



St. Francis Anglican Parish

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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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.**

The 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.**

The Summary of The Law

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

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And with your spirit.**
Officiant Let us pray.

O merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

“Woe to those who are at ease in Zion, and to those who feel secure on the mountain of Samaria, the notable men of the first of the nations, to whom the house of Israel comes! Pass over to Calneh, and see, and from there go to Hamath the great; then go down to Gath of the Philistines. Are you better than these kingdoms? Or is their territory greater than your territory, O you who put far away the day of disaster and bring near the seat of violence? “Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory and stretch themselves out on their couches, and eat lambs from the flock and calves from the midst of the stall, who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp and like David invent for themselves instruments of music, who drink wine in bowls and anoint themselves with the finest oils, but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph! Therefore they shall now be the first of those who go into exile, and the revelry of those who stretch themselves out shall pass away.”

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

Psalm 146

Praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD, O my soul!
I will praise the LORD as long as I live;
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
Put not your trust in princes,
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.
When his breath departs, he returns to the earth;
on that very day his plans perish.
Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,
whose hope is in the LORD his God,
who made heaven and earth,
the sea, and all that is in them,
who keeps faith forever;
who executes justice for the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry.
The LORD sets the prisoners free;
the LORD opens the eyes of the blind.
The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;
the LORD loves the righteous.
The LORD watches over the sojourners;
he upholds the widow and the fatherless,
but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

**The LORD will reign forever,
your God, O Zion, to all generations.
Praise the LORD!**

Second Reading.....1 Timothy 6:11-19

But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

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

Gospel Acclamation

Refrain **Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!**
Leader Speak, Lord, your servant is listening. Speak your words of wisdom, for the words you speak are everlasting life.
Refrain **Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!**

Gospel Luke 16:19-31

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table. Moreover, even the

dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried, and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

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

Hymn.....*Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery, p. 12*

Homily.....**Fr. Matthew Garrison**

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, the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of The People

Prayer lists are found on page 16.

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.

Intercessor 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 families at St. Francis and Emmanuel Congregational Christian Church.

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 [especially_____].

Intercessor 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_____].

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy:

***People* Hear our prayer.**

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, [especially_____] in thanksgiving let us pray.

Intercessor Lord, in your mercy:

***People* Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant 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 (*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

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 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, 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Fraction

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

The Prayer of Humble Access

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 *My Worth Is Not in What I Own, p. 13*

The Post Communion Prayer

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.

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn.....*Crown Him with Many Crowns, p. 14*

The Dismissal

Creation Sings the Father's Song

Creation sings the Father's song;
He calls the sun to wake the dawn
And run the course of day,
Till evening falls in crimson rays.
His fingerprints in flakes of snow;
His breath upon this spinning globe;
He charts the eagle's flight,
Commands the newborn baby's cry.

Hallelujah!

Let all creation stand and sing:

“Hallelujah!”

**Fill the earth with songs of worship,
Tell the wonders of creation's King.**

Creation gazed upon His face;
The ageless One in time's embrace,
Unveiled the Father's plan
Of reconciling God and man.
A second Adam walked the earth,
Whose blameless life would break the curse,
Whose death would set us free
To live with Him eternally.

Hallelujah!

Let all creation stand and sing:

“Hallelujah!”

**Fill the earth with songs of worship,
Tell the wonders of creation's King.**

Creation longs for His return,
When Christ shall reign upon the earth;
The bitter wars that rage
Are birth pains of a coming age.
When He renews the land and sky,
All heaven will sing and earth reply
With one resplendent theme:
The glory of our God and King

Hallelujah!

Let all creation stand and sing:

“Hallelujah!”

**Fill the earth with songs of worship,
Tell the wonders of creation's King. (REPEAT)**

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery:

In the dawning of the King.
He the theme of heaven's praises
Robed in frail humanity.
In our longing in our darkness,
Now, the light of life has come.
Look to Christ who condescended,
Took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery:

He the perfect Son of Man.
In His living in His suffering,
Never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hell-bound man.
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in Him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery:

Christ the Lord upon the tree.
In the stead of ruined sinners,
Hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption,
See the Father's plan unfold:
Bringing many sons to glory,
Grace unmeasured love untold.

Come behold the wondrous mystery:

**Slain by death the God of life,
But no grave could e'er restrain Him,
Praise the Lord He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance,
How unwavering our hope!
Christ in power resurrected,
As we will be when He comes.**

My Worth Is Not in What I Own (At the Cross)

My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest treasure Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him no other
My soul is satisfied in Him alone

As summer flowers we fade and die
Fame youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us at the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed my ransom paid at the cross

Crown him with many crowns

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown him the Son of God
before the worlds began,
and ye, who tread where he hath trod,
crown him the Son of man;
who every grief hath known
that wrings the human breast,
and takes and bears them for his own,
that all in him may rest.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing
who died, and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of heaven,
enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King, to whom is given
the wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns,
as thrones before him fall,
crown him, ye kings, with many crowns,
for he is King of all.

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Announcements

- **May we pray for you?** Fill out a beige card and drop it in a red prayer box or see a prayer team member (with red badge) standing at the back during communion.
- **Midweek Service of Holy Communion** is Wednesday at 11:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.
- **CUOC Food Pantry Drop Off** is Wednesday from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m.
- **New: Hands for Him** will create art works for people who are in need of prayer. Please contact Leslie Hanna at (919)478-6274 or lmhannamom5@gmail.com to volunteer. Thanks!!
- **Holy Land Trip Informational Meeting** If you are considering making this trip, learn more about it tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Blessing of the Animals** Saturday, October 1, 10:00 a.m. in the church parking lot
- **Stevens Center Fundraiser:** Panic at the Disco, October 1. Stevenscenter.org for info.
- **Parish Picnic** Sunday, October 2 at 12:15 p.m. at the Kerleys' (427 Hawk Rd).
- **Women of St. Francis:** Sign up for our trip to the Sandhills Horticultural Garden Tour and brunch at The Market Place on October 6 and our Book and Brunch on October 29. Books will be available in the office. Sign up today!

Those serving today

Intercessory Prayer	Jerry Davis & Beth Puckett
Greeter	Gary Jackson
Ushers	Ron Hewett & Jimmy Washburn
Crucifer	Matthew Kerley
Book Bearer	Samuel Bonner
Lectors	Trina Garrison & Mari Hann
Chalice Bearers	Dianna Andrews & Andy Krey
Nursery.....	Emily Hewett & Gillian Garrison
Godly Play	Pam Kerley & Helen Ward
Coffee Hour Host.....	The Washburns
Music Director	Audrey Hanna
Organist	Rosemary Parten
Altar Guild	Tammy Bennetts, Team Coordinator Mari Hann, Beth Puckett, Carolyn Washburn

Vestry

Through 2023: Phillip Lloyd; Bill Oberkirsch; Helen Ward, *Jr. Warden*
Through 2024: Jean Dabbs; Mark Mahaffey, *Sr. Warden*; Sarah Womack
Through 2025: Alex Bogaski, Amy Davis, Leslie Hanna

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St. Francis Anglican Parish Prayer List

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

*Bishop Steve Breedlove	*Brian Haynes	Jack Sharpe
Ian Bristow	*Ann Hodges	Brent Sloan
Dakota Brown	Ken Jeffries	Eddie Stanley
Parker Byrd	*Bob Lawrence	*Sandra Stewart
Hailley Chapman	Michelle Leonhardt	*Mackenzie Stinson
Gay Colavito	Tommy McDonald	*Bob Stone
*Paul Dempster	Lynn McIver, III	Marcia Swanson
*Mary Ann Dusenbury	Brian Miller	Heath Tatum
*Mary Lee Dutton	*Shelley Nichols	Megan Tatum
*Dwight Edmonds	Ron O'Connor	Reg Thigpen
*Helen Frechette	Molly Margaret O'Quinn	*Charles Wick
*Frances Granger	Greg Poe	Heather Wicker
Alex Haynes	Mary Proctor	John Wood

***Member of St. Francis**

To add or remove a name from the prayer list, contact Peggy Nelson (919-774-8776 / phnelson149@gmail.com) or Gordy Reese (919-292-0031 / greese.sfap@gmail.com).

Names will be removed after three weeks, but you may always contact Peggy or Gordy to extend the time.

Pray for those serving in our military all over the world: Corbin Andrews, Alex Bogaski, Roger Buswell, Fortune Egbulefu, Katherine Gladd, Jody Gordon, Dan Hardin, Ben Hodsdon, Shane Lawrence, Jim Makepeace, Matthew Pate, William Puckett, Lucas Rees, James Rozak, Dalton Sims, Nick Stavlund, Dan Steiner, Mac Swingle, Jason Williams, Eliza, Ellis, Evan, Trevor

Pray for the departed: Myra Dickson, Sidney Rosser, Bill Staton, Mary Jane Willis

The altar flowers are given by Bob and Tammy Bennetts to the glory of God and in loving memory of Tammy's sister and Frances Granger's daughter, Trina Oldham.