St. Francis Anglican Church - Third Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2020

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Holy Eucharist

Processional Hymn: Shepherd of souls Words and music on page 7

Acclamation

Celebrant: Bless the Lord (+) who forgives all our sins.

People: His mercy endures forever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy Christ, have mercy; Christ, have mercy Lord, have mercy; Lord, have mercy Lord, have mercy, have mercy

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you: Look with compassion upon the heartfelt desires of your servants, and purify our disordered affections, that we may behold your eternal glory in the face of Christ Jesus; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever, *Amen*.

The First Reading Exodus 17:1-7

The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ² So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses replied, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the Lord to the test?" ³ But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?" ⁴ Then Moses cried out to the Lord, "What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵ The Lord answered Moses, "Go out in front of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶ I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink." So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷ And he called the place Massah and Meribah the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the Lord saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95 (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!
- 8 Harden not your hearts, as your forebears did in the wilderness, at Meribah, and on that day at Massah, when they tempted me.
- 9 They put me to the test, though they had seen my works.
- 10 Forty years long I detested that generation and said, "This people are wayward in their hearts; they do not know my ways."
- 11 So I swore in my wrath, "They shall not enter into my rest."

The Second Reading Romans 5:1-11

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. ⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰ For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

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

Sequence Hymn From the depths of woe I raise to thee (Psalm 130)

See page 8 for words

Gospel John 4:5-42

Celebrant: (+) The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

So Jesus came to a town in Samaria called Sychar, near the plot of ground Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶ Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired as he was from the journey, sat down by the well. It was about noon. ⁷ When a Samaritan woman came to draw water, Jesus said to her, "Will you give me a drink?" ⁸ (His disciples had gone into the town to buy food.) ⁹ The Samaritan woman said to him, "You are a Jew and I am a Samaritan woman. How can you ask me for a drink?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.) ¹⁰ Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that asks you for a drink, you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." ¹¹ "Sir," the woman said, "you have nothing to draw with and the well is deep. Where can you get this living water? ¹² Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did also his sons and his livestock?" ¹³ Jesus answered, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks the water I give them will never thirst. Indeed,

the water I give them will become in them a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵ The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and have to keep coming here to draw water." ¹⁶ He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back." ¹⁷ "I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. ¹⁸ The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true." ¹⁹ "Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. ²⁰ Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem." ²¹ "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³ Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴ God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth." ²⁵ The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us." ²⁶ Then Jesus declared, "I, the one speaking to you—I am he." ²⁷ Just then his disciples returned and were surprised to find him talking with a woman. But no one asked, "What do you want?" or "Why are you talking with her?" ²⁸ Then, leaving her water jar, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, ²⁹ "Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. Could this be the Messiah?" ³⁰ They came out of the town and made their way toward him. ³¹ Meanwhile his disciples urged him, "Rabbi, eat something." ³² But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you know nothing about." ³³ Then his disciples said to each other, "Could someone have brought him food?" ³⁴ "My food," said Jesus, "is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work. ³⁵ Don't you have a saying, 'It's still four months until harvest'? I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest. ³⁶ Even now the one who reaps draws a wage and harvests a crop for eternal life, so that the sower and the reaper may be glad together. ³⁷ Thus the saying 'One sows and another reaps' is true. ³⁸ I sent you to reap what you have not worked for. Others have done the hard work, and you have reaped the benefits of their labor." ³⁹ Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I ever did." ⁴⁰ So when the Samaritans came to him, they urged him to stay with them, and he staved two days. ⁴¹ And because of his words many more became believers. 42 They said to the woman, "We no longer believe just because of what you said; now we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this man really is the Savior of the world."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily Fr. Matthew Garrison

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. (+) We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor: Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Foley, Archbishop of the Anglican Church in North America, Steven and Quigg, our Bishops, and for all the clergy and people of our diocese, Christ Our Hope, and for our parish family at St. Francis.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.
People Hear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service.

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially _____].

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

For all those who departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection [especially____].

Intercessor: Lord, in your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

The Celebrant concludes with the following prayer

Heavenly Father grant these our prayers for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. *Amen*.

The Confession and Absolution of Sin (the people may kneel)

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen*.

The Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to 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. *Amen*.

The Peace

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

People: And with your spirit.

Announcements

Offertory

Celebrant and People: All things come of Thee, O Lord, and of Thine own have we given Thee.

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And with your spirit. Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The celebrant continues:

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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 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)

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become. subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, 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. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace. 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." Likewise, 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." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us (+) also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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*.

The Prayer of Humble Access (Celebrant and People together)

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table; but you are the same Lord, whose character is always to have mercy. Grant us, therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of your 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*.

Breaking of the Bread

Agnus Dei

Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us. Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us. Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world. Give us your peace, give us your peace.

Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving (the people may kneel)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

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 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 Come, thou fount of every blessing

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Dismissal

Shepherd of souls



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From the depths of woe I raise to thee (Psalm 130)

Verse 1

From depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation
Lord turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication
If Thou iniquities dost mark
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark
O who shall stand before Thee, O who shall stand before Thee

Verse 2

To wash away the crimson stain
Grace grace alone availeth
Our works alas are all in vain
In much the best life faileth
No man can glory in Thy sight
All must alike confess Thy might
And live alone by mercy, And live alone by mercy

Verse 3

Therefore my trust is in the Lord
And not in mine own merit
On Him my soul shall rest
His word upholds my fainting spirit
His promised mercy is my fort
My comfort and my sweet support
I wait for it with patience, I wait for it with patience

Verse 4

What though I wait the live-long night
And till the dawn appeareth
My heart still trusteth in His might
It doubteth not nor feareth
Do thus O ye of Israel's seed
Ye of the Spirit born indeed
And wait till God appeareth, And wait till God appeareth

Verse 5

Though great our sins and sore our woes

His grace much more aboundeth

His helping love no limit knows

Our utmost need it soundeth

Our shepherd good and true is He

Who will at last our Israel free

For all their sin and sorrow, For all their sin and sorrow

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Come, thou fount of every blessing



Announcements

Thanks to – Brenda Brown and Helen Ward for hosting coffee hour today.

Sunday School - All classes will meet today.

Slide Show - Check out Bob Nelson's slide show during coffee hour.

Prayer Opportunities - Use the red boxes located at the exits.

Choir Practice - Choir practice today at 4:00 pm.

Lenten Soup Pot

Prayer Team - The prayer team will meet Monday, March 16, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Holy Eucharist - Wednesday, March 18, 2020 at 11:30 am.

Lenten Series - Wednesdays March 18th and 25th. Sign up now.

St. Anne's Prayer Guild - The St. Anne's Prayer Guild would like to update the prayer list for those serving in the military/armed forces. There are several people on this list about whom we know nothing. If you have had a name added to the list will you please contact Sue Comstock or Peggy Nelson to let us know if they are still serving and need to remain on the list. Thank you.

UNEXPECTED BEGINNINGS

A two-part series from the Lee County Enrichment Center Information you need to know when your spouse passes and you must manage alone

• Helpful as proactive planning for couples as well as for those who have lost a spouse

Tuesdays, March 24 & 31, 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM March 24

- Robert Gilleland, Sanford Law Group
- Don Borrillo, Social Security Administration
- Erica Vazquez, Branch Manager, BB&T
- Tim Wilson, BB&T Investments

March 31

- Susie Thomas Clerk of Court
- Linda Ward, CPA Ward & Foust CPA's PA
- Miller-Boles Funeral Home
- "Grief & Depression," Kenneth Stewart, First Health of the Carolinas

Open to the General Public at the LCG Enrichment Center, 1615 S. 3rd Street, Sanford Registration is required. Call (919) 776-0501 Ext. 2201.

Want to be a greeter? Attend greeter training on Saturday, March 21, 2020 at 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. See Scott Bruce for further details.





SPRING BOOK AND BRUNCH SATURDAY, APRIL 25, 10:00 am Emily Hewett's home 608 Valley Road, Sanford



Come for a leisurely brunch and discussion of our book selection, <u>Small Great Things</u> by **Jodi Picoult.** While parts of the book may be emotionally difficult to read, it raises powerful questions about race, privilege, prejudice, justice and compassion as we follow a highly skilled African American neonatal nurse whose actions are deemed criminal by a white supremacist. The book has the potential to open hearts to new understandings, and we hope that our shared time of discussion will do the same. Readily and inexpensively available (new or used) from Amazon or other sources if you'd like to go ahead and secure a copy and begin reading.

Please sign up if you'd like to attend. There is a second sign up sheet if you'd care to bring any of the brunch items listed, but not everyone needs to bring food.

From the Prayer Team

- This year will be momentous for our church family as we follow God's leading through our change in leadership. For that reason, we encourage everyone to pray with one accord through the coming season. Please keep your new, yellow prayer bookmark somewhere where you will be reminded to pray each day's intention along with the rest of the body of Christ at St. Francisperhaps at the breakfast table or with your devotional materials.
- We welcome anyone who feels called to join this ministry. If you
 are interested, speak to anyone who has on a red badge at church
 or simply "come and see" what the meetings are like.
- We are now meeting once a month, on the third Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.
- Please remember, if you would like face-to-face prayers for anything--big or small, for yourself or others--ask any of us with the red badges and we will gladly get "two or three gathered together" for confidential prayer following the service.

St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

John Wood	Candy Torgerson	Chase Serry
Martha Connolly	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Jo Maddox	*Karen Tatum
*Paul Dempster	Donna Norman	Joe Lawrence
*Ann Hodges	Brent Sloan	*Brian Haynes
Kris	Elijah	Tommy McDonald
Herb Lister	Claudia Key	Tom Daughtery
*Frances Granger	Ed McCoy	*Charles Wick
Mabel M.	Dwight Dueitt	Marjorie J
Lisa Anne Callis	Virginia Linkous	Linda McCaskle
James Cox	Robyn Milano	Dan Abernathy
*Ted Lawrence	Bob Clark	*Lew Andersen
*Isabel Lawrence	Sarah Barber	Danny Hoosier
	*Member of St. Francis	

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

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, Josh Pratt, Greg, Ben Gumpton, Jeremy, Lucas Rees, Daniel Hardin, Jared Oldham, Noah Gibson, Nick Stavlund, Jason Williams, Fortune Egbulefu, James Rozak, Logan Peterson, Levi Whiteman, Foster Knowles, Stephen and Patrick Hart.

Pray for the departed: Ellen Staton, Ken Williams, Mary Parish, Harriette Woodeson, Roy Lawrence, Helen Evans, Richard Falck, Betty Barber.

Those serving today:

Ushers: Jimmy Washburn and Oliver Crawley

Chalice Bearers: Bob and Peggy Nelson

Lectors: Juli Anne Lawrence and Marty Pate Acolytes: Jonathan and Cameron Hanna Coffee Hour: Brenda Brown and Helen Ward

Nursery: Katie Kerley
Music Director: Audrey Hanna
Organist: Rosemary Parten

Altar Guild: Terry Crawley, Linda Pate, Edie Makepeace and Jean Dabbs

Vestry

Through 2020: Scott Bruce, Susan Lewis, Clerk, Marty Pate, Senior Warden Through 2021: Bruce Ledford, Tom Reese, Jimmy Washburn, Junior Warden Through 2022: Oliver Crawley, Joe Hanna, Beth Puckett St Francis' Mailing Address: 1089 Wilkins Drive, Sanford, NC 27330 (910)-773-1155

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