

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.

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 <a href="https://no.puse.needed.org/needed-base-stack-need

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. – 5 th Sunday Potluck Luncheon
Jan. 31	Tuesday, 7:00 p.m., Bible study via Zoom only
Feb. 1	Wednesday, 7:00 p.m., Catechism Class, via Zoom
Feb. 2	Thursday, 7 p.m., Evening Prayer, in-person and via Zoom
Feb. 4	Saturday, 10:00 a.m Prayers for the Nation.
	For information, email <u>info@stfrancisaustin.org</u>

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 Feb 17 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

Last Sunday, we reviewed a statistical report for 2022, discussed the budget for 2023, elected John Hatley to be the St. Francis delegate to the convention in November and Cliff Jones to be the alternate.

Today 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.

We welcome Fr. Andrew Brummett to preach and celebrate Communion with us today.

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.

Are you or your child (age 13 or older) interested in being confirmed? If so, please contact Fr. Rogers. Bishop Reed is scheduled to visit St. Francis on June 11, 2023.

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: (30th) Allison Merkel; (31st) Ben Ellis; (February 1st) Dan Harrison; (2nd) Bud Lockhart

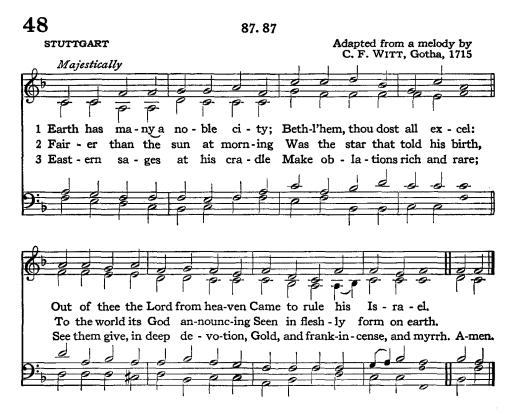
READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, SEPTUAGESIMA

Habakkuk 3:1-6, 17-19 Psalm 27:1-7 1 Corinthians 2:1-11 Matthew 5:13-20

Bishop: The Rt. Rev'd Ryan S. Reed Celebrant: The Reverend Andrew Brummett 9:30 Acolyte & Lector: Arthur Woodgate; Ushers: Roy Jones / Dan Harrison 11:00: Acolyte: Gideon Hatley • Lector: Cliff Collins • Ushers: Mack Lindsey / Mike Ready Organist: Jim Crandell

Order of Service

Procession (hymn at 11:00 only)



- 4 Sacred gifts of mystic meaning: Incense doth their God disclose, Gold the King of kings proclaimeth, Myrrh his sepulcher foreshows.
- 5 Jesus, whom the Gentiles worshipped At thy glad epiphany, Unto thee, with God the Father And the Spirit, glory be. Amen.

AURELIUS CLEMENS PRUDENTIUS, 348-413; Tr. EDWARD CASWALL, alt.

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.

Collect

¶ Then the Priest may say,

O ALMIGHTY Lord, and everlasting God, vouchsafe, we beseech thee, to direct, sanctify, and govern, both our hearts and bodies, in the ways of thy laws, and in the works of thy commandments; that, through thy most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

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

Priest: Let us pray.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

O GOD, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

MICAH 6:1-8

¹Hear what the LORD says: Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. ²Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the LORD, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the LORD has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel. ³"O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! ⁴For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of bondage; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam. ⁵O my people, remember what Balak king of Moab devised, and what Balaam the son of Be'or answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the LORD." ⁶"With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? ⁷Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousands of rivers of oil? Shall I give my first-born for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?" ⁸He has showed you, O man, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

PSALM 37:1-6

FRET not thyself because of the ungodly; * neither be thou envious against the evil doers.

- ² For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, * and be withered even as the green herb.
- ³ Put thou thy trust in the Lord, and be doing good; * dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.
- ⁴ Delight thou in the Lord, * and he shall give thee thy heart's desire.

- ⁵ Commit thy way unto the Lord, and put thy trust in him, * and he shall bring it to pass.
- ⁶ He shall make thy righteousness as clear as the light, * and thy just dealing as the noonday.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:18-31

¹⁸For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the cleverness of the clever I will thwart."20 Where is the wise man? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. ²²For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, ²³but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, ²⁴but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. ²⁶For consider your call, brethren; not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth; ²⁷but God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise, God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong, ²⁸God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, ²⁹so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. ³⁰He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom, our righteousness and sanctification and redemption; ³¹therefore, as it is written, "Let him who boasts, boast of the Lord."

MATTHEW 5:1-12

Response: Glory be to Thee, O Lord

¹Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him. ²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying: ³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. ⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth. ⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied. ⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy. ⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God. ⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. ¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ¹¹"Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Response: Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

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

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)



Sermon

Offertory Sentence

Offertory

Choir Anthem at the 11:00 service

I Will Sing of Thy Mercies

By Felix Mendelssohn, setting by Carlton Young

I will sing of thy great mercies, O Lord of thy mercies, O Lord, my Savior I will sing of they great mercies, O Lord And of thy faithfulness evermore.

I will sing, O Lord

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and of thy faithfulness evermore. I will sing of thy great mercies, O Lord, and of thy faithfulness evermore. And of thy faithfulness evermore.

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)

Priest: 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

Priest: 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: The Lord be with

All: And with thy spirit

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

<u>All</u>: 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.

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, 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.

<u>All</u>: 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.

<u>Angus Dei</u>

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

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

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All: have mercy upon us.

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

All grant us thy peace.

Communion of the People

Post-Communion Prayer (kneel)

Priest: Let us pray.

All: 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 execelsis (stand)

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, heav'nly 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.

<u>All</u>: Amen.

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

54 (For the last Sunday after Epiphany)



Closing Prayer Response: Thanks be to God.