# St. Francis Anglican Church - First Sunday in Lent

March 1, 2020

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# **Holy Eucharist**

**Processional Hymn:** A mighty fortress is our God See page 7 for words

#### **Acclamation**

*Celebrant:* Bless the Lord (+) who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures 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*.

### **Kyrie Eleison**

Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy; Christ, have mercy Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy Lord, have mercy, have mercy

## **Collect of the Day**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

The First Reading Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. <sup>16</sup> And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; <sup>17</sup> but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, 3 "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?" <sup>2</sup> The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die." <sup>4</sup> "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. <sup>5</sup> "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup> When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

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#### **Psalm 32** (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said," I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

# The Second Reading Romans 5: 12-19

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—<sup>13</sup> To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law. <sup>14</sup> Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come. <sup>15</sup> But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! <sup>16</sup> Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. <sup>17</sup> For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ! <sup>18</sup> Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people. <sup>19</sup> For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

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

Sequence Hymn Psalm 130

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Gospel Matthew 4: 1-11

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Then Jesus was led by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup> After fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup> The tempter came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become bread." <sup>4</sup> Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God." <sup>5</sup> Then the devil took him to the holy city and had him stand on the highest point of the temple. <sup>6</sup> "If you are the Son of God," he said, "throw yourself down. For it is written: "He will command his angels concerning you, and they will lift you up in their hands, so that you will not strike your foot against a stone." <sup>7</sup> Jesus answered him, "It is also written: 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test."

<sup>8</sup> Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor. <sup>9</sup> "All this I will give you," he said, "if you will bow down and worship me." <sup>10</sup> Jesus said to him, "Away from me, Satan! For it is written: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only." <sup>11</sup> Then the devil left him, and angels came and attended him.

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, let us pray to the Lord. (*silence*)

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, let us pray to the Lord. *(silence)* 

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, let us pray to the Lord. (silence)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, let us pray to the Lord. (silence)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service let us pray to the Lord. (silence)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially \_\_\_\_\_], let us pray to the Lord. (silence)

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection [especially\_\_\_\_], in thanksgiving let us pray to the Lord. (*silence*)

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*.

#### The Peace

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

**People:** And with your spirit.

#### **Announcements**

## **Offertory**

Celebrant and People: All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

# The Great Thanksgiving

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

People: We lift them up 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, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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 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, so that he may dwell in us and we in him. And bring us with all your saints into the fullness 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**

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world. Give us your peace, give us your peace.

#### **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 into the world 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 (+)

Closing Hymn Lead us, Heavenly Father, lead us

See page 9 words and music

**Dismissal** 

# From the Prayer Team

- This year will be momentous for our church family as we follow God's leading through our change in leadership. For that reason, we encourage everyone to pray with one accord through the coming season. Please keep your new, yellow prayer bookmark somewhere where you will be reminded to pray each day's intention along with the rest of the body of Christ at St. Francisperhaps at the breakfast table or with your devotional materials.
- We welcome anyone who feels called to join this ministry. If you
  are interested, speak to anyone who has on a red badge at church
  or simply "come and see" what the meetings are like.
- We are now meeting once a month, on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.
- Please remember, if you would like face-to-face prayers for anything--big or small, for yourself or others--ask any of us with the red badges and we will gladly get "two or three gathered together" for confidential prayer following the service.

# A mighty fortress is our God

1 A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing; our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing: for still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal.

2 Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing: dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he;

Lord Sabaoth his Name, from age to age the same, and he must win the battle.

3 And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us; we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us; the prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him; his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure, one little word shall fell him.

4 That word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them, abideth; the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth:

let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still,
his kingdom is forever.

Words: Martin Luther (1483-1546); tr. Frederic Henry Hedge (1805-1890); based on Psalm 46 Music: *Ein feste Burg*, melody Martin Luther (1483-1546); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) Meter: 87. 87. 66. 66. 7

# From The Depths Of Woe I Raise To Thee (Psalm 130)

#### Verse 1

From depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation
Lord turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication
If Thou iniquities dost mark
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark
O who shall stand before Thee, O who shall stand before Thee

#### Verse 2

To wash away the crimson stain
Grace grace alone availeth
Our works alas are all in vain
In much the best life faileth
No man can glory in Thy sight
All must alike confess Thy might
And live alone by mercy, And live alone by mercy

#### Verse 3

Therefore my trust is in the Lord
And not in mine own merit
On Him my soul shall rest
His word upholds my fainting spirit
His promised mercy is my fort
My comfort and my sweet support
I wait for it with patience, I wait for it with patience

#### Verse 4

What though I wait the live-long night
And till the dawn appeareth
My heart still trusteth in His might
It doubteth not nor feareth
Do thus O ye of Israel's seed
Ye of the Spirit born indeed
And wait till God appeareth

#### Verse 5

Though great our sins and sore our woes

His grace much more aboundeth

His helping love no limit knows

Our utmost need it soundeth

Our shepherd good and true is He

Who will at last our Israel free

For all their sin and sorrow, For all their sin and sorrow

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# Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us



Words: James Edmeston (1791-1867), alt. Music: Dulce carmen, melody from An Essay on the Church Plain Chant, 1782; adapt. Collection of Motetts or Antiphons, ca. 1840; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)

## **Announcements**

**Thanks to** – Jimmy and Carolyn Washburn for hosting coffee hour today.

**Sunday School -** All classes will meet today.

Slide Show - Check out Bob Nelson's slide show during coffee hour.

**Prayer Opportunities** - Use the red boxes located at the exits.

**Choir Practice -** Choir practice today at 4:00 pm.

Holy Eucharist - Wednesday, March 4, 2020 at 11:30 am.

**Lenten Series** - Wednesdays March 4th, 11th, 18th and 25<sup>th</sup>. Sign up now.

**St. Anne's Prayer Guild** - The St. Anne's Prayer Guild would like to update the prayer list for those serving in the military/armed forces. There are several people on this list about whom we know nothing. If you have had a name added to the list will you please contact Sue Comstock or Peggy Nelson to let us know if they are still serving and need to remain on the list. Thank you.



Help feed the hungry in Lee County by joining us for the BreadBasket's Dinner Theater fundraiser Thursday, March 12, 2020. Dinner is at 5:30 p.m.

at the Dennis Wicker Civic Center followed by "Steel Magnolias" at the Temple Theater at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are regularly \$40 but get them from Tom Reese for just \$25 each

#### UNEXPECTED BEGINNINGS

A two-part series from the Lee County Enrichment Center Information you need to know when your spouse passes and you must manage alone

• Helpful as proactive planning for couples as well as for those who have lost a spouse

# Tuesdays, March 24 & 31, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM March 24

- Robert Gilleland, Sanford Law Group
- Don Borrillo, Social Security Administration
- Erica Vazquez, Branch Manager, BB&T
- Tim Wilson, BB&T Investments

#### March 31

- Susie Thomas Clerk of Court
- Linda Ward, CPA Ward & Foust CPA's PA
- Miller-Boles Funeral Home
- "Grief & Depression," Kenneth Stewart, First Health of the Carolinas

Open to the General Public at the LCG Enrichment Center, 1615 S. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Sanford Registration is required. Call (919) 776-0501 Ext. 2201.



Saturday morning, March 14, 2020

# **St. Francis Parking Lot**

Experience the delight of touring an orchid greenhouse after hearing a presentation about how to successfully grow your own orchids! There is no cost for the class or the tour, and orchids will be available for purchase. Optional lunch in Pittsboro on the way back, at discretion of drivers and passengers.

Please be sure to sign up for this trip and mark whether you need to leave from St. Francis parking lot or Carolina Trace. Also, please indicate whether you'd be willing to drive, with directions to Orchid Gallery provided to each driver. Departure times will be determined closer to the date, to allow everyone to arrive a bit before the 10 am class time.



# SPRING BOOK AND BRUNCH SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 10:00 am Emily Hewett's home 608 Valley Road, Sanford



Come for a leisurely brunch and discussion of our book selection, <u>Small Great Things</u> by **Jodi Picoult.** While parts of the book may be emotionally difficult to read, it raises powerful questions about race, privilege, prejudice, justice and compassion as we follow a highly skilled African American neonatal nurse whose actions are deemed criminal by a white supremacist. The book has the potential to open hearts to new understandings, and we hope that our shared time of discussion will do the same. Readily and inexpensively available (new or used) from Amazon or other sources if you'd like to go ahead and secure a copy and begin reading.

Sign up sheets will be posted in the next several weeks. Not everyone needs to bring a brunch dish, but you will have the opportunity to sign up to bring one of the specific brunch dishes listed if you choose.

# St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

John Wood	Candy Torgerson	Chase Serry
Martha Connolly	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Jo Maddox	*Karen Tatum
*Paul Dempster	Donna Norman	Joe Lawrence
*Ann Hodges	Brent Sloan	*Brian Haynes
Kris	Elijah	Tommy McDonald
Herb Lister	Claudia Key	Tom Daughtery
*Frances Granger	Ed McCoy	*Charles Wick
Mabel M.	Beth Main	Marjorie J
Lisa Anne Callis	Mina Townsend	Linda McCaskle
James Cox	Robyn Milano	Dan Abernathy
*Ted Lawrence	Bob Clark	*Lew Andersen
*Isabel Lawrence		

<sup>\*</sup>Member of St. Francis

To add or remove a name from the prayer list contact Sue Comstock at 919-498-9154 or email her at suectrace@gmail.com. Names will be removed after three weeks unless you contact Sue to extend the time.

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, Levi Whiteman, Foster Knowles, Stephen and Patrick Hart.

**Altar Flowers** - The flowers on the altar are given by Foster and Kendall Knowles to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. Hicks and Mrs. Joyce Parker.

**Pray for the departed:** Mildred Dowdy, Edna Hamilton, Dean Yeasal, Alan Massengill, Catherine Hattaway, Mary Laura Moody, Elisabeth Wilkinson, Robert Watson, Isaac Lutterloh, James Smith, Lee McClurkin, Allan Gilman, Evelyn Blue, Harold Floyd, Fr. Donald Frazier.

#### Those serving today:

Ushers: Tom Reese and Chuck Lewis

Chalice Bearers: Mark Mahaffey and Sue Comstock

Lectors: Scott and Linda Bruce

Acolytes: Matthew Kerley and Emily Hanna Coffee Hour: Jimmy and Carolyn Washburn Nursery: Katie Kerley and Nancy Lister

Music Director: Audrey Hanna Organist: Rosemary Parten

Altar Guild: Terry Crawley, Linda Pate, Edie Makepeace and Jean Dabbs

#### 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
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