St. Francis' Anglican Church - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 18, 2019

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Holy Eucharist

Processional Hymn: My faith looks up to Thee Words and music on page 7

Acclamation

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

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Gloria in Excelsis

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

Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Keep your Church, O Lord, by your perpetual mercy; and because without you the frailty of our nature causes us to fall, keep us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable for our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen*.

The First Reading

Jeremiah 23:23-29

²³ "Am I only a God nearby," declares the LORD, "and not a God far away? ²⁴ Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them?" declares the LORD. "Do not I fill heaven and earth?" declares the LORD. ²⁵ "I have heard what the prophets say who prophesy lies in my name. They say, 'I had a dream! I had a dream!' ²⁶ How long will this continue in the hearts of these lying prophets, who prophesy the delusions of their own minds? ²⁷ They think the dreams they tell one another will make my people forget my name, just as their ancestors forgot my name through Baal worship. ²⁸ Let the prophet who has a dream recount the dream, but let the one who has my word speak it faithfully. For what has straw to do with grain?" declares the LORD. ²⁹ "Is not my word like fire," declares the LORD, "and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

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

Psalm 82 (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

- 1 God takes his stand in the council of heaven; he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:
- 2 "How long will you judge unjustly, and show favor to the wicked?
- 3 Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and needy;
- 4 Rescue the weak and the poor; deliver them from the power of the wicked.

- 5 They do not know, neither do they understand; they go about in darkness; all the foundations of the earth are shaken.
- 6 Now I say to you, 'You are gods, and all of you children of the Most High;
- 7 Nevertheless, you shall die like mortals, and fall like any prince."
- 8 Arise, O God, and rule the earth, for you shall take all nations for your own.

The Second Reading

Hebrews 11:29-12:2

²⁹ By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as on dry land; but when the Egyptians tried to do so, they were drowned. ³⁰ By faith the walls of Jericho fell, after the army had marched around them for seven days. ³¹ By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient. 32 And what more shall I say? I do not have time to tell about Gideon, Barak, Samson and Jephthah, about David and Samuel and the prophets, ³³ who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, and gained what was promised; who shut the mouths of lions, ³⁴ quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword; whose weakness was turned to strength; and who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies. ³⁵ Women received back their dead, raised to life again. There were others who were tortured, refusing to be released so that they might gain an even better resurrection. ³⁶ Some faced jeers and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷ They were put to death by stoning: they were sawed in two; they were killed by the sword. They went about in sheepskins and goatskins, destitute, persecuted and mistreated—³⁸ the world was not worthy of them. They wandered in deserts and mountains, living in caves and in holes in the ground. ³⁹ These were all commended for their faith, vet none of them received what had been promised, ⁴⁰ since God had planned something better for us so that only together with us would they be made perfect. 12 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, ² fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

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

Sequence Hymn Awake my soul

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Gospel Luke 12:49-56

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

⁴⁹ "I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰ But I have a baptism to undergo, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think I came to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division. ⁵² From now on there will be five in one family divided against each other, three against two and two against three. ⁵³ They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law." ⁵⁴ He said to the crowd: "When you see a cloud rising in the west, immediately you say, 'It's going to rain,' and it does. ⁵⁵ And when the south wind blows, you say, 'It's going to be hot,' and it is. ⁵⁶ Hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of the earth and the sky. How is it that you don't know how to interpret this present time?

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily Fr. Craig J. Lister

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection (+) of the dead, and the life of the world to come. *Amen*.

Prayers of the People

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

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

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

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

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

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

Peace

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

People: And with your spirit.

Announcements

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

"Our fathers' God, to Thee,

Author of liberty, to thee we sing;

long may our land be bright, with freedom's holy light;

protect us by thy might, great God, our King." Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

The celebrant continues:

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

The Sanctus

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

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

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

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

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Consecration (the people may kneel)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become. subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace. On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. *Amen*.

The Prayer of Humble Access (Celebrant and People together)

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

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

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

Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving (the people may kneel)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and ever living God, we thank you for feeding us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us, through this Sacrament, of your favor and goodness towards us: that we are true members of the mystical body of your Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of your everlasting kingdom. And we humbly ask you, heavenly Father, to assist us with your grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all the good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen*.

Blessing (+)

Closing Hymn Holy God, we praise thy name (vss. 1-4)

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Dismissal

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

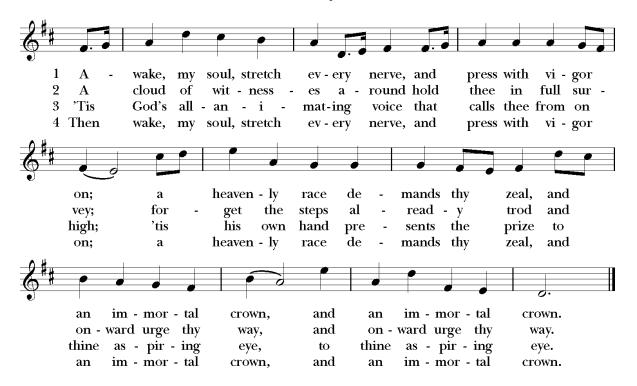
People: Thanks be to God.

My faith looks up to Thee



Words: Ray Palmer (1808-1887) Music: Olivet, Lowell Mason (1792-1872)

Awake my soul



Words: Philip Doddridge (1702-1751) Music: Siroë, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759); adapt. Melodia Sacra, 1815

Holy God, we praise thy name (vss. 1-4)



- 6 Thou didst take the sting from death, Son of God, as Savior given; on the cross thy dying breath opened wide the realm of heaven. In the glory of that land thou art set at God's right hand.
- 7 As our judge thou wilt appear.
 Savior, who hast died to win us,
 help thy servants, drawing near.
 Lord, renew our hearts within us.
 Grant that with thy saints we may
 dwell in everlasting day.

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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.

Slide Show - Available on the big screen in the Fellowship Hall.

Youth Group - Off for the summer.

Confirmation class - Recess until Fall.

Stewardship – Please, don't forget to turn in your pledges if you have not done so already.

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

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

Holy Eucharist - Wednesday, August 21, 2019 at 11:30 am.

St. Francis' Men's Group – Monday, August 19, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

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



LET YOUR INNER ARTIST COME OUT TO PLAY! BEGINNER'S WATERCOLOR CLASS

Taught by Pat Fein THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 9:30 AM

ST. FRANCIS FELLOWSHIP HALL

Come for a lighthearted watercolor painting class, taught by Sanford artist and St. Franciscan Pat Fein. Pat (a knowledgeable, gentle and encouraging teacher) will walk us systematically through the steps in beginning a watercolor piece in a quiet, leisurely atmosphere. To allow for individual guidance, the class will be limited to 16 persons, so please sign up (on the women's bulletin board) right away if you're interested!.

A fee of \$5.00 will cover the cost of shared materials as well as a wonderful set of 24 watercolor paints to take home. Class will last approximately $2-2\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Light refreshments will be provided

St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

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

*Member of St. Francis

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

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

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

Altar Flowers - The flowers on the altar are given by Roland and Helen Frechette to the Glory of God and in celebration of their wedding anniversary.

Pray for the departed: William Gregson, Clarence Myers.

Those serving today:

Ushers: Oliver Crawley and Ted Lawrence
Chalice Bearers: Sue Comstock and Mark Mahaffey
Lectors: Juli Anne Lawrence and Dana Garrett
Acolytes: Matthew Kerley and Kaleb Gordon

Coffee Hour: Chuck and Susan Lewis

Nursery: Jean Dabbs and Isabella Oberkirsch

Music Directors: Leslie and Audrey Hanna

Organist: Rosemary Parten

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

Vestry

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