St. Francis Anglican Church - Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 7, 2019

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Holy Eucharist

Processional Hymn: In the cross of Christ, I glory

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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 upon us. (3x)

Christ, have mercy upon us. (3x)

Lord, have mercy upon us. (3x)

Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

The First Reading Isaiah 43:16-21

¹⁶ Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷ who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸ "Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. ¹⁹ Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰ The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹ the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.

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

Psalm 126 (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

- 1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, then were we like those who dream.
- 2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy.
- 3 Then they said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."
- 4 The Lord has done great things for us, and we are glad indeed.
- 5 Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses of the Negev.
- 6 Those who sowed with tears will reap with songs of joy.
- 7 Those who go out weeping, carrying the seed, will come again with joy, shouldering their sheaves.

The Second Reading Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else thinks he has reason for confidence in the flesh, I have more: ⁵ circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; ⁶ as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. ⁷ But whatever gain I had, I counted as loss for the sake of Christ. ⁸ Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰ that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹ that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹² Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³ Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴ I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

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

Sequence Hymn Take up your cross, the Savior said

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Gospel John 12:1-8

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹² Six days before the Passover, Jesus therefore came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. ² So they gave a dinner for him there. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those reclining with him at table. ³ Mary therefore took a pound of expensive ointment made from pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. ⁴ But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was about to betray him), said, ⁵ "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" ⁶ He said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and having charge of the moneybag he used to help himself to what was put into it. ⁷ Jesus said, "Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of my burial. ⁸ For the poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Special Music performed by Audrey Hanna

Homily Fr. Matthew Garrison

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. You bid your faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by your Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which you have prepared for those who love you. 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 (+)

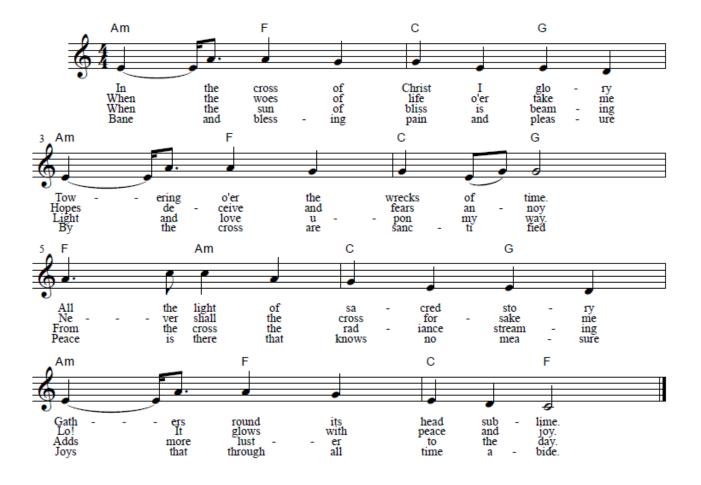
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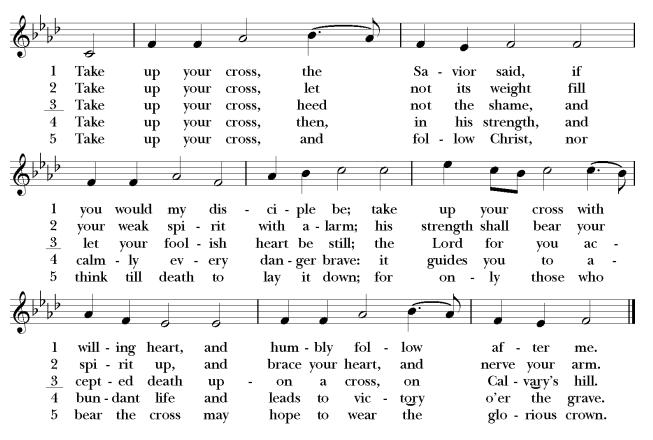
Dismissal

IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY

Words by John Bowring Music by Brian Moss

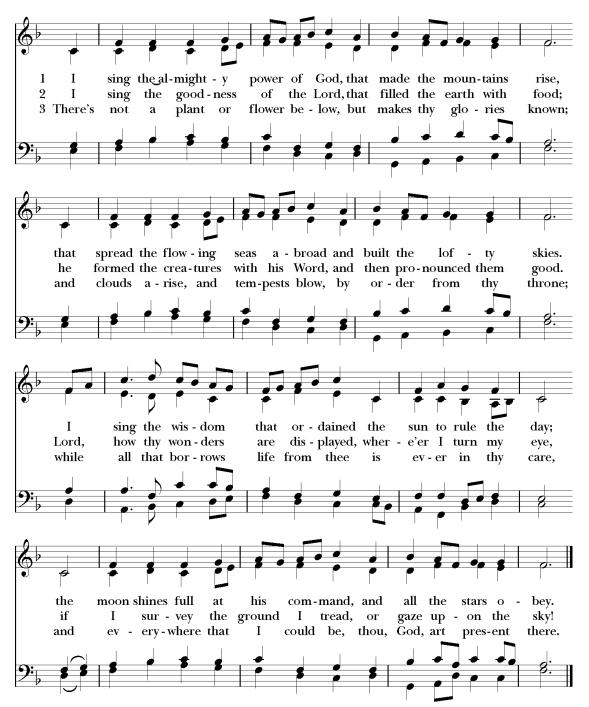


Take up your cross, the Savior said



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I sing the almighty power of God



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Announcements

Before Worship -When we come into God's House, let us remember that others are praying before the Liturgy, so that we need to keep our voices down. Conversations, if necessary, can be conducted in whisper mode!

Coffee - You can find hot coffee in the Fellowship Hall prior to the service.

Sunday School - All classes will meet today.

St. Francis' Youth Group - No meeting today.

Choir Practice - Choir practice today at 4:15 pm.

Bible Study - Letter to the Romans continuing on Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 6:30 pm. Book of Daniel continuing at 10:00 am April 9, 2019.

Holy Eucharist - Wednesday, April 10, 2019 at 11:30 am.

Lenten program - "The Sacraments" continues on Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

St. Francis' Men's Group - Monday, April 8, 2019 at 6:00 pm.



STRAWBERRY

PICKING!

We have access to a wonderful strawberry patch near Carthage (off 15-501). If you'd like to be notified of picking days, email judithedm@windstream.net to be added to the email notification list. We meet at St. Francis, sometimes on a weekday, sometimes on a Saturday and drive down together.



WOMEN'S BOOK AND BRUNCH

Saturday, May 4, 10 am





BOOK SELECTION: <u>Liturgy of the Ordinary – Sacred Practices in Everyday</u> Life by Tish Harrison Warren

Books are available for \$12 today (or order individually online or through Kindle). At the event, we'll share a leisurely brunch and talk about what we've discovered in our reading. Sign up sheet on the women's bulletin board. Watch for more information about potluck brunch food plans.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES! Consider filling out a blue prayer card (found in each pew) and placing it in one of the red boxes beside each entrance. A prayer team member will pray confidentially about each card during the coming week. Also just talk to any prayer team member (identified by red name badge), who will be happy to pray with you personally after the service.



St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

Lesley Adams	Jennifer	Florine Quick
*Susan Johns	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Jo Maddox	Rebecca
*Paul Dempster	Ricky Parker	John Blasius
*Ken Jeffries	*Susan Lewis	Murray Ingerham
Kris	Aiden Hague	Tommy McDonald
Mary Gillam	Haley Calie	*Harriett Tice
Ray Holland	Marcia Swanson	*Charles Wick
Mabel M.	*Bob Stone	Marjorie J
Lisa Anne Callis	Sylvia Spell	Joann Duke
James Cox	Jim Tatum	Mickey Harman
*Ted Lawrence	David Ward	Gordon Caldwell
Beth Main	Karen Tatum	*David Kuhn
Jimmy King	Linda McCaskle	Tony Swanson
	*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. Names will be removed after three weeks unless you contact Sue to extend the time.

Pray for strength and divine guidance: Pat Fein.

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, Stephen and Patrick Hart.

Pray for the departed: Josephine Gardner, Haughton Frasier, Sanford Love.

Those serving today:

Ushers: Jimmy Washburn and Chuck Lewis
Chalice Bearers: Mark Mahaffey and Sue Comstock
Lectors: Ron Hewett and Judith Edmonds
Acolytes: Hunter and Harris Wilkinson
Coffee Hour: Jennifer Tatum and Anita Andersen

Nursery: Katie Kerley and Meg Hanna

Music Director: Leslie Hanna Organist: Rosemary Parten

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

Vestry

Through 2019: Ron Brown, Senior Warden, Sue Comstock, Jean Dabbs, Clerk
Through 2020: Scott Bruce, Susan Lewis, Marty Pate

Through 2021: Bruce Ledford, Tom Reese, Jimmy Washburn, Junior Warden

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