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### Acclamation

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God, (+) the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

*People:* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and 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.*

### 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, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### The First Reading

Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel. And they presented themselves before God. <sup>2</sup> And Joshua said to all the people, "Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, 'Long ago, your fathers lived beyond the Euphrates, Terah, the father of Abraham and of Nahor; and they served other gods. <sup>3</sup> Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan, and made his offspring many. I gave him Isaac. <sup>14</sup> "Now therefore fear the Lord and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness. Put away the gods that your fathers served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. <sup>15</sup> And if it is evil in your eyes to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." <sup>16</sup> Then the people answered, "Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods, <sup>17</sup> for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our fathers up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight and preserved us in all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed. <sup>18</sup> And the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God." <sup>19</sup> But Joshua said to the people, "You are not able to serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. <sup>20</sup> If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he

will turn and do you harm and consume you, after having done you good.”<sup>21</sup> And the people said to Joshua, “No, but we will serve the Lord.”<sup>22</sup> Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.”<sup>23</sup> He said, “Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your heart to the Lord, the God of Israel.”<sup>24</sup> And the people said to Joshua, “The Lord our God we will serve, and his voice we will obey.”<sup>25</sup> So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and put in place statutes and rules for them at Shechem.

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* **Thanks be to God.**

## **Gospel**

Matthew 25:1-13

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

*People:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

“Then the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom.<sup>2</sup> Five of them were foolish, and five were wise.<sup>3</sup> For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them,<sup>4</sup> but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps.<sup>5</sup> As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept.<sup>6</sup> But at midnight there was a cry, ‘Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’<sup>7</sup> Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps.<sup>8</sup> And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’<sup>9</sup> But the wise answered, saying, ‘Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.’<sup>10</sup> And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut.<sup>11</sup> Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’<sup>12</sup> But he answered, ‘Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.’<sup>13</sup> Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Music for worship** *Great are You Lord*

Audrey Hanna

**Reflections**

Jonathan Hannah

**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, 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. 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.

*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 families at St. Francis and Emmanuel.

*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.*

## Peace

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

*People:* **And with your spirit.**

## Announcements

### A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. *Amen.*

## 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, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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, heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed (+) is he who comes in the Name of the Lord.**

**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.***

### **Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

*People:* **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### **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.***

### **Holy Communion *Agnus Dei***

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### **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 and Dismissal**

## **Agnus Dei**

Alleluia, Alleluia  
For the Lord God Almighty reigns  
Alleluia, Alleluia  
For the Lord God Almighty reigns  
Alleluia

You are Holy,  
Holy are You Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb  
You are holy,  
Holy are You Lord God Almighty  
Worthy is the Lamb, Worthy is the Lamb  
Amen

(REPEAT)

## Announcements

**Sunday School** - Study of the Books of 1 and 2 Kings continues today.

**ACNA 2019 Book of Common Prayer** – Led by Fr. Craig continues on Wednesday November 11 at 10:00 am. Sign-up sheet is available.

**Holy Eucharist** - Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 11:30 am.

**Food Pantry drop off** - Wednesday, November 11, 2020, 5:30 pm to 6:00 pm.

**Fall Clean-up Day** - Join us for our autumn clean-up day on Saturday, November 14, 2020! We have some trees that need attention and lots of leaves that need to go. Please plan to meet at the church parking lot at 9:00 am. In case of rain we will meet Saturday, November 21, 2020.



## The BreadBasket of Sanford

### **A Non-Profit Organization Dedicated to Feeding the Needy**

In 1989, a group of people—a mostly from St. Thomas Episcopal Church—started a program to feed lunch to hungry people in Lee County, no questions asked. The Breadbasket opened its doors in September 1990. In 1991, volunteers served, consisting of soup and sandwiches. Over the years we have evolved to serving a home-cooked meal, consisting of at least one meat, two vegetables, usually a salad, tea and dessert. Through generous donations from individuals, churches and businesses, an 1,800-square-foot building with industrial cooking equipment was opened on East Chisholm Street in 2002, where we now operate.

The Breadbasket operations are supervised by Susan Rosenthal, a contractor for the Breadbasket Board of Directors. She supervises over 300 volunteers who prepare and serve meals for the clients at the facility, pick up food donations from various grocery stores and restaurants around town, and sort incoming food and store it at The BreadBasket. Some food is shared with other agencies, including CUOC.

Pre-Covid19, meals were served in the dining room of The BreadBasket. With COVID19 we are serving 1,000-1,200 take-out meals per week. We now feed 40-45,000 meals per year. If you would be interested in volunteering or making a donation to The BreadBasket, please contact Susan at (919)774-3118.

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## St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

John Wood	Ron Perkinson	Jamey James Allen
Ken	*Mackenzie Stinson	*Betty Pittman
*Helen Frechette	Jo Maddox	*Karen Tatum
*Paul Dempster	Murray Ingraham	*Ken Jeffries
*Ann Hodges	*Robert Burkey	*Brian Haynes
Larry Foster	Karen Brown	Tommy McDonald
*Ted Lawrence	Faye Glennon	Dave Ward
*Pat Aylies	*Ashley Quinones	*Charlene Jeffries
*Lew Andersen	Sarah Barber (and her 3 babies)	*Edie Makepeace
Lisa Anne Callis	*Jessie Honeycutt	Georgia Kate Tatum
*DeDe McKenzie		*Isabel Lawrence
	*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](mailto: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, Alex Bogaski, Roger Buswell, Stephen and Patrick Hart.

**Pray for the departed** Marjorie Cox, Barbara Granger, Burke Matthew, Susie Rosser, Roy Rosser, Leta Frasier, Glenda Nelson, Dwight Dickson, Louise Hurst.

**Altar Flowers** - The altar flowers are given by Marty and Linda Pate to the Glory of God and in celebration of the November birthdays of our son Matthew and son-in-law Tyler Jordan..

**Those serving:**

	9:00 am service	11:00 am service
Greeters:	Matthew Kerley, Josiah Garrison	Sue Comstock
Ushers:	Matthew Kerley	Billy Parten
Lectors:	Kat Hardin	
Acolytes:	Gillian Garrison	
Cleaning:	Scott Bruce, Fernando Quinones	Amy Davis, Julie Tulloch
Music Director:	Audrey Hanna	
Organist:	Rosemary Parten	
Altar Guild:	Susan Lewis, Katherine Crumpton, Lisa Meadows, Judy Tulloch	

### Vestry

Through 2021: Bruce Ledford, Tom Reese, Jimmy Washburn - Senior Warden  
 Through 2022: Oliver Crawley – Junior Warden, Joe Hanna, Beth Puckett  
 Through 2023: Johnnie Gordon, Phillip Lloyd, Helen Ward  
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