opportunities: to be all of it, to discover new gifts alongside teachers and friends, and to do so with the steadfast support of our community.

At St. Francis, friends come fast and teachers make lasting impressions. As I have learned twice over, it doesn't matter whether you're the new kid in fifth grade or the new teacher on the staff: Navigating change is easy when you're in the right place with the right people!

Caroline Doyle
Fine Arts Faculty

Upcoming Week's Schedule Reminder (November 16–20)

Please remember that teachers are available to meet with students for daily tutorials (by appointment) between 8:00 and 8:40 a.m. Ninth, tenth, and eleventh graders (from both the on-campus and remote-learning scenarios) will [follow the linked schedule this week](#). This Monday, November 16, is an even day in our rotation, which means that students will attend even block classes (2, 4, 6, and 8). Tuesday, November 17, is an odd day, which means that students will attend odd block classes (1, 3, 5, and 7). And, the rotation from even day to odd day continues from there.

Lights! Camera! Drive-In!

The Upper School Arts Program invites you to take a walk down the red carpet with us as we premiere our student filmmakers' work at our first ever Upper School–only [Drive-In Film Festival!](#)

- Please join us this coming **Wednesday, November 18**, at the Moonstruck Drive-In.
- Tickets are only available from the venue website. Visit www.MoonstruckDriveIn.com to purchase a per vehicle ticket.

[Click here](#) for more information about ticketing, COVID precautions, and venue information. You won't want to miss this!

Important Uniform Reminders

It's been great to see most of our Upper School students in compliance with our Trimester 2 uniform expectations. For those of you still needing a reminder, please note that all Upper School students are expected to wear (1) either a St. Francis uniform top (polo- or oxford-style) OR a St. Francis T-shirt and (2) uniform bottoms—shorts, pants, or skirts of the appropriate length.

- We define “appropriate length” as below the end of your fingertips when your arms are fully extended by your sides.
- Since we are not offering a PE class this trimester, **athletic shorts during the school day are no longer allowed.**
- There is a link to DENNIS Uniform through the Parent Portal.
- You may direct any uniform questions to [Cathleen Flaniken](#).

Student Driving and Parking on Couper Campus

Please review the SFES Student Driving and Parking Expectations, linked [here](#).

- After reading and discussing the SFES Student Driving and Parking Expectations linked above, all qualifying tenth- and eleventh-grade students may complete and submit the SFES Parking Permit Application 2020–21, linked [here](#).
- **Approved tenth- and eleventh-grade student drivers are expected to comply with the SFES Student Driving and Parking Expectations at all times;** noncompliance will result in a loss of these privileges.

Mark Your Calendar

Monday, November 16

- *Even Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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Tuesday, November 17

- *Odd Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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Wednesday, November 18

- *Even Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
 - *US Drive-In Film Festival: Gate opens at 6:15 p.m.; Moonstruck Drive-In*
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Thursday, November 19

- *Odd Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
-

Friday, November 20

- *Even Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
-

Monday, November 23–Friday, November 27

- *Thanksgiving Break: Student holiday*
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Monday, November 30

- *Odd Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
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Tuesday, December 1

- *Even Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
 - *Student Portrait Makeup Day*
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Wednesday, December 2

- *Odd Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
-

Thursday, December 3

- *Even Day*
 - *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*
-

Friday, December 4

- *Odd Day*
- *On-Campus and Remote-Learning Schedule*

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 livestream our worship service on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Access the livestream via our church [website](#), [YouTube channel](#), or [Facebook page](#). Instructions for livestreaming are included at the bottom of this section.

- In-person worship guidelines are available [here](#).
- NOTE: Sunday School has started again and will be held outside to maintain safe distancing.
- Only a limited number of participants can be safely seated according to the distancing guidelines. To ensure we comply with these guidelines, please sign up each week, indicating you would like to come to worship. To do so, go to the St. Francis Episcopal Church [website](#), click "Sign Up for In-Person Worship," choose the date, and sign up to attend the 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service.

Join Fr. Wismer for *The Goodnight Show* on Tuesdays

Join Fr. Wismer for *The Goodnight Show* on Tuesdays from 7:00 to 7:15 p.m. on the [St. Francis Facebook page](#). 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.](#)

Watch Let It Shine! In-Person and on YouTube

Join Mrs. Devlin for in-person Let It Shine! Children's Bible Breakout: All children from Pre-K to middle school are invited to participate. Children will learn lessons from the Bible, act out Bible stories, memorize key verses from Scripture, and pray together outside following safe-distancing guidelines.

We will 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!

GLOW is now meeting in-person after the 9:00 a.m. Family Worship Service. We will meet (socially distanced) in the Wheatcroft Parish Hall from 10:15 to 10:45 a.m. Middle and high school students are invited to participate in weekly lessons and discussions. A Zoom option will continue to be available for those who are unable to attend in person.

- In the current series, learn about the Nicene Creed—why we say it, and how it applies to our daily lives. You may purchase the book *Hope for Us* through Amazon.
- 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. Please contact Allison 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 (New study on the Gospel of Mark began November 4)
 - **Contact:** [Louise Richman](#)
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/651248716>
 - *Passcode required to join; e-mail Louise Richman to participate.*

- Fridays at 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
 - **Study:** *Mom Set Free* by Jeannie Cunnion
 - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)
 - *E-mail Allison Devlin for meeting location*

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. (Next meeting is December 8)
 - The Men of St. Francis (TMOSF)
 - **Study:** The Gospel of Mark
 - **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/86423240761>
 - **Meeting ID:** 864 2324 0761
 - **Passcode:** sW9R20

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

- Sundays at 10:00–11:00 a.m.
 - **Contact:** [George Hippard](#)
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81068388948>
 - **Meeting ID:** 810 6838 8948
 - **Passcode:** 767200

CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS—BIBLE STUDIES AND MEETINGS

- Sundays at 10:30–11:30 a.m.
 - **Meeting:** GLOW
 - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4394746544>
 - **Meeting ID:** 716 183 992
 - **Passcode:** 476823
- Tuesdays at 7:00–7:15 p.m.
 - **Meeting:** The Goodnight Show
 - **Contact:** [Fr. Bob Wismer](#)
 - [Facebook Livestream](#)

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>

- **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/72098767051>
 - **Meeting ID:** 720 9876 7051
 - **Passcode:** 678123
- Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.
 - **Meeting:** Contemplative Café
 - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74432391081>
 - **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>
 - **Meeting ID:** 203 726 298
 - **Passcode:** 057417
- Thursdays after carpool drop-off
 - **Meeting:** Prayer Session
 - **Contact:** [Allison Devlin](#)
 - *E-mail Allison Devlin to get meeting location*
- Saturdays at 10:00 a.m.
 - **Meeting:** Contemplative Café
 - **Contact:** [Fr. David Price](#)
 - **Zoom Meeting Link:** <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/74432391081>
 - **Meeting ID:** 744 3239 1081
 - **Passcode:** 043097

How to Watch Sunday Service Via Livestream

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

1. Open an Internet browser on your computer, laptop, or phone. Type in the St. Francis website—sfch.org.
2. Click on the “**Watch Live Stream**” button. Choose to watch from the website or from Facebook or YouTube.
3. Prelude music will begin on the livestream 10 minutes prior to the service to allow time for your connection and for your inspiration. If you miss the live video, a recording of the service will also be available on St. Francis's [YouTube channel](#).