



# ST. FRANCIS ANGLICAN CHURCH

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The 14th Sunday after Trinity

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ANGLICAN CHURCH  
IN NORTH AMERICA

## 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. All are welcome to worship with laity-led sung Evening Prayer at the church. You may attend virtually via Zoom. Email [info@stfrancisaustin.org](mailto: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](mailto:rector@stfrancisaustin.org).

**Prayer Service for our Nation:** *Pray God's Glory Across the Earth.* You are welcome to join us on Saturday, October 3, 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, September 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.

## CALENDAR ITEMS

**Vestry Meeting:** Monday, September 14 at 6 p.m. via Zoom. Members of the Vestry are Jim Britt, Donna Hunt, David Kristo-Reinking, Doug Cooper, Jim Crandell, Michael Ready, Christina Hatley, and Fr. Len Giacalone. One of the items on the list is to vote on a new Vestry member to fill the term that ends in 2023..

**Home groups** - St. Francis has three home groups that are currently meeting via Zoom. All welcome anyone to join them. Contact [info@stfrancisaustin.org](mailto:info@stfrancisaustin.org) if interested in participating and to be given the Zoom meeting link..

- Weekly on Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30
- The 2nd and 4th Sunday from 7 to 8:30
- The 2nd and 4th Friday from 7:30 - 9:

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**40 Days for Life** From September 23rd-November 1st, St. Francis will unite with churches across Central Texas for a 40-day campaign of prayer, fasting, and a constant peaceful prayer vigil in front of a local abortion facility. Please go to [CentralTexasCoalition.com](http://CentralTexasCoalition.com) to find out how you can participate in 40 Days for Life.

**Donations of gently used clothing** are still being accepted. These will be made available to folks who come to the Mobile Loaves and Fishes Food Truck on the 4th Friday of the month. Leave your items on the card table in the entry hall.

**The nursery is open!** Children are welcome to play in the nursery between 9:15 and 11:00. Parents should maintain a healthy distance from other adults while dropping children off or picking them up.

**Sunday School classes** for youth will begin Oct. 4.

**Altar Flowers:** If you would like to make a donation as a thank offering or for a remembrance, please use the envelopes in the back of the church to indicate the reason, place your check inside, and place in the box provided. You can also pay online with Paypal from the website.

**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 Anglicans for Life** group has once again started collecting diapers, wipes, and other baby things for the Trotter House. They particularly need sizes 1 & 6 diapers, wipes, baby bottles, and specifically "Similac Advanced" formula. Please leave the your donation in the entry hall.

**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](mailto: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:** (16th) Brian and Kerry Glenn • **Birthdays this week:** (15th) Michelle Collins; 18 Curran Peter Hatley

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2020- the 15th Sunday after Trinity, Proper 20**

Jonah 3:10-4:11

Psalm 145:1-8

Philippians 1:21-27

Matthew 20:1-16

*Bishop:* The Rt. Rev'd Ryan S. Reed  
*Rector:* The Rev. Canon Len Giacolone  
*Music Director:* Betty Lin Gallardo

**PROPERS FOR THE 14TH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY AND PROPER 19**

**COLLECT FOR TODAY**

Almighty and everlasting God, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

**ECCLESIASTICUS 27:30-28:7**

<sup>30</sup>Anger and wrath, these also are abominations, and the sinful man will possess them. <sup>1</sup>He that takes vengeance will suffer vengeance from the Lord, and he will firmly establish his sins. <sup>2</sup>Forgive your neighbor the wrong he has done, and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray. <sup>3</sup>Does a man harbor anger against another, and yet seek for healing from the Lord? <sup>4</sup>Does he have no mercy toward a man like himself, and yet pray for his own sins? <sup>5</sup>If he himself, being flesh, maintains wrath, who will make expiation for his sins? <sup>6</sup>Remember the end of your life, and cease from enmity, remember destruction and death, and be true to the commandments. <sup>7</sup>Remember the commandments, and do not be angry with your neighbor; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook ignorance.

*Response: Thanks be to God.*

**PSALM 103:8-13**

<sup>8</sup>The Lord is full of compassion and mercy, \* longsuffering, and of great goodness.

<sup>9</sup> He will not always be chiding; \* neither keepeth he his anger for ever.

<sup>10</sup> He hath not dealt with us after our sins; \* nor rewarded us according to our wickednesses.

<sup>11</sup> For look how high the heaven is in comparison of the earth; \* so great is his mercy also toward them that fear him.

<sup>12</sup> Look how wide also the east is from the west; \* so far hath he set our sins from us.

<sup>13</sup> Yea, like as a father pitieth his own children; \* even so is the Lord merciful unto them that fear him.

## **ROMANS 14:5-12**

<sup>5</sup>One man esteems one day as better than another, while another man esteems all days alike. Let everyone be fully convinced in his own mind. <sup>6</sup>He who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. He also who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God; while he who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. <sup>7</sup>None of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. <sup>8</sup>If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. <sup>9</sup>For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living. <sup>10</sup>Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of God; <sup>11</sup>for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." <sup>12</sup>So each of us shall give account of himself to God.

*Response: Thanks be to God.*

## **MATTHEW 18:21-35**

*Response: Glory be to thee, O Lord.*

<sup>21</sup>Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" <sup>22</sup>Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven. <sup>23</sup>"Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup>When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; <sup>25</sup>and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. <sup>26</sup>So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, "Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." <sup>27</sup>And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, "Pay what you owe." <sup>29</sup>So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." <sup>30</sup>He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. <sup>32</sup>Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; <sup>33</sup>and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?" <sup>34</sup>And in anger his lord delivered him to the jailers, till he should pay all his debt. <sup>35</sup>So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

*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.*

495 *Second Tune*

S. M.

DENNIS

*Calmly*Adapted by LOWELL MASON, 1845  
from JOHANN GEORG NAEGELI

1 Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Je - sus' love: The  
 2 Be - fore our Fa - ther's throne We pour u - ni - ted prayers; Our  
 3 We share our mu - tual woes, Our mu - tual bur - dens bear; And

fel - low - ship of Chris - tian minds Is like to that a - bove.  
 fears, our hopes, our aims are one; Our com - forts and our cares.  
 of - ten for each oth - er flows The sym - pa - thi - zing tear.

- 4 When we at death must part,      5 From sorrow, toil, and pain,  
     Not like the world's, our pain;      And sin, we shall be free;  
 But one in Christ, and one in heart,      And perfect love and friendship reign  
     We part to meet again.      Throughout eternity.

JOHN FAWCETT, 1782, *alt.*

ST. OSWALD

JOHN B. DYKES, 1857, *alt.**In moderate time*

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, Pil-grim through this bar - ren land;  
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tains Whence the liv - ing wa - ters flow;  
 3 Feed me with the heav'n-ly man - na In this bar - ren wil - der - ness;  
 4 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, Bid my anx - ious fears sub - side;

I am weak, but thou art migh - ty; Hold me with thy power - ful hand.  
 Let the fier - y, cloud - y pil - lar Lead me all my jour - ney through.  
 Be my sword, and shield, and banner, Be the Lord my Right - eous - ness.  
 Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, Land me safe on Ca - naan's side. A - men.

WILLIAM WILLIAMS, 1745; *Tr.* PETER WILLIAMS, *alt.*

*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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