

#### 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 liturgy 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.

**Please Note: Communion at St. Francis** is in the species of the Body and the Blood of Christ. Currently our practice is for the Blood of Christ to be by intinction only. If you wish to receive the Blood of Christ, leave the wafer in the palm of your hand. The Priest will dip it in the cup and place on your tongue.

### St. Francis Events This Week

Today	After each service, Healing Prayers at the Altar Rail. 9:45 a.m., Youth Sunday School, upstairs 10:00 a.m., Choir Practice ~12:45 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study with lunch, upstairs
May 23	Monday, 6 p.m. Vestry Meeting via Zoom
May 24	Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Bible study on Proverbs via Zoom only
May 25	Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Catechism Class, via Zoom
May 26	Ascension Day, Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Evening Prayer, via Zoom or in- person
May 27	Friday, 4:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves and Fishes Make Ready and Food Truck at St. Louis Catholic Church. In person only
	7:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study at the McCown's house in the Shady Hollow neighborhood in south Austin. In person only.
Email info@stfrancisaustin.org if interested in joining via Zoom to get the 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 located in the fellowship hall to submit your request. You may also email Becky Hunt at PrayerList@stfrancisaustin.org.

**Prayer Service for our Nation**: Exalt the Lord who has established us!. You are welcome to join us on Saturday, June 4 in the Fellowship area at 10 a.m. The service will include hymns, prayers – both read and extemporaneous –on the seven centers of prayer.

**Mothers' Prayer Group**: Meets monthly at noon with the next meeting on Friday, June 17. 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**

- Christian Education for Youth is having the last class for this school year today. Classes will start up again the Sunday after Labor Day, September 11. Thanks to the teachers who gave of their time this year Doug Cooper, Missy Bernard, Sue Orr, Adriane Kristo-Reinking, and Fr. Rogers Meredith. A big thank you to the parents who brought their children to Sunday school. About 10 children and youth attend the two Sunday school classes.
- **Adult Catechism class Wednesdays, 7:00 to 7:30 p.m.,** All are welcome to join us as we work through the questions list in the book: "To Be a Christian". An email will be sent out with the link to the Zoom meeting on Wednesday morning.
- **Bible study for Adults:** 1) Today at 12:45, lunch and Lectionary Bible Study 2) Tuesday from 7:00 -8:15 p.m. on Zoom studying Proverbs. 3) Friday at 7:30 p.m., Lectionary Bible Study at the McCown's house

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Our celebrant today is** Fr. Rogers Meredith. After serving as Pastor in a non-denominational church, followed by Priest in another Anglican jurisdiction, he has recently become a non-parochial Priest in our Diocese and is honored to be able to serve as one of the supply Priests until the Vestry can choose a new Rector. He and his family his wife, Marlene and daughter, Naomi are members of St. Francis.
- **Thursday is Ascension Day.** As we don't have a Priest to hold a weekday Holy Communion service, all are welcome to attend Evening Prayer at the church at 7 p.m. to celebrate this day.
- **May has 5 Sundays!** This means a parish potluck luncheon next Sunday after the 11:00 service. Plan to bring something tasty to eat to share with your St. Francis friends.
- Mark your calendars! Bishop Ackerman is coming to St. Francis on Trinity Sunday, June 12. The St. Polycarp's Men's Guild will provide the meat and the St. Clare's Guild the sides for the very special luncheon/reception honoring the Bishop.
- The Texas Alliance for Life 28th Annual Walk for Life is June 18. Doug and Cesiah Cooper are the St. Francis walkers and are requesting pledges to benefit the prolife activities of TAL, as well as support Texas pro-life social services agencies Their goal is \$1500. See Doug or Cesiah for further details.
- **Our services** continue to be live streamed on Facebook. Both services are saved on Facebook for 30 days. The 9:30 services is saved to the website within 20 minutes after the service ends.
- **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.

Anniversary this week: (23rd) Claude and Missy Bernard

# **READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK**

5/26 Ascension Day

Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 47 Luke 24:49-53 5/29 Sunday after Ascension

<u>Day</u>

Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 47 Revel. 22:12-14, 16-17, 20 John 17:20-26

Bishop: The Rt. Rev'd Ryan S. Reed Celebrant: The Rev. Rogers Meredith

9:30 Acolyte & Lector: Arthur Woodgate; Ushers: John Goodrich / Jim Britt 11:00: Acolyte: Gideon Hatley • Lector: Jim Crandell • Ushers: Bill Palmer / Jim

Crandell

Organist: Betty Lin Gallardo

### **Order of Service**

# Procession (hymn at 11:00 only)



# **Collect for Purity (kneel)**

<u>Priest</u>: Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid; Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

# **Summary of the Law**

<u>Priest</u>: Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets.

## **Kyrie Eleison**

<u>Priest</u>: Lord, have mercy upon us.

<u>All</u> Christ, have mercy upon us.

<u>Priest</u> Lord, have mercy upon us.

<u>Priest</u>: The Lord be with you.

<u>All</u>: And with thy spirit.

<u>Priest</u>: Let us pray.

## **THE COLLECT**

O LORD, from whom all good things do come; Grant to us thy humble servants, that by thy holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by thy merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen..

#### **Acts 14:8-18**

<sup>8</sup>Now at Lystra there was a man sitting, who could not use his feet; he was a cripple from birth, who had never walked. <sup>9</sup>He listened to Paul speaking; and Paul, looking intently at him and seeing that he had faith to be made well, <sup>10</sup>said in a loud voice, "Stand upright on your feet." And he sprang up and walked. <sup>11</sup>And when the crowds saw what Paul had done, they lifted up their voices, saying in Lycao'nian, "The gods have come down to us in the likeness of men!" <sup>12</sup>Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul, because he was the chief speaker, they called Hermes. <sup>13</sup>And the priest of Zeus, whose temple was in front of the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates and wanted to offer sacrifice with the people. <sup>14</sup>But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard of it, they tore their garments and rushed out among the multitude, crying, <sup>15</sup>"Men, why are you doing this? We also are men, of like nature with you, and bring you good news, that you should turn from these vain things to a living God who made the heaven and the earth and the sea and all that is in them. <sup>16</sup>In past generations he allowed all the nations to walk in their own ways; <sup>17</sup>yet he did not leave himself without witness, for he did good and gave you from heaven rains and

fruitful seasons, satisfying your hearts with food and gladness." <sup>18</sup>With these words they scarcely restrained the people from offering sacrifice to them.

#### **PSALM 67**

God be merciful unto | us, and bless us,

- \* and show us the light of his countenance, and be | merci·ful unto us;
- <sup>2</sup>That thy way may be | known up•on earth, \* thy saving health a- | -mong all **na**tions.
- <sup>3</sup> Let the peoples praise | thee, O God;
  - \* yea, let all the | peoples **praise** thee.



- <sup>4</sup> O let the nations re- | -joice and · be glad;
  - \* for thou shalt judge the folk righteously, and govern the | nations· up**on** earth.
- <sup>5</sup> Let the peoples praise | thee, O God;
  - \* yea, let all the | peoples **praise** thee.
- <sup>6</sup> Then shall the earth bring | forth her increase;
  - \* and God, even our own God, shall | give us. his **bless**ing.
- <sup>7</sup> God | **shall** bless us;
  - \* and all the ends of the | world shall fear him.

#### **REVELATION 21:22-22:5**

<sup>22</sup>And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup>And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine upon it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup>By its light shall the nations walk; and the kings of the earth shall bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup> and its gates shall never be shut by day -- and there shall be no night there; <sup>26</sup>they shall bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup>But nothing unclean shall enter it, nor any one who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then he showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2through 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; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup>There shall no more be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and his servants shall worship him; 4they shall see his face, and his name shall be on their foreheads. 5And night shall be no more; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they shall reign for ever and ever.

#### **JOHN 14:23-29**

Response: Glory be to thee, O Lord

<sup>23</sup>Jesus said to his disciples, "If a man 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>He who does not love me does not keep my words; and the word which 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 Counselor, 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 go away, and I will come to you.' If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I go 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.

Response: Praise be to thee, O Christ.

### **NICENE CREED**

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God; Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very God: Begotten, not made; Being of one substance with the Father; By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man: And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spoke by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. **Amen.** 

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **ANNIVERSARY PRAYER (OPTIONAL)**

## **BIRTHDAY PRAYER (OPTIONAL)**

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 there heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **SERMON HYMN (HYMN AT 11:00 ONLY)**



5 Sure hope doth thither lead us; Our longings thither tend; May short-lived toil ne'er daunt us For joys that cannot end. 6 To Christ, the Sun that lightens His Church above, below; To Father, and to Spirit All things created bow. Amen.

Latin, 18th cent.; Tr. ISAAC WILLIAMS, 1839

#### Sermon

### **Offertory Sentence**

#### Offertory

# **Doxology and America (at 11:00)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him, all creatures here below Praise Him above the 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.

# **Prayer for Christ's Church (kneel)**

<u>Priest</u>: Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church.

Almighty and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men; We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to accept our [alms and] oblations, and to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

We beseech thee also, so to direct and dispose the hearts of all Christian Rulers, that they may truly and impartially administer justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and other Ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

And to all thy People give thy heavenly grace; and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service, and to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.

All: Amen.

## **Exhortation**

<u>Priest</u>: Ye who do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways; Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, devoutly kneeling.

## **General Confession**

<u>All:</u> Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men; We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we, from time to time, most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Absolution**

<u>Priest</u>: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto 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.

All: Amen.

#### **Comfortable Words**

<u>Priest:</u> Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. [St. Matt xi. 28.]

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everliving life. [St. John iii, 16.]

Hear also what Saint Paul saith.

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. [I Tim. i. 15.]

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the Propitiation for our sins. [I. St. John ii. I, 2.]

#### Sursum Corda

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

<u>Priest</u>: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

All: It is meet and right so to do.

<u>Priest</u>: It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

# Proper preface

Therefore, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee and saying.

<u>All:</u> Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts, Heaven and earth are full of thy glory; Glory be to thee, O Lord most High; Blessed is he who cometh in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest.

# **Prayer of Consecration**

<u>Priest</u>: All glory be to thee, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, for that thou, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again: For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took Bread; and when he had given thanks, he brake 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, he took the Cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins; Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, according to the institution of thy dearly beloved Son our Saviour Jesus Christ, we, thy humble servants, do celebrate and make here before thy Divine Majesty, with these thy holy gifts, which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; rendering unto thee most hearty thanks for the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us; and, of thy almighty goodness, vouchsafe to bless and sanctify, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, these thy gifts and creatures of bread and wine; that we, receiving them according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness, mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant that, by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we, and all thy whole Church, may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and living sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that we, and all others who shall be partakers of this Holy Communion, may

worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction, and made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. And although we are unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice; yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

All: Amen.

## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

Priest: And now, as our Saviour Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say.

<u>All:</u> 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Prayer of Humble Access**

<u>All</u>: We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy 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.

# **Angus Dei**

Priest: O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

<u>All</u>: have mercy upon us.

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Priest: O Lamb of God, who takest away the sins of the world,

All grant us thy peace.

# Spiritual Communion Prayer (at 9:30 only)

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 com spiritually into my heart. I unit 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 fullness of thy strength, in the perfection of thy ways, and in the holiness of thy spirit, and rule over every hostile power in thy 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.

# **Communion of the People**

# **Post-Communion Prayer (kneel)**

<u>Priest:</u> Let us pray.

<u>All:</u> Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost vouchsafe to feed us who have duly received these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favour and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, which is the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs through hope of thy everlasting kingdom, by the merits of his most precious death and passion. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

#### Gloria in Excelsis

GLORY be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us. For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# **Benediction (kneel)**

<u>Priest:</u> The Peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the Blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

All: Amen.

# Recessional (stand, hymn at 11:00 service only)



**Closing Prayer** Response: Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!