St. Francis' Anglican Church - Sixth Sunday of Easter

May 6, 2018

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Holy Eucharist

Processional Hymn: All things bright and beautiful Words and music on page 7

Acclamation

Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is risen!

People: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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*.

Gloria in Excelsis

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. *Amen*.

Collect of the Day

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

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. *Amen*.

The First Reading Acts 10: 44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

Psalm 98 (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 With his right hand and his holy arm has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

- 4 He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 Sing to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn shout with joy before the King, the Lord.
- 8 Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9 Let the rivers clap their hands, and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

10 In righteousness shall he judge the world and the peoples with equity.

The Second Reading 1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

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

Sequence Hymn O Jesus, crowned with all renown

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Gospel John 15: 9-17

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Music for Worship *Come praise and glorify*

Kauflin and Chester

St. Francis' Singers

Homily Fr. Craig Lister

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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: by the power of the Holy

Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He 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, let us pray to the Lord. (*silence*)

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

For Foley, our Archbishop, and Steven, our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people of our diocese and congregation, let us pray to the Lord. (*silence*)

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, let us pray to the Lord. (*silence*)

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

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, let us pray to the Lord. (silence)

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

For our nation, for those in authority and for all in public service let us pray to the Lord. (silence)

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

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially _____], let us pray to the Lord. (silence)

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

For all those who departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection [especially____], in thanksgiving let us pray to the Lord. (*silence*)

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 have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen*.

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, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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.

Eucharistic Prayer (the people may kneel)

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: 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 for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and people

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [______ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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)

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Blessing

Closing Hymn Make me a channel of Your peace

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Dismissal

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

People: Thanks be to God.

All things bright and beautiful



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O Jesus, crowned with all renown



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Make me a channel of Your peace

(Prayer of St. Francis)

Make me a channel of Your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me bring Your love,
Where there is injury, Your pardon Lord,
And where there's doubt, true faith in You.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek, So much to be consoled, as to console. To be understood, as to understand, To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of Your peace.

Where there's despair in life let me bring hope,
Where there is darkness, only light,
And where there's sadness, ever joy.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek, So much to be consoled, as to console. To be understood, as to understand, To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of Your peace.

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,

In giving to all men that we receive,

And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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Announcements

Sunday School - All Sunday school classes will meet today right after coffee hour. (See green box below)

St. Francis' Youth Group - Meets today at 5:30 pm.

Music Meditation - Today at 8:45 am around the piano.

St. Francis' Choir Rehearsal - Today at 4:15 pm.

Nursery Care - Help is needed and yours would be most welcome. Please sign up.

St. Francis' Prayer Team - Meets on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

St. Francis' Men's Group - Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

COMING WOMEN'S EVENTS

MAY WOMEN'S MOVIE EVENT-"SAVING SARAH CAIN"

Tuesday, May 8, 1:30 and 6:30 showings

Helen Ward's home, 1521 Valley Road

The story of a self-involved big-city newspaper columnist who, at the funeral of her Amish sister, discovers that she is legal guardian of her five Amish nieces and nephews. She decides to bring them back to Portland but soon realizes the modern world has forced them to compromise who they are and that she has brought them to her home for the wrong reasons. In order to find her own redemption, she faces difficult decisions that will test both her and her love for these children. Sign up sheet on bulletin board.

STRAWBERRY PICKING

Berry picking has begun!! Actual picking dates vary with ripeness and weather. Sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. If you have signed up, watch for emails about picking dates and times. We meet in the St. Francis parking lot and share rides. (NOTE: Guys can come to pick, too!)



Adult Class (various) Meets upstairs Nursery (Katie Kerley) available 8:55-10:15

YOUTH CHOIR (LESLIE HANNA)
MEETS IN THE CHOIR ROOM

Elementary Class (Pam Kerley)
Meets after Youth Choir
in the nursery

All classes begin after coffee hour & end around 11:15/11:30

High School Class (Jimmy Washburn & Julianne Lawrence) Meets upstairs Middle School Class (Richard & Stuart Smith) Meets after Youth Choir in the upstairs classroom

St. Francis' Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

Jennifer	Megan Tatum	Ray Holland
Jack Beyer	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Jo Maddox	Charles Ingram
*Susan Dixon	Ricky Parker	John Blasius
Ken Brown	Patricia Spaulding	Murray Ingerham
Phil Maddox	Aiden Hague	Christy Aylies
Mary Gillam	Cynthia McNeil	Aaron Plourde
Charles Whaley	Doris Sharp	*Charles Wick
Donna Goodwin	Mary Lineberry	Ronda Hart
Jean Wilson	Cindy Reese	Joann Duke
David Dyson	*Leslie Hanna	Randy Rogers
Leslie Barrera	Don Butler	Mike Cochran

^{*}Member of St. Francis

If you need 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 strength and divine guidance: Aziz, Adam Sharp, Carter and Tim.

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 and Jason Williams.

Pray for the departed: Thomas Amelia, Richard Bill, Elizabeth Holton, Betty Jean Beckerman, John Escher, Frank Thompson.

Altar Flowers - The flowers on the altar are given by Mari Hann to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Charlie Hann Jr.

Those serving today:

Ushers: PJ Gay and Chuck Lewis
Chalice Bearers: Bob and Peggy Nelson
Lectors: Mari Hann and Linda Bruce
Acolytes: Harris and Hunter Wilkinson

Coffee Hour: Mari Hann, Edie Makepeace and Leslie Hanna

Music Director: Leslie Hanna Organist: Rosemary Parten

Altar Guild: Susan Lewis, Katherine Crumpton, Lisa Meadows and Judy

Tulloch.

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
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