



ST. FRANCIS ANGLICAN CHURCH
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 The 3rd Sunday after Epiphany
 Jan. 22, 2023



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.

St. Francis is currently searching for a Rector. Until then, Fr. Rogers Meredith will celebrate Communion on most Sundays, and as the Interim Rector, will provide pastoral care as needed. Do not hesitate to contact him at holyaustin1959@gmail.com or call 970-629-8778. He has a stack of business cards on the table in the entry hall. Please include our search committee and this process in your prayers. We are looking for God's will to be accomplished.

ST. FRANCIS EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today	9:15 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. - Nursery for young children After each service, Healing Prayers at the Altar Rail 9:45 a.m. - Sunday School for youth, upstairs 10:00 a.m. - Choir practice, upstairs ~12:30 p.m. – annual meeting in the church
Jan. 24	Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Bible study via Zoom only
Jan. 26	Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Catechism Class, via Zoom
Jan. 27	Thursday, 7 p.m., Evening Prayer, in-person and via Zoom
Jan. 28	Friday, Noon, Mother's Prayer Group.
Jan. 20	Friday, 4:30 p.m. Mobile Loaves and Fishes Make Ready and Food Truck at St. Louis Catholic Church. 7:30 p.m. Lectionary Bible Study at the McCown's house in the Shady Hollow neighborhood in south Austin. In person only
	For information, email info@stfrancisaustin.org

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 back of the church 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 Feb. 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 on Jan. 20 at noon for an hour of extemporaneous prayers of adoration, thanksgiving, confession, and supplication in the fellowship area. All mothers are welcome to join us.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

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". If you are interested in attending, please email info@stfrancisaustin.org.

Youth Christian Education: the youth attend the first part of the 9:30 service and leave at the announcements to attend class upstairs. Missy Bernard leads the program and teaches the younger class, along with Adriane Kristo-Reinking as the occasional substitute. Doug Cooper leads the older class.

Bible study for adults: Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. and the 2nd and 4th Fridays (from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.) and Sundays (from 1 to 2 pm).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, after the 11:00 service is the 2023 Annual Meeting. We will review the budget for 2023 and hear reports of what happened last year, as well as other reports the Diocese wants us to present. The vestry decided, with the Bishop's approval to postpone vestry elections for a year.

Today is also Pro Life Sunday . Check out the bulletin insert.

Saturday, January 28: Texas March and Rally for Life: All are encouraged to participate in the March and Rally for Life. The March begins at 1 pm at 14th and San Jacinto and the Rally is at 2 pm on the south steps of the Capitol.

January 29 is the first 5th Sunday of 2023! This means a potluck luncheon after the 11:00 service. As always, bring something tasty to eat and share with everyone else.

Fr. Andrew Brummett will return to St. Francis to celebrate Communion with us on January 29.

The Diocesan Annual Men's Conference is February 10-11 at St. Peter & Paul, 3900 Morris Lane, Arlington, TX 76016. Dr. Ken Wilgus, a licensed psychologist who specializes in the treatment of adolescents and their families, couples therapy and individual therapy with adults. Registration is at fwmensconference.com.

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.

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.

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 Senior Warden, Doug Cooper. If you wish to become a pledging member, complete a Pledge Card and drop it in the collection plate. It is that easy.

Birthday this week: (25 th) Naomi Meredith

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, 4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Micah 6:1-8

Psalm 37:1-6

1 Corinthians 1:18--31

Matthew 5:1-12

Bishop: The Rt. Rev'd Ryan S. Reed

Celebrant: The Reverend Rogers Meredith

9:30 *Acolyte & Lector:* David Kristo-Reinking; *Ushers:* Don Brown / Dan Harrison

11:00 *Acolyte:* Gideon Hatley • *Lector:* Doug Cooper • *Ushers:* Bill Palmer / Cliff Collins

Organist: Jim Crandell

PROPERS FOR THE 3RD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

COLLECT OF THE DAY

ALMIGHTY and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities, and in all our dangers and necessities stretch forth thy right

hand to help and defend us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

AMOS 3:1-8

¹Hear this word that the LORD has spoken against you, O people of Israel, against the whole family which I brought up out of the land of Egypt: ²"You only have I known of all the families of the earth; therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities. ³"Do two walk together, unless they have made an appointment? ⁴Does a lion roar in the forest, when he has no prey? Does a young lion cry out from his den, if he has taken nothing?

⁵Does a bird fall in a snare on the earth, when there is no trap for it? Does a snare spring up from the ground, when it has taken nothing?

⁶Is a trumpet blown in a city, and the people are not afraid? Does evil befall a city, unless the LORD has done it? ⁷Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets. ⁸The lion has roared; who will not fear? The Lord GOD has spoken; who can but prophesy?"

PSALM 139:1-11

O LORD, thou hast searched me | out, and known me.

* Thou knowest my down-sitting, and mine uprising; thou understandest my | **thoughts** long before.

² Thou art about my path, and a- | -bout my bed;

* and art ac- | -quainted • with all my ways.

³ For lo, there is not a word | in my tongue,

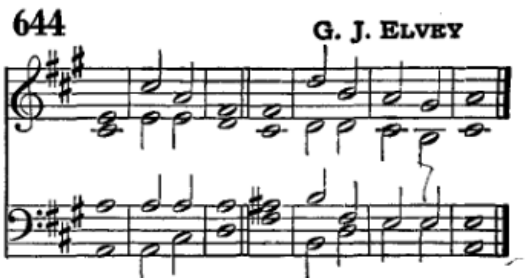
* but thou, O LORD, | knowest • it altogether.

⁴ Thou hast beset me behind | and before,

* and | laid thine hand upon me.

⁵ Such knowledge is too wonderful and | excel • lent for me;

* I cannot at - | -**tain** unto it.



⁶ Whither shall I go then | from thy Spirit?

* or whither shall I | go then from thy presence?

⁷ If I climb up into heaven, | thou art there;

* if I go down to hell, | thou art **there** also.

⁸ If I take the wings | of the morning,

* and remain in the uttermost | **parts** of the sea;

⁹ Even there also shall | thy hand lead me,

* and | thy right hand shall hold me.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-17

¹⁰I appeal to you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chlo'e's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. ¹²What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apol'los," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." ¹³Is Christ divided?

MATTHEW 4:12-23

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord

¹²When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; ¹³and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Caper'na-um by the sea, in the territory of Zeb'ulun and Naph'tali, ¹⁴that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵"The land of Zeb'ulun and the land of Naph'tali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles -- ¹⁶the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." ¹⁸As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is

¹⁰ If I say, Peradventure the darkness shall | cover me;

* then shall my | night be turned to day.

¹¹ Yea, the darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear | as the day;

* the darkness and light to | thee are both alike.

Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I am thankful that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Ga'ius; ¹⁵lest any one should say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Steph'anas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized any one else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen.

¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zeb'edee and John his brother, in the boat with Zeb'edee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him. ²³And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

Response: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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*Joyfully*CONRAD KOCHER, 1838, *alt.*

1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;
 2 As with joy-ful steps they sped To that low-ly man-ger-bed;
 3 As they of-fer'd gifts most rare At that man-ger rude and bare;

As with joy they hailed its light, Lead-ing on-ward, beam-ing bright;
 There to bend the knee be-fore Him whom heav'n and earth a-dore;
 So may we with ho-ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al-loy,

So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev-er-more be led to thee.
 So may we with will-ing feet Ev-er seek the mer-cy-seat.
 All our cost-liest treasures bring, Christ! to thee, our heav'n-ly King. A-men.

4 Holy Jesus! every day
 Keep us in the narrow way;
 And, when earthly things are past,
 Bring our ransomed souls at last
 Where they need no star to guide,
 Where no clouds thy glory hide.

5 In the heav'nly country bright,
 Need they no created light;
 Thou its light, its joy, its crown,
 Thou its sun which goes not down:
 There for ever may we sing
 Alleluias to our King. Amen.

WILLIAM CHATTERTON DIX, 1860

With dignity

1 Je - sus calls us; o'er the tu - mult Of our life's wild, rest-less sea,
2 As, of old, Saint An-drew heard it By the Gal - i - le - an lake,
3 Je - sus calls us from the wor - ship Of the vain world's gold-en store;

Day by day his clear voice sound-eth, Say - ing, "Christian, fol-low me;"
Turned from home and toil and kin - dred, Leav-ing all for his dear sake.
From each i - dol that would keep us, Say - ing, "Christian, love me more."

1st Tune

A - men.

4 In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these."

2nd Tune

A - men.

5 Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,
Saviour, make us hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thine obedience,
Serve and love thee best of all. Amen.

CECIL FRANCES ALEXANDER, 1852, *alt.*

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Epiphany

65. 65. D., with Refrain

VALOUR

ARTHUR HENRY MANN, 1889

With movement

1 From the east-ern moun-tains Press-ing on they come,
2 There their Lord and Sa - viour Meek and low - ly lay,

Wise men in their wis - dom To his hum - ble home;
Won-drous Light that led them On - ward on their way,

Stirred by deep de - vo - tion, Hast - ing from a - far,
Ev - er now to light - en Na - tions from a - far,

Ev - er jour - ney - ing on - ward, Guid - ed by a star.
As they jour - ney home - ward By that guid - ing star.

Refrain

Light of Light that shin - eth Ere the worlds be - gan,

Draw thou near, and light - en Ev - 'ry heart of man. A - men.

3 Thou who in a manger
Once hast lowly lain,
Who dost now in glory
O'er all kingdoms reign,
Gather in the heathen,
Who in lands afar
Ne'er have seen the brightness
Of thy guiding star.

Refrain

4 Gather in the outcasts,
All who've gone astray,
Throw thy radiance o'er them,
Guide them on their way,
Those who never knew thee,
Those who've wandered far,
Lead them by the brightness
Of thy guiding star.

Refrain

5 Guide them through the darkness
Of the lonely night,
Shining still before them
With thy kindly light,
Until every nation,
Whether bond or free,
'Neath thy starlit banner,
Jesus, follows thee.

Refrain

Amen.

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