

# St. Francis Anglican Parish

# Second to Last Sunday of Epiphany February 4, 2024 World Mission Sunday

Page numbers in the 2019 Book of Common Prayer are indicated in italics. Items in **bold** type are spoken or sung in unison. (†) indicates you may make the sign of the cross.

## Acclamation, p. 145

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

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

# The Collect for Purity, p. 124

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.** 

# The Summary of The Law, p. 124

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.

#### The Gloria in Excelsis, p. 125

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.

#### The Collect of The Day, p. 604

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And with your spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Almighty God, through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, you revealed the way of eternal life to every race and nation: Pour out this gift anew, that by the preaching of the Gospel your salvation may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. **Amen.** 

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Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

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

# **Psalm 86:8-13** *p. 381*

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.
All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord,

and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wondrous things;
you alone are God.

Teach me your way, O LORD,
that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.

I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.

For great is your steadfast love toward me;
you have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol.

Second Reading .......Revelation 7:9-17

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

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

## **Gospel Acclamation**

Refrain Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

Leader A holy day has dawned. Adore the Lord, you nations.

For today a light has come on the earth!

Refrain Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Music for Worship...... Let the Nations Be Glad, p. 11

Homily Fr. Matt Garrison

The Nicene Creed, p. 126

Let us confess our faith in the words of the 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.

**The Prayers of The People,** p. 128-29 (Prayer list is on the back of your bulletin.)

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "hear our prayer." For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

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

People Hear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith. Lord, in your mercy: **People** Hear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service [especially \_\_\_\_\_]. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who are in need of spiritual guidance and those in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity [especially \_\_\_\_\_List is on p. 16]. Lord, in your mercy:

People Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, [especially \_\_\_\_\_ (List is on p. 16.)] in thanksgiving let us pray. Lord, in your mercy:

**People** Hear our prayer.

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

**The Confession and Absolution of Sin,** p. 130 (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 or 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,** p. 131

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*.

# The Offertory, p. 131

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord,
People And of your own have we given you.

# The Great Thanksgiving (The Sursum Corda, p. 132)

CelebrantPeopleCelebrantThe Lord be with you.And with your spirit.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.

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, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light. 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, p. 132

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 is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

#### **Prayer Of Consecration**, p. 132

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, p. 134

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Fraction, p. 135

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

# The Prayer of Humble Access, p. 135

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.

Leader Are there any who have not yet received the Bread of Life and the Cup of

Salvation?

**People** Almost 1.5 billion Muslims have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

More than 1 billion Hindus have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

400 million Buddhists have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

300 million urban poor have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

250 million Deaf people have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

200 million tribal people have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

180 million Chinese have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

20 million Sikhs have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

Millions of Jews have never been invited to the Lord's Table.

7,200 unreached people groups have no church to invite them to the Lord's Table.

Leader Who will go share the Good News that the Banquet is prepared for everyone? **People** We will go, by our prayers, our offerings, our lives, we will go!

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Almighty God, eternal Father, we have sat at your feet, learned from your Word, and eaten from your table. We give you thanks and praise for accepting us into your family. Send us out with your blessing, to live and witness for you in the power of the Spirit, through Jesus Christ, the first born from the dead. Amen.

# The Blessing

The Dismissal, p. 138

# **Come Christians Join to Sing**

Come, Christians, join to sing;
Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King;
Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice,
Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice:
Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high:

Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky;

Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend,

To us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end:

Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again;
Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain;
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore;
Singing forevermore,
"Alleluia! Amen!"

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# **Let The Nations Be Glad**

Let the glory of the Lord forever be our joy.

May redemption be the theme of our song.

For by grace we have been saved, and by grace we shall proclaim

To the corners of the earth that Christ is come.

Let the nations be glad, let the people rejoice,
For salvation belongs to our God.
Let the whole earth be filled with the praises of the Lord,
For salvation belongs to our God.
Let the nations be glad!

Through the ages gone before, through the trial and the sword, Many saints and martyrs conquered, though they died. Still we, holding out the cross, crossing oceans, suffering loss, Shall endure all things to win the crown of life.

Let the nations be glad, let the people rejoice,
For salvation belongs to our God.
Let the whole earth be filled with the praises of the Lord,
For salvation belongs to our God.
Let the nations be glad!

As Your holy church goes forth in the Holy Spirit's power
With the glories of the gospel to exclaim,
Now we pray Your Kingdom come, and we pray Your will be done
For the honor and glory of Your name.

Let the nations be glad, let the people rejoice,
For salvation belongs to our God.
Let the whole earth be filled with the praises of the Lord,
For salvation belongs to our God.
Let the nations be glad!

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# **Revelation Song**

Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain;
Holy, holy is He.
Sing a new song to Him Who sits on Heaven's mercy seat.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty.

Who was and is and is to come;

With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings;

You are my everything and I will adore You.

Clothed in rainbows of living color;
Flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder;
Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be to You, the only wise King.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty.

Who was and is and is to come;

With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings;

You are my everything and I will adore You.

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder, at the mention of Your name; Jesus, Your name is power, breath and living water, Such a marvelous mystery.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty.

Who was and is and is to come;

With all creation I sing praise to the King of kings;

You are my everything and I will adore You.

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# **Blessed Assurance**



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# **Those Serving Today**

Intercessory Prayer	Marty Pate
Greeter	Trina Garrison
Ushers	Oliver Crawley & Chuck Lewis
Crucifer	Gillian Garrison
Book Bearer	John Bonner
Lectors	Phillip & Rhonda Lloyd
	Dana Garrett & Andy Krey
Nursery	Danielle Bass & Josiah Garrison
	The Garrisons
Godly Play	Pam Kerley & Linda Pate
Music Director	Audrey Hanna
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### **Announcements**

- **NEED PRAYER?** Fill out a beige card and drop it in a red box or see a prayer team member (folks at the back of the church with red badges) during communion.
- **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** meets in the adult Sunday School room with Brian Teeter, who is teaching a series on the general epistles (Hebrews through Revelation).
- ALTAR FLOWERS: The 2024 calendar is posted. Please sign up if you would like to provide altar flowers.
- **ST. FRANCIS SINGERS:** Practice today at 4:15pm.
- ST. FRANCIS' YOUTH GROUP: No meeting this week.
- **WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION:** Service will be at 11:30 a.m.
- **CUOC FOOD PANTRY:** Drop off Wednesday from 5:30-6:00 p.m. in the Emmanuel Room.
- **NEW CUOC SERVICE TEAM:** We are forming a new team to serve at CUOC (Christians United Outreach Center on Industrial Drive) one Monday a month to take in, sort through and shelve food donations. If you want to serve the hungry in our community, but the Friday morning BreadBasket commitment does not fit your schedule, please sign up. The time commitment will be 9:00-11:30 a.m.

# **Mark Your Calendars**

- **Free Chess Lessons:** Tuesday evenings, February 6th-27th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. upstairs in the multipurpose room. Ages 10-adult.
- Next Man Up! Saturday, February 10 at 8:00 a.m. in the Emmanuel Room.
- Valentine's Tea: Saturday, February 10, 4:00 p.m. at the Reeses' (703 Stuart Drive). Sign up on the bulletin board. Don't have a mother or daughter in town? Adopt another church member and come along.
- AHG Spaghetti Dinner & Silent Auction Fundraiser: Saturday, February 10, 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Emmanuel Room. Adults, \$10; Children, \$5.
- Men's Group: Oyster Roast Monday, February 12, 6:00 p.m. at the Kerleys' (427 Hawk Road). \$20 per person for all-you-can-eat oysters.
- Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper's Return Delayed! Many of us were looking forward to the return of the Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper. Unfortunately, as we looked at the schedule surrounding February 13, we realized that we had seven major church events scheduled for the three days before and the day after—not including Valentine's Day! Next year, the week of Shrove Tuesday will be much quieter. We look forward to doing it then.

# **Bible Studies**

- Tuesday Evening Bible Study: The Gospel and Letters of the Disciple John will meet February 13 for a light dinner at 6:30 p.m. followed by the program at 7:00 p.m. in the Emmanuel Room. Bring a Bible. This will be the last meeting until after Easter.
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study meets 10:00-11:15 a.m. in the Adult Sunday School room and is based on John Stott's book, *Acts: Seeing the Spirit at Work*.
- Wednesday Evening Young Adult Women's Bible Study meets at 7:00 p.m. at the Basses' home, 107
   Oak Branch Lane, Sanford. Note new location.

# St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

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Sue Bailey	Charlotte Hill	Sandra Norris
Ian Bristow	Jimmy Holt	Gene Pass
Ellen Carpenter	Sam Holt	Edwin Patterson
R. D. Carson	Joey	Greg Poe
Bill Carver	Chris Johnson	Bill Ray
Hailley Chapman	Kelly Keller	Stephanie Sellars
Daniel Coley	Michael Keller	Shane Sharpe
Phil Cunningham	Scott Keller	Becky Smith
Cynthia	Chuck Kelly	Karen Smith
*Georgette Dempster	Nancy Kennedy	*Mackenzie Stinson
*Paul Dempster	John Krey	Steve Suitt
*Mary Ann Dusenbury	Charline Kugler	Marcia Swanson
*Helen Frechette	Michelle Leonhardt	Charley Swing
Gerald Galloway	Clinton Ledford	Jimmy Tart
*Joe Hanna	Lois	Lisa Thomas
Jeff Hartman	Cathy McCoy	Tim & Debra
Lee Hawley	Bill McGoogan	Lynn Warren
Joey Hayes	Gail Mashburn	Cindy White
Alex Haynes	Anne Matthews	*Charles Wick
*Brian Haynes	Lucille Mitchell	Ariana Williams
Dorothy Headen	Clay Moore	Amy & Gina Wood

#### \*Member of St. Francis

To add or remove a name from the prayer list, contact Peggy Nelson or Gordy Reese.

Unless we hear that they need to remain on the list, we will remove names after three weeks, but you may always contact Peggy (phnelson149@gmail.com) or Gordy (greese.sfap@gmail.com) to extend the time.

**Pray for those serving in our military all over the world:** Corbin Andrews, Alex Bogaski, Roger Buswell, Fortune Egbulefu, Eliza, Ellis, Evan, Katherine Gladd, Noah Gibson, Dan Hardin, Garrett Hill, Ben Hodsdon, Shane Lawrence, Jim Makepeace, Matthew Pate, William Puckett, Lucas Rees, Devan Siler, Nick Stavlund, Dan Steiner, Mac Swingle, Trevor, Jason Williams

**Prayers for the departed:** W. T. Banner, Harry Frazier, Larry Gibson, Frances Granger, Jeane Nelson, Mary Quinn, Harriet Sherwin

**Altar Flowers** are given by Dianna Andrews to the glory of God and in honor of the Holy Baptism of her grandson, Raylan Andrews.