

St. Francis Anglican Church

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GREETINGS

Welcome to our warm and friendly setting for true, Christ-centered worship. A traditional Anglican Church and a parish of The Episcopal Diocese of Fort Worth, under the oversight of Bishop Ryan Reed, St. Francis' liturgical standard is the 1928 Book of Common Prayer – a document that is orthodox in its expressions of the Christian faith, based on prayers that have been part of catholic worship for 2000 years. Please stay to visit in the fellowship area after the service. Also, sign the guestbook in the entry hall if you would like to receive more information about St. Francis.

MISSION STATEMENT

- We are a community of believers in the Gospel of Jesus Christ whose mission it is to spread that Gospel in what we preach and in the way we live.
- We are called to know the Word of God, to act on it in our lives and to share it with our brothers and sisters in the world.
- **We are determined** to uphold the ancient faith of our ancestors in the Anglican tradition, to offer traditional Christian values based on the Holy Word of God and to be faithful witnesses to the person of Jesus in the Austin Community.
- **St. Francis parish is dedicated** to the presence of Christ in the lives of the poor, the needy, the sick, to each other and to all those to whom Jesus comes to minister in his life on earth.
- **As a community of believers, we intend** to entrust our growth in love, in faith and in resources to the generosity of God.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Evening Prayer: Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. (including on Thanksgiving Day) All are welcome to worship with laity-led sung Evening Prayer at the church. You may attend virtually via Zoom. Email info@stfrancisaustin.org if interested to receive the Zoom meeting link.

PRAYER GROUPS

- **St. Francis Prayer Group**: If you would like to place a name on the list distributed to our active prayer group members, please use the prayer intention box at the left side at back of the church to submit your request. You may also email Fr. Len at rector@stfrancisaustin.org.
- **Prayer Service for our Nation**: *Pray God's Glory Across the Earth*. You are welcome to join us on Saturday, December 5, in the Fellowship area at 9 a.m. and via Zoom. The service will include hymns, prayers both read and extemporaneous and Bible readings on the seven centers of prayer: Government, Military, Media, Business, Education, Church, and Family. Contact Amy Crandell for more information and for the Zoom meeting link.
- **Mothers' Prayer Group**: Meets monthly at noon with the next meeting on Friday, December 18. Join this group of mothers as they pray extemporaneous prayers in the ACTS form of adoration, confession, thanksgiving and supplication, which includes prayer for each other's families. Contact Charlotte Ready with any questions. Every mother is welcome to attend.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

- **Sunday school classes** for youth is ongoing. Typically, the youth start out attending the 9:30 a.m. service. At the announcements, everyone goes upstairs to the classrooms. Missy Bernard is in charge of the Sunday school program and teaches the younger class. Doug Cooper works with the older youth.
- **Operation Christmas Child** at St. Francis. Today is packing day! The youth of the Sunday will assemble boxes of gift items that will be delivered around the world by Samaritan's Purse. Thanks to everyone who donated items or money to this cause. Typically, packing takes the entire hour set aside for Sunday school, so the youth will go directly up to the classrooms.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **November is pledge drive month**. Please prayerfully consider your pledge for this next year and fill out a Capital Campaign and Pledge Card. You can leave in the offering plate or mail to the church. The vestry would like the pledges by December 6.
- **2020 Christmas Family:** Each year, St. Francis works with Trotter House to adopt a family in need. This year we are helping a family of five: Mayra has four children between the ages of 15 months and 9 years old. Donations are being accepted to purchase two gifts per child with the extra going towards a gift card for the family. Cash or checks (payable to Trotter House with St. Francis Christmas Family on the note line) are accepted. See Susan Rambin or Charlotte Ready with questions. Thank you for your continual support and faithfulness.
- **Amazon Smile**: are you setup on Amazon.com to have part of your purchase cost be a donation to St. Francis. So far, not too many people have done this as we earned less than \$5 this quarter. Click https://smile.amazon.com/ch/74-2564742)
- **Organist until Christmas Eve:** Betty Lin Gallardo is on vacation to visit her family in Taiwan and will return on Christmas Eve. Jim Crandell will be playing the organ while she is gone.
- **Please wear your face covering while in the building!** This is very helpful to keep you from spreading germs to other people in the room. Extra face coverings are on table in the fellowship area for you to have no need to return them. Children are welcome to wear them, but not required.
- **The prayer shawl ministry** provides shawls to people who are in need of comfort and prayer. We welcome anyone who would like to participate either by knitting/crocheting these shawls or by helping with the purchase of yarn and supplies. Contact Charlotte Ready 512–288–5597.
- **St. Clare's Guild is a group of women** whose ministry is dedicated to serving our parish family in times of celebration, need, illness or loss. If you should find yourself and/or your family in one of these life situations, please contact Eileen Cole at 512.345.5231 or e-mail kecole@austin.rr.com.
- **If you are not a member** of St. Francis Anglican Church but would like to be, simply complete a registration form found on the table near the front door and give it to the Rector. If you wish to become a pledging member, complete a Pledge Card and drop it in the collection plate. It is that easy.

Anniversary this week: (Today) David & Adriane Kristo-Reinking • **Birthdays this week:** (25th) Steve McCown, Mary Boswell; (27th) Becky Hunt

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29 - First Sunday in Advent

Isaiah 64:1-9a Psalm 80 1 Corinthians 1:1-9 Mark 13:24-37

Bishop: The Rt. Rev'd Ryan S. Reed Rector: The Rev. Canon Len Giacolone Organist: Jim Crandell Acolyte: Arthur Woodgate

PROPERS FOR THE FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING, PROPER 29

COLLECT FOR TODAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the people of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen*.

PRAYER IN TIME OF GREAT SICKNESS AND MORTALITY

O most mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee unto thee for succor. Deliver us, we beseech thee, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts unto that heavenly wisdom which leadeth to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

EZEKIEL 34:11-17

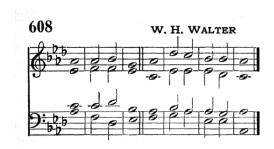
¹¹"For thus says the Lord GoD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when some of his sheep have been scattered abroad, so will I seek out my sheep; and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the fountains, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and upon the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on fat pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the crippled, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will watch over; I will feed them in justice. ¹⁷"As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord God: Behold, I judge between sheep and sheep, rams and he-goats.

Response: Thanks be to God.

PSALM 95: 1-7

O come, let us sing | unto · the LORD;

- * let us heartily rejoice in the strength of | our salvation.
- ² Let us come before his presence with
 - | thanksgiving;
 - * and show ourselves | glad in him with psalms.
- ³ For the LORD is a | **great** God;
 - * and a great | King above all gods.



- ⁴ In his hand are all the corners | of the earth;
 - * and the strength of the hills is I his also.
- ⁵ The sea is | his, and · he made it;
 - * and his hands pre- | -pared · the **dry** land.
- ⁶ O come, let us worship and | fall down,
 - * and kneel before the | LORD our **Ma**ker.
- ⁷ For he is the | Lord our God;
 - * and we are the people of his pasture, and the | sheep of his hand.

1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-28

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷"For God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "All things are put in subjection under him," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things under him. ²⁸When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things under him, that God may be everything to every one.

Response: Thanks be to God.

MATTHEW 25:31-46

Response: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] 31"When the Son of man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³²Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³ and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the King will say to those at his right hand, `Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; 35 for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and vou visited me. I was in prison and vou came to me. ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him. Lord, when did we see thee hungry and feed thee, or thirsty and give thee drink? ³⁸And when did we see thee a stranger and welcome thee, or naked and clothe thee? ³⁹And when did we see thee sick or in prison and visit thee?' ⁴⁰And the King will answer them, `Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.' 41Then he will say to those at his left hand, `Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, `Lord, when did we see thee hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to thee?' ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, `Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.' 46And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life "

Response: Praise be to thee, O Christ

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BIRTHDAY PRAYER

Watch over thy *children*, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be, keeping *them* unspotted from the world. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their hearts* may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of *their lives*; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.



HENRY FRANCIS LYTE, 1834, alt.; based on Psalm 103

General Hymns

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- 4 Crown him of lords the Lord,
 Who over all doth reign,
 Who once on earth, the incarnate Word,
 For ransomed sinners slain,
 Now lives in realms of light,
 Where saints with angels sing
 Their songs before him day and night,
 Their God, Redeemer, King.
- 5 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above; Crown him the King, to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love. Crown him with many crowns, As thrones before him fall, Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, For he is King of all.

Fr. Len says these prayers with those watching online.

Act of Reception

In union, dear Lord, with the faithful at every altar of thy Church where thy blessed Body and Blood are being offered to the Father, I desire to offer thee praise and thanksgiving. I believe that thou art truly present in the Holy Sacrament. And since I cannot now receive thee sacramentally, I beseech thee to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself unto thee, and embrace thee with all the affections of my soul. Let me never be separated from thee. Let me live and die in thy love. Amen.

Come Lord Jesus, dwell in thy servant in the fulness of thy strength, in the perfection of thy ways, and in the holiness of thy spirit, and rule over every hostile power in the might of thy Spirit, and to the glory of thy Father. Amen.

May the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ preserve my body and soul unto everlasting life. Amen.

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