

# St. Francis' Anglican Church - Third Sunday of Easter

April 15, 2018

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## Holy Baptism

**Processional Hymn:** *He is risen, he is risen*

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## Acclamation

*Celebrant:* Alleluia, Christ is risen!  
*People:* The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia!  
*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.  
*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.  
*People:* And with your spirit.  
*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

## Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

## The First Reading

Acts 3: 12-19

Peter addressed the people, "You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you. "And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out."

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

## Psalm 4 (to be read in unison led by the Crucifer)

Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; you set me free when I am hard-pressed; have mercy on me and hear my prayer. "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; how long will you worship dumb idols and run after false gods?" Know that the Lord does wonders for the faithful; when I call upon the Lord, he will hear me. Tremble, then, and do not sin; speak to your heart in silence upon your bed. Offer the appointed sacrifices and put your trust in the Lord. Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O Lord. You have put gladness in my heart, more than when grain and wine and oil increase. I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; for only you, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

## The Second Reading

1 John 3: 1-7

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Sequence Hymn** *Good Christians all, rejoice and sing*

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## Gospel

Luke 24: 36b-48

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

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Music for Worship** *Look at the world*

John Rutter

The Gille family

## Homily

Fr. Craig J. 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 *Lilah Marie Lister* to receive the holy sacrament.

*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 *she is* able to learn, the meaning of all these vows, and of the Faith that you will

profess as revealed in the Holy Scriptures. *She* must come to put *her* 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 *her* soul. When *she* has embraced all these, having become a disciple of Jesus, *she is* to come to the Bishop to be confirmed, that *she* may claim the Faith for *her* 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**

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

*Answer:* I renounce them.

*Question:* 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.*

*Question:* 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 *her* 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 *her* through your Holy Spirit, that *she* 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, *she* 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.

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

*Lilah Marie*, 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 *her* as your own *child* by adoption, made *her* a *member* of your Church, and raised *her* to the new life of grace. Sustain *her*, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit, that *she* 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.

## **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 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. 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 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**    *The strife is o'er, the battle done*

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### **Dismissal**

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

*People:*     Thanks be to God.

# He is risen, he is risen

1 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! Tell it out with  
 2 Come, ye sad and fear - ful - heart - ed, with glad smile and  
 \*3 Come, with high and ho - ly hymn - ing, hail our Lord's tri -  
 4 He is ris - en, he is ris - en! He hath o - pened

joy - ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris - on;  
 ra - diant brow! Death's long sha - dows have de - part - ed;  
 um - phant day; not one dark - some cloud is dim - ming  
 hea - ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris - on,

let the whole wide earth re - joice: death is con - quered,  
 Je - sus' woes are o - ver now, and the pas - sion  
 yon - der glo - rious morn - ing ray, break - ing o'er the  
 ris - en to a ho - lier state; and a bright - er

we are free, Christ has won the vic - to - ry.  
 that he bore— sin and pain can vex no more.  
 pur - ple east, sym - bol of our Eas - ter feast.  
 Eas - ter beam on our long - ing eyes shall stream.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: *Unser Herrscher*, Joachim Neander (1650-1680)

## Good Christians all, rejoice and sing

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the  
 \*2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of  
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that  
 4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -  
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:  
 2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:  
 3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:  
 4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:  
 5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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# The strife is o'er, the battle done

*Antiphon (at the beginning)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*Ped.*

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -  
 2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their  
 \*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es  
 4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from  
 5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph  
 2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly  
 3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our  
 4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his  
 5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!  
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

*Antiphon (at the end)*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*Ped.*

Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832-1909), alt.  
 Music: *Victory*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. and arr. William Henry Monk (1826-1889)

## 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.

**St. Francis' Prayer Team** - Will meet on April 16, 2018 at 7:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Holy Eucharist** - Will be celebrated Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at 11:30 am.

**Anglicanism Class** - Wednesday, April 18, 2018 at 6:30 pm.

### COMING WOMEN'S EVENTS

#### STRAWBERRY PICKING

Latest word from our berry-grower is that berries should be ready to pick in the next week! Actual picking dates vary with ripeness and weather. Sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Those who sign up will receive an email about picking dates and times. We meet in the St. Francis parking lot and share rides.

#### MAY WOMEN'S MOVIE EVENT—"WAR ROOM"

A mix of good acting, engaging storyline and humor, with a powerful message about changes possible when prayer becomes a priority. Tuesday, May 8, 1:30 and 6:30 showings. Helen Ward's home. Sign up sheet on bulletin board.



**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	*Patricia Aylies	Ray Holland
Jack Beyer	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Jo Maddox	* John McKenzie
*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	Larry Foster
Delores Danuck	Cindy Reese	Frank Thompson
David Dyson	*Leslie Hanna	Randy Rogers
Bernice Allen	Don Butler	Shawn

\*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:** Helen Ashorne, John Felix, James Overton, Evelyn Houghton, Susan Dowd.

**Altar Flowers** - The flowers on the altar are given by the Lawrence family to the Glory of God and in memory of W.W. (Bill) Lawrence.

**Those serving today:**

Ushers:	Oliver Crawley and Bill Oberkirsch
Chalice Bearers:	Dwight Edmonds and Amy Davis
Lectors:	Elizabeth Oberkirsch and Dana Garrett
Acolytes:	Lena Kerley and Kaleb Gordon
Coffee Hour:	Jean Dabbs
Music Director:	Leslie Hanna
Organist:	Rosemary Parten
Altar Guild:	Tammy Bennetts, Mari Hann, Carolyn Washburn and Beth Puckett

### 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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