St. Francis Anglican Church

September 3, 2017

Holy Baptism

Processional Hymn: How sweet the name of Jesus sounds See page 7 for words and music

Acclamation

Celebrant: I will make you as a light for the nations.

People: That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Amen.*

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;
People: There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: One God and Father of all.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. *Amen*.

The Reading Romans 12: 9-21

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are. Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave room for the wrath of God; for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." No, "if your enemies are hungry, feed them; if they are thirsty, give them something to drink; for by doing this you will heap burning coals on their heads." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Reader: The Word of the Lord. People: Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn *I sing a song of the saints of God*

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Gospel Matthew 16: 21-28

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and undergo great suffering at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him, saying, "God forbid it, Lord! This must never happen to you." But he turned and said to Peter, "Get behind me, Satan! You are a stumbling block to me; for you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things." Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will

lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? "For the Son of Man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay everyone for what has been done. Truly I tell you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily Fr. Craig Lister

The Baptismal Exhortation

Dearly beloved, Scripture teaches that we were all dead in our sins and trespasses. Our Savior Jesus Christ said, "Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God," and he commissioned the Church to "make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." Therefore we will ask our heavenly Father that this candidate, being baptized with water, may be filled with the Holy Spirit, born again, and received as a living member of Christ's holy Church.

The Presentation

Celebrant: The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents: I present Garrett Rex Strohl to receive the Sacrament of Holy Baptism.

Celebrant: Today, on behalf of this child, you shall make vows to renounce the devil and all his works, to

trust God wholeheartedly, and to serve him faithfully. It is your task to see that this child is taught, as soon as he is able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. He must come to put his trust in Jesus, and learn the Creeds, the Lord's Prayer, the Ten Commandments, and all other things which a Christian ought to know, believe, and do for the welfare of his soul. When he has embraced all these, having become a disciple of Jesus, he is to come to the Bishop to be confirmed, that he may claim the Faith for his own and be further strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve Christ and his Kingdom.

Are you willing and ready to undertake this?

Parents and Godparents: I am, the Lord being my helper.

Profession of Faith

Ouestion: Do you renounce the Devil and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Ouestion: Do you renounce the empty promises and deadly deceits of this world which corrupt and

destroy the creatures of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Question: Do you renounce the sinful desires of the flesh that draw you from the love of God?

Answer: I renounce them.

Celebrant: Almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness and evil, and lead you into the light

and obedience of the kingdom of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Ouestion: Do you turn to Jesus Christ and confess him as your Lord and Savior?

Answer: I do.

Question: Do you joyfully receive the Christian Faith, as revealed in the Holy Scriptures of the Old and

New Testaments?

Answer: I do.

Question: Will you obediently keep God's holy will and commandments, and walk in them all the days

of your life?

Answer: I will, the Lord being my helper.

The celebrant then addresses the congregation, first inviting them to stand.

Celebrant: Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in

Christ?

People: We will.

Celebrant: Let us join with this candidate to proclaim our faith in the words of the ancient baptismal

confession, the Apostles' Creed.

Celebrant: Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

People: I do. I believe in God the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant: Do you believe and trust in Jesus Christ?

People: I do. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit

and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried: He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the

dead.

Celebrant: Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

People: I do. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the

forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers for the candidate

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting Father, in your great mercy you saved Noah and his family in the Ark from the destruction of the flood, prefiguring the sacrament of Holy Baptism. Look mercifully upon this your servant. Wash and sanctify him through your Holy Spirit, that he may be delivered from destruction and received into the Ark of Christ's Church; and being steadfast in faith, joyful through hope, and rooted in love, he may pass through the turbulent floods of this troublesome world and come into the land of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving Over the Water

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is just and right so to do.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John in the River Jordan when the Holy Spirit descended upon him as a dove. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now, Father, sanctify this water by the power of your Holy Spirit. May all who are baptized here be cleansed from sin, be born again, and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Baptism

The Celebrant continues: Name this Child.

Garrett Rex I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen*.

Garrett Rex, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever. *Amen.*

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, received him as your own child by adoption, made him a member of your Church, and raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit, that he may enjoy everlasting salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

The Celebrant continues: Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People: We receive you into the fellowship of the Church. Confess the faith of Christ

crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in the royal priesthood of

all his people.

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Announcements

Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye 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.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is just and right so to do.

The celebrant continues:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty. Through Jesus Christ our Lord: For he is your living Word from before time and for all ages; by him you created all things, and by him you make all things new. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

The Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full, full of Your glory, Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest.

Prayer of Consecration (the people may kneel)

Lord God our Father: When we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you sent your only Son into the world for our salvation; by the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. On the cross he offered himself once for all as our Redeemer, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. After he ascended to your right hand in glory, you sent your Holy Spirit, that we might become your holy people.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke 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."

After supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Now sanctify these gifts that they may become for us the Body and Blood of your Son, Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may be filled with your Holy Spirit and manifest your presence and power in the world.

Therefore, heavenly Father, as we joyfully proclaim our Lord's life, death, and resurrection, we offer ourselves, our souls, and bodies, as a living sacrifice. Grant that we who partake of this Holy Communion may receive the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him. At the last day bring us with all your saints into the fullness of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Lord's Prayer

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 forever and ever. *Amen*.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving (the people may kneel)

Heavenly Father, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ: and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom. And now Father, send us out into the world to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and forever. *Amen*.

Blessing

Closing Hymn O, Jesus I have promised

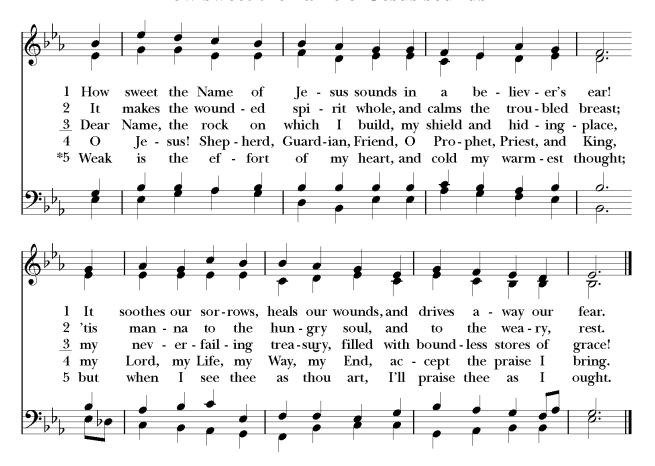
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Dismissal

Celebrant: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds



Words: John Newton (1725-1807), alt. Music: St. Peter, Alexander Robert Reinagle (1799-1877)

I sing a song of the saints of God



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O, Jesus I have promised



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St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

For the concerns weighing on the hearts and minds of members of this congregation:

Kate	Les Sadler	*Harriett Tice
Jack Beyer	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Harry White	Meredith Ferree
*Susan Dixon	Alice Buchanen	Sophia Johnson
Clarence Neal	Patricia Spaulding	Mary Perkins
William Danuck	Betty Beavers	*Jenny Gordon
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Reg	Todd Spofford	Doris Washburn
Mike Strickland	Karen Towson	Bob Weber
Sarah Curry	Mary Gillam	Mike Burns
•	Jack Mahaffey	

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If you need to add or remove a name from the prayer list please call Sue Comstock at 919-498-9154 or you can email her at suectrace@gmail.com. Names will be removed after three weeks unless you contact Sue to extend the time.

Pray for strength and divine guidance: Bruce, Mark, Oneida Mahaffey, Clifford Makanya and Jeff and Lisa Kopp.

Pray for those serving all over the world in our military: Matthew Pate, Ben Hodsdon, William Puckett, Katherine Campbell, Brian Gille, George Walter, Jim Makepeace, Rick Smith, Jody Gordon, Raymond DeSantos, Eliza, Greg and Jeremy.

Pray for the departed: Joseph Perry, Melissa Bracken, Isabel Liven, Madeline Johnson, Flora Palmer

Altar Flowers - The altar flowers are given by Edie Makepeace to the Glory of God and in memory of Jimmy Makepeace and their children Jim, Martha and John.

Those serving today:

Ushers: PJ Gay and Oliver Crawley

Chalice Bearers: Mark Mahaffey and Sue Comstock

Lector: Marie Hann

Acolytes: Hunter and Harris Wilkinson

Coffee Hour: Jean Dabbs
Music Director: Leslie Hanna
Organist: Rosemary Parten

Altar Guild: Terry Crawley, Emily Hewett, Susan Lewis and Linda Bruce

Vestry

Through 2018: Lew Andersen, Sr. Warden, Oliver Crawley, Jr. Warden, Gordy Reese, Clerk Through 2019: Ron Brown, Sue Comstock, Jean Dabbs Through 2020: Scott Bruce, Susan Lewis, Marty Pate

Announcements

Sunday School - All Sunday School classes will meet today. Juli Anne Lawrence and Stuart Smith will be teaching the teen class (now known as Jeremiah's Journeymen class). The adult class begins the study of "The Screwtape Letters" by CS Lewis.

St. Francis Prayer Team - Will not be meeting on Labor Day but will meet again on Monday, September 18, 2017 at 7:00 pm.

Hurricane Harvey fund - A fund has been set up for victims of Hurricane Harvey. Fr. Craig will give particulars.

Coffee Hour hosts - Many Sundays available.

Altar Flowers - Please contact Bob Bennetts at rrb23994@gmail.com at least 10 days before your designated Sunday with your desired bulletin memorial wording.



Acolyte Classes to be held on Saturdays,

September 16 and 23, 2017, 9:00 am

Open to veterans and new folks alike. Full training with demonstrations.



THREE WOMEN'S MINISTRY EVENTS FOR SEPTEMBER

1. A TRIP TO THE GEORGIA O'KEEFFE EXHIBIT, Thursday, September 14, at the Reynolda House Museum of Art in Winston Salem. After viewing the exhibit, we will enjoy lunch in a nearby restaurant. Meet in the church parking lot at 8:45 am to carpool to Winston Salem and return by 4:00 pm.

Tickets are \$21.12 per person. Please order your ticket directly, choosing the timed option of 10:30-12:30 on September 14. It's important to purchase tickets immediately because of the popularity of this exhibit. Follow this link to order: https://reynolda-house-museum-of-american-art.ticketleap.com/living-moder n/dates/Sep-14-2017 at 1030AM OR call (888) 663-1149 OR Google Reynolda House O'Keeffe exhibit.

Also, please sign up on the Women's Events bulletin board so that we can plan transportation.

- 2. LADIES' MOVIE EVENT: ""The Ultimate Life" (prequel to "The Ultimate Gift") at Helen Ward's home on Tuesday, September 26. Two showings, 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm. Seating limited to 10 per showing. Please sign up on the bulletin board.
- 3. "LOVE, LAUGHTER AND LADYSHIP" BREAKFAST AND BOAT RIDE, Saturday, September 30 beginning at 9:30 am at Brenda Brown's home in Carolina Trace. Boats graciously provided by Browns, Aylies and Haynes. More details to follow, but you can sign up now on the bulletin board.