

**Holy Eucharist**

**Processional Hymn:** *Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless*

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**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.

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen.*

**The First Reading**

Numbers 11:4-6,10-16,24-29

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this manna to look at." Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry, and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking child,' to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors? Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' I am not able to carry all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery." So the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have them take their place there with you. So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord; and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they prophesied. But they did not do so again. Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and

the other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told Moses, “Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp.” And Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men, said, “My lord Moses, stop them!” But Moses said to him, “Are you jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord’s people were prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!”

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 124** (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

- 1 If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel now say;
- 2 If the Lord had not been on our side, when enemies rose up against us;
- 3 Then would they have swallowed us up alive in their fierce anger toward us;
- 4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us and the torrent gone over us;
- 5 Then would the raging waters have gone right over us.
- 6 Blessed be the Lord! he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.
- 7 We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; the snare is broken, and we have escaped.
- 8 Our help is in the Name of the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth.

**The Second Reading**

James 5: 13-20

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn** *Sweet hour of prayer*

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**Gospel**

Mark 9: 38-50

*Celebrant:* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us.” But Jesus said, “Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. “If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. “For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt

is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Music for worship** *Resting in Your arms*

Schram/Williams

St. Francis' Choir

**Homily**

Fr. Craig 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**

#### **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.

## 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 just and right so to do.

*The celebrant continues:*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty. 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)*

Lord God our Father: When we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you 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. On the cross he offered himself once for all as our Redeemer, 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. After he ascended to your right hand in glory, you sent your Holy Spirit, that we might become your holy people.

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."

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."

Now sanctify these gifts that they may become for us the Body and Blood of your Son, Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may be filled with your Holy Spirit and manifest your presence and power in the world.

Therefore, heavenly Father, as we joyfully proclaim our Lord's life, death, and resurrection, we offer ourselves, our souls and bodies, as a living sacrifice. Grant that we who partake of this Holy Communion may receive the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. At the last day bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

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 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** *Lord, dismiss with thy blessing*

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## **Dismissal**

*Celebrant:* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

## Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

1 Shep - herd of souls, re - fresh and bless thy cho - sen  
2 We would not live by bread a - lone, but by thy  
3 Be known to us in break - ing bread, and do not  
4 Lord, sup with us in love di - vine thy Bo - dy

pil - grim flock with man - na in the  
word of grace, in strength of which we  
then de - part; Sa - vior, a - bide with  
and thy Blood, that liv - ing bread, that

wil - der - ness, with wa - ter from the rock.  
trav - el on to our a - bid - ing - place.  
us, and spread thy ta - ble in our heart.  
heaven - ly wine, be our im - mor - tal food.

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# Sweet hour of prayer

1. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, That calls me from— a  
 2. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, Thy wings shall my— pe -  
 3. Sweet hour of prayer, sweet hour of prayer, May I thy con - so -

1. world of care, And bids me at my Fa - ther's throne Make  
 2. ti - tion bear To Him whose truth and faith - ful - ness En -  
 3. la - tion share, Till from Mount Pis - gah's loft - y height I

1. all my wants— and wish - es known. In sea - sons of dis -  
 2. gage the wait - ing soul to bless; And since He bids me  
 3. view my home— and take my flight: This robe of flesh I'll

1. tress and grief My soul has of - ten found re - lief.  
 2. seek His face, Be - lieve His word and trust His grace.  
 3. drop, and rise To seize the ev - er - last - ing prize.

1. And oft es - caped the tempt - er's snare By  
 2. I'll cast on Him my ev - 'ry care, And  
 3. And shout, while pass - ing through the air, "Fare -

# Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with thy bless - ing; fill our hearts with  
 2 Thanks we give and a - dor - a - tion for thy Gos - pel's  
 3 so that when thy love shall call us, Sa - vior, from the

joy and peace; let us each, thy love pos - sess - ing,  
 joy - ful sound: may the fruits of thy sal - va - tion  
 world a - way, fear of death shall not ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace: O re - fresh us,  
 in our hearts and lives a - bound: ev - er faith - ful,  
 glad thy sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.  
 ev - er faith - ful to thy truth may we be found;  
 may we ev - er reign with thee in end - less day.

Words: Att. John Fawcett (1739/40-1817) Music: *Sicilian Mariners*, Sicilian melody; first published *The European Magazine and London Review*, 1792, alt.

## Announcements

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

**Music Meditation** - Every Sunday at 8:45 am.

**Choir Practice** - Sundays at 4:15pm.

**Men's Prayer Breakfast with the Bishop** - October 6, 2018 at 8:00 am.

**Parish Picnic** - October 7, 2018 at 11:00 am at the Kerley home.

**Men's Group** - October 8, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

**Family Promise** - We are partnering again with 1st Presbyterian on October 7 and 8, 2018, so Sue Comstock requests volunteers for Sunday and Monday dinners (main course, salad or vegetable, and dessert).

**Nursery Care** - Help is needed and yours would be most welcome. Please sign up.



### DINNER AND A MOVIE!

MONDAY, **OCTOBER 8** 5:30 PM

ST. FRANCIS' FELLOWSHIP HALL

### "THE WAY"

Come to the St. Francis Fellowship Hall for a soup and salad supper and a movie! "The Way" refers to the ancient pilgrimage path to the shrine of St. James in northern Spain. In this film, a father completes the journey begun by his estranged son who died in a sudden mountain storm shortly after setting off, creating a meaningful story about processing grief. We'll have plenty of seating and food, so please feel free to invite women friends! Just sign up on the bulletin board so we can plan food quantities.

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### BOOK AND BRUNCH

SATURDAY, **OCTOBER 20** 10 am-noon

BRENDA BROWN'S HOME IN CAROLINA TRACE

250 Lakeview Drive

Our book selection is *The Summer Kitchen* by Lisa Wingate. This is a powerful story about an unlikely intersection of two people's lives that brings healing to them and leads to the creation of a place of refuge that unites a divided community. We'll gather at 10:00 for a potluck brunch, to be followed by small-group book discussions. Please sign up if you will attend, and plan to bring a brunch dish to share. The Lee County Library has obtained multiple copies of the book, which are available from Emily Hewett for checkout at St. Francis. If you prefer to purchase, used copies may be found online, and the book just recently became available on Kindle.

Sometimes, despite your best intentions, circumstances intervene and you find that you cannot attend. Should that happen, we ask that you let the event planners know as far in advance as possible. Thanks!

## EXPANDED PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES ON SUNDAY MORNINGS!

After each Sunday Eucharistic service, prayer will now be available in two forms:

- 1) Trained members of the prayer team will be on hand to pray for you personally and confidentially for any need. Simply walk over to any prayer team member (identified by a red badge), and you will be joined by one or more other prayer team members, move to a quiet corner, and be prayed for.
- 2) Blue prayer request cards have been placed in all pew pockets if you would prefer to submit a request in writing. Just fill out a card and drop it in either of the two red boxes (one at the back of the church and one on the table beside the door to the fellowship hall). Prayer team members will pray for written requests during the subsequent week.

Please be assured that all prayer requests are held in strictest confidence. Never consider a prayer need too small, too trivial...or too big! Prayer team members always begin by listening for God's direction, and only then do they verbalize the prayers that they sense on God's heart for you. Please take advantage of these new opportunities to receive God's comfort and peace!

# St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

*Mary Ella Teeter	Jennifer	Tommy Keith Davis
*Susan Johns	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Phil & Jo Maddox	Rebecca
*Paul Dempster	Ricky Parker	John Blasius
Ken Brown	Jimmy Coleman	Murray Ingerham
David Phillips	Aiden Hague	Christy Aylies
Mary Gillam	Madeleine Click	Mike Cochran
Charles Whaley	Mary Lineberry	*Charles Wick
David Dyson	David Ward	Marjorie J
Mary Proctor	Sylvia Spell	Joann Duke
James Cox	Bob Weber	
	*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 and Aziz.

**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 and Jason Williams.

**Pray for the departed:** Sidney Rosser, William Staton, Tarlton Schuyler, Agnes Milham, Olive Wilkins, Sandra Clark, Doris Lux, Eva Stanley, Donald Blackwelder.

**Altar Flowers** - Given by Charles and Ginger Wick to the Glory of God and in celebration of their 49<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

**Those serving today:**

Ushers:	JJ Cuff and Dwight Edmonds
Chalice Bearers:	Sue Comstock and Mark Mahaffey
Lectors:	Ron Hewett and Gordy Reese
Acolytes:	Morgan Gille and Emily Hanna
Coffee Hour:	The Reese and Gordon families
Nursery:	Stuart Smith and Josiah Garrison
Music Director:	Leslie Hanna
Organist:	Rosemary Parten
Altar Guild:	Susan Lewis, Katherine Crumpton, Lisa Meadows and Judy Tulloch

## 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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