St. Francis' Anglican Church - Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

August 25, 2019

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Holy Eucharist

Processional Hymn: I come with joy to meet my Lord Words and music on page 7

Acclamation

Celebrant: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. People: And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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*.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ (+), with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen*.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen*.

The First Reading Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴ The word of the LORD came to me, saying, ⁵ "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." ⁶ "Alas, Sovereign LORD," I said, "I do not know how to speak; I am too young." ⁷ But the LORD said to me, "Do not say, 'I am too young.' You must go to everyone I send you to and say whatever I command you. ⁸ Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you and will rescue you," declares the LORD. ⁹ Then the LORD reached out his hand and touched my mouth and said to me, "I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰ See, today I appoint you over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and to plant."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 71: 1-6 (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

- 1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be ashamed.
- 2 In your righteousness deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, my confidence since I was young.

6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.

The Second Reading
Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸ You have not come to a mountain that can be touched and that is burning with fire; to darkness, gloom and storm; ¹⁹ to a trumpet blast or to such a voice speaking words that those who heard it begged that no further word be spoken to them, ²⁰ because they could not bear what was commanded: "If even an animal touches the mountain, it must be stoned to death." ²¹ The sight was so terrifying that Moses said, "I am trembling with fear." ²² But you have come to Mount Zion, to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem. You have come to thousands upon thousands of angels in joyful assembly, ²³ to the church of the firstborn, whose names are written in heaven. You have come to God, the Judge of all, to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ to Jesus the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel. ²⁵ See to it that you do not refuse him who speaks. If they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, how much less will we, if we turn away from him who warns us from heaven? ²⁶ At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." ²⁷ The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸ Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, ²⁹ for our "God is a consuming fire."

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn Rock of ages

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Gospel Luke 13:10-17

Celebrant: (+) The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁰ On a Sabbath Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues, ¹¹ and a woman was there who had been crippled by a spirit for eighteen years. She was bent over and could not straighten up at all. ¹² When Jesus saw her, he called her forward and said to her, "Woman, you are set free from your infirmity." ¹³ Then he put his hands on her, and immediately she straightened up and praised God. ¹⁴ Indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, the synagogue leader said to the people, "There are six days for work. So come and be healed on those days, not on the Sabbath." ¹⁵ The Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Doesn't each of you on the Sabbath untie your ox or donkey from the stall and lead it out to give it water? ¹⁶ Then should not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has kept bound for eighteen long years, be set free on the Sabbath day from what bound her?" ¹⁷ When he said this, all his opponents were humiliated, but the people were delighted with all the wonderful things he was doing.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily Fr. Craig J. Lister

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. 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*.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy. People: Hear our prayer.

For Foley, our Archbishop, and Steven, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.
People Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy. People: Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy. People: Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy. People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially].

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy. People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection [especially].

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy. People: Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Confession and Absolution of Sin (the people may kneel)

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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon (+) and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Announcements

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. *Amen*.

"Our fathers' God, to Thee, Author of liberty, to thee we sing; long may our land be bright, with freedom's holy light; protect us by thy might, great God, our King." *Amen*.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The celebrant continues:

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new. Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full, full of Your glory, Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

(+) Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Consecration (the people may kneel)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become. subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come

with confidence before the throne of grace. On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever and ever. *Amen*.

The Prayer of Humble Access (Celebrant and People together)

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. *Amen*.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving (the people may kneel)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen*.

Blessing (+)

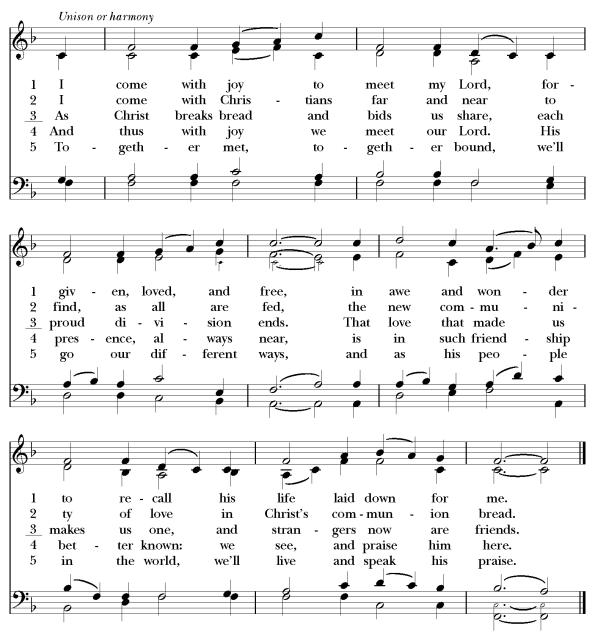
O for a thousand tongues **Closing Hymn**

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Dismissal

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

I come with joy to meet my Lord



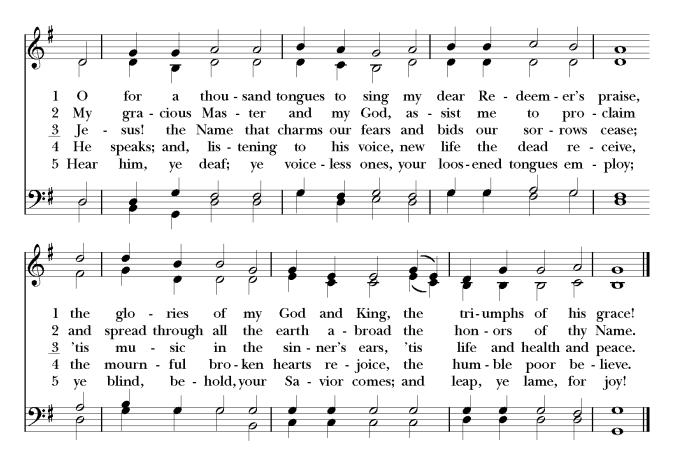
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Rock of ages



Words: Augustus Montague Toplady (1740-1778), alt. Music: *Toplady*, Thomas Hastings (1784-1872)

O for a thousand tongues



 6 Glory to God and praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the Church in earth and heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music; Azmon, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

Announcements

Sunday School - All classes will meet today except Daniel's Disciples (back to school break).

Prayer Books – Signup sheet can be found in the Fellowship Hall.

Military Prayer List – We haven't updated our military prayer list in quite a while. If you know of any changes that need to be made please talk to Sue Comstock.

Holy Eucharist - Wednesday, August 28, 2019 at 11:30 am.

Confirmation class – Resumes September 3, 2019 at 4:30 pm.

Men's Ministry Inaugural Meeting – September 14, 2019 at 7:30 am.

Anglican Class – Monday, September 30, 2019, Wednesday, October 2, 2019, Monday, October 7, 2019 and Wednesday, October 9, 2019, all at 6:30 pm. Sign up now.

Women's Ministry – Look for more "Dinner & Movies" on November 11, 2019 and January 13, 2020.

St. Francis' Women's Ministry



BEGINNER'S WATERCOLOR CLASS

Taught by Pat Fein
THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 9:30 AM
ST. FRANCIS FELLOWSHIP HALL



Due to a high level of interest, all available spaces have been filled!

If you signed up, you'll receive a reminder email sometime around August 26. If you find yourself unable to attend, please call or email Judith Edmonds (919-718-6084 or judithedm@windstream.net) right away to have your name removed from the list. If you would like to be placed on a waiting list in case of cancellations, please contact Judith Edmonds, and you'll be notified if a space opens up.



"DINNER AND A MOVIE" MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 5:30 pm St. Francis Fellowship Hall Movie selection: "MCFARLAND USA"



A true story about hot-tempered high school football coach Jim White (Kevin Costner) who finds his hiring options limited but lands a position in a predominantly Latino high school in California, bringing his family to a town they would not have chosen. His career and the life of his family are transformed by what follows as he discovers hidden running talents in the students and as the community bridges cultural differences to become more than it ever imagined. Please sign up on the women's bulletin board. Watch next week's bulletin for more information!



Ride to Texas BBQ In Angier on Saturday 8/31.

Meet at St. Francis at noon, kickstand up at 12:15

All motorcyclists and scooters with attitude welcome.

See Scott Bruce for details

St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

For the concerns weighing on the hearts and minds of members of this congregation:

Herb Lister	Jennifer	Chase Serry
*Susan Johns	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Jo Maddox	Karen Tatum
*Paul Dempster	Donna Norman	John Blasius
Tony Swanson	Beth Main	Murray Ingerham
Kris	Aiden Hague	Tommy McDonald
Mary Gillam	Claudia Key	*Harriett Tice
Ray Holland	Marcia Swanson	*Charles Wick
Mabel M.	Ed McCoy	Marjorie J
Lisa Anne Callis	Sylvia Spell	Joann Duke
James Cox	* Derrick Smith	Linda McCaskle
*Ted Lawrence	Mina Townsend	Gordon Caldwell
*Ann Hodges	Robyn Milano	William Barton
Sallie Daughtrey	Tim Young	Tom Daughtrey
Terry Norris		Brent Jackson

^{*}Member of St. Francis

If you need to add or remove a name from the prayer list contact Sue Comstock at 919-498-9154 or email her at suectrace@gmail.com.

Pray for strength and divine guidance: Hope Peterson and Jason.

Pray for those serving all over the world in our military: Matthew Pate, Ben Hodsdon, William Puckett, Katherine Campbell, Brian Gille, George Walter, Jim Makepeace, Rick Smith, Jody Gordon, Raymond DeSantos, Eliza, Josh Pratt, Greg, Ben Gumpton, Jeremy, Lucas Rees, Daniel Hardin, Jared Oldham, Noah Gibson, Nick Stavlund, Jason Williams, Fortune Egbulefu, James Rozak, Logan Peterson, Stephen and Patrick Hart.

Altar Flowers - The flowers on the altar are given by Will and Betsie Wilkinson to the Glory of God and in thanksgiving for the 18th birthday of their son Hunter.

Pray for the departed: John Stark, Mary Clark.

Those serving today:

Ushers: Ron Hewett and Jimmy Washburn

Chalice Bearers: JJ Cuff and Dana Garrett
Linda Bruce and Scott Bruce
Acolytes: Morgan Gille and Charlie Puckett
Coffee Hour: Juli Anne and Isabel Lawrence
Nursery: Katie Kerley and Pat Aylies
Music Directors: Leslie and Audrey Hanna

Organist: Rosemary Parten

Altar Guild: Tammy Bennetts, Mari Hann, Beth Puckett and Carolyn Washburn

Vestry

Through 2020: Scott Bruce, Susan Lewis, Clerk, Marty Pate, Senior Warden Through 2021: Bruce Ledford, Tom Reese, Jimmy Washburn, Junior Warden Through 2022: Oliver Crawley, Joe Hanna, Beth Puckett St Francis' Mailing Address: 1089 Wilkins Drive, Sanford, NC 27330 (910)-773-1155 St. Francis Parish information website: http://stfrancisnc.org