# St. Francis' Anglican Church - Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 26, 2019

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# **Holy Baptism**

Processional Hymn: All things bright and beautiful Words and music on page 8

#### **Acclamation**

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: There is one hope in God's call to us;

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

## Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen*.

The First Reading Acts 16: 9-15

<sup>9</sup> And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." <sup>10</sup> And when Paul had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. <sup>11</sup> So, setting sail from Troas, we made a direct voyage to Samothrace, and the following day to Neapolis, <sup>12</sup> and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city some days. <sup>13</sup> And on the Sabbath day we went outside the gate to the riverside, where we supposed there was a place of prayer, and we sat down and spoke to the women who had come together. <sup>14</sup> One who heard us was a woman named Lydia, from the city of Thyatira, a seller of purple goods, who was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to pay attention to what was said by Paul. <sup>15</sup> And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." And she prevailed upon us.

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

# **Psalm 67** (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

7 May God give us his blessing, and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

The Second Reading Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

<sup>10</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, 22 Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. <sup>4</sup> They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

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

**Sequence Hymn** O Jesus, crowned with all renown

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**Gospel** John 14: 23-29

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. <sup>24</sup> Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. <sup>25</sup> "These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. <sup>26</sup> But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. <sup>27</sup> Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. <sup>28</sup> You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. <sup>29</sup> And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily Fr. Craig J. Lister

# The Baptismal Exhortation

Dearly beloved, Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God," and he commissioned the Church to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Therefore we will ask our heavenly Father that this candidate, being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received as a living member of Christ's holy Church.

#### **The Presentation**

*Celebrant:* The candidates(s) for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents: I present Abigail Jane Rozak to receive the holy sacrament.

Today, on behalf of this child, you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that this child are taught, as soon as they are able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. She must come to put her trust in Jesus, and learn the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of her soul. When she has embraced all these, having become a disciple of Jesus, she is to come to the Bishop to be

confirmed, that she may claim the Faith for her own and be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and his Kingdom.

Are you willing and ready to undertake this?

Parents and Godparents: I am, the Lord being my helper.

#### **Profession of Faith**

*Question:* Do you renounce the Devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world which corrupt and

destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

*Question:* Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer:* I renounce them.

Celebrant: Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light

and obedience of the kingdom of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Question: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and

New Testaments?

Answer: I do.

Question: Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days

of your life?

Answer: I will, the Lord being my helper.

*The celebrant then addresses the congregation, first inviting them to stand.* 

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in

Christ?

People: We will.

Celebrant: Let us join with this candidate to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal

confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Celebrant: Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

*People:* I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

*Celebrant:* Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

*People:* I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried: He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the

dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

People: I do. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the

forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. *Amen.* 

## Litany for the Candidate

Deacon: Let us now pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of Baptism

That this child may come to confess her faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior

People: We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord

Deacon: That she may continue in the apostles teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread,

and in the prayers.

People: We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Deacon: That Abigail may walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which she has been called, ever

growing in faith and all heavenly virtues.

People: We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord

Deacon: That she may persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever she falls into sin, repent and return to

the Lord.

People: We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Deacon: That she may proclaim by word and deed the Good News of God in Jesus Christ to a lost and

broken world.

People: We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Deacon: That as a living member of the Body of Christ, she may grow up in every way into him who is

the Head.

People: We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

Deacon: That, looking to Jesus, she may run with endurance the race set before her, and at the last

receive the unfading crown of glory.

People: We beseech you to hear us, Good Lord.

# Prayer for the candidate

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon this your servant. Wash and sanctify her through your Holy Spirit, that she may be delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, she may pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

#### Thanksgiving over the water

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

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People:* It is just and right so to do.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now, Father, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit. May all who are baptized here be cleansed from sin, be born again, and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen*.

#### The Baptism

The Celebrant continues: Name this Child.

Abigail Jane, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Abigail Jane, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. Amen.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, received her as your own child by adoption, made her a member of your Church, and raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit, that she may enjoy everlasting salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

The Celebrant continues: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People: We receive you into the fellowship of the Church. Confess the faith of Christ

crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of

all his people.

#### **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 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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son

Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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**

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** *I sing the almighty power of God* 

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### **Dismissal**

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

People: Thanks be to God, alleluia!

# All things bright and beautiful



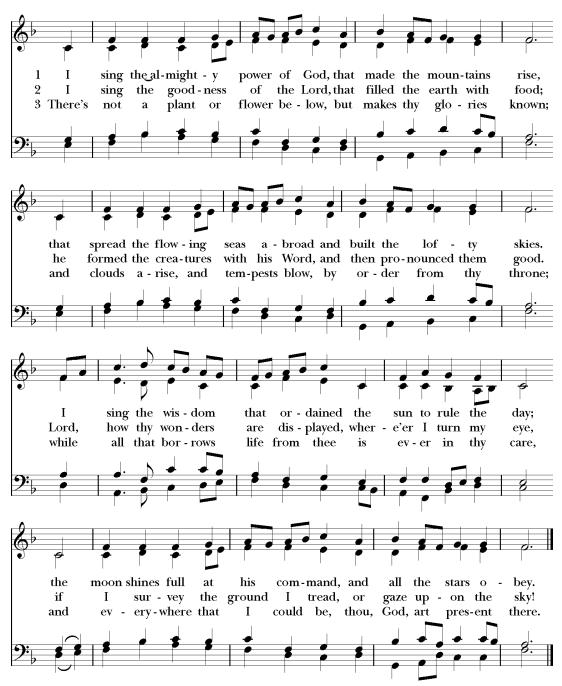
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# O Jesus, crowned with all renown



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# I sing the almighty power of God



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## Announcements

# Welcome Abigail Jane!

**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.

**Youth Group** - Will meet today at 5:30 pm.

Choir Practice - No choir practice today.

**Bible Study** - Letter to the Romans class on Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 6:30 pm.

Confirmation class - May 28, 2019 at 4:30 pm.

Ascension Day Eucharist - Thursday, May 30, 2019 at 11:30 am.

# COME TO A GARDEN TOUR AND PARTY!



TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 6:00 pm 1307 Gormly Circle



# PLEASE PLANTO CARPOOL BECAUSE OF LIMITED PARKING SPACE

Tour Susan Lewis's beautiful garden while sipping a cool drink and nibbling on hors d'oeuvres. Feel free to invite friends who love plants and would enjoy an evening of girl-fun! Sign up on the women's bulletin board so we'll know how many to expect. It will be helpful if just a few people volunteer to bring hors d'oeuvres or a beverage (wine or otherwise).

Ladies--save the date for...

# **A BABY SHOWER FOR THE REES FAMILY!**



Saturday, June 15, 10:30 am



Brenda brown's home

250 lakeview drive in Carolina Trace

Let's gather to welcome the newest member of the Rees family! Please sign up on the women's bulletin

# St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

Lesley Adams	Jennifer	Chase Serry
*Susan Johns	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Jo Maddox	Rebecca
*Paul Dempster	Jimmy King	John Blasius
*Ken Jeffries	Lisa Rickman Tice	Murray Ingerham
Kris	Aiden Hague	Tommy McDonald
Mary Gillam	Mike Stanford	*Harriett Tice
Ray Holland	Marcia Swanson	*Charles Wick
Mabel M.	Ed McCoy	Marjorie J
Lisa Anne Callis	Sylvia Spell	Joann Duke
James Cox	Jim Tatum	Linda McCaskle
*Ted Lawrence	Mina Townsend	Gordon Caldwell
Beth Main	Karen Tatum	*Lew Andersen
Hilton Lamm	Tony Swanson	*Anne Greenaway
	*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: Joe Dempster and Halley Callie.

**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.

**Altar Flowers** - The flowers on the altar are given by Craig and Johnnie Gordon to the Glory of God, and in thanksgiving for this congregation's warm and hospitable welcome to us as members of St. Francis Church, and finally as a "Goodbye"! We are moving to the Durham area, and are asking for your prayers that *God's will be done* as we seek our new church home in that area.

Pray for the departed: Speight Burrus, Rusty Hodges, Rich Quinn

#### Those serving today:

Ushers: Jerry Davis and Dwight Edmonds

Chalice Bearers: Bob and Peggy Nelson

Lectors: Mari Hann and Isabel Lawrence Acolytes: Hunter and Harris Wilkinson

Coffee Hour: Juli Anne Lawrence and Isabel Lawrence

Nursery: Josiah Garrison and Meg Hanna

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

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