

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

St. Francis Day

4 October 2020 ✕ 10:00 A.M.

Holy Eucharist

The Reverend Michael L. Delk, *Celebrant*
The Reverend Allison Caudill, *Preacher*

THE WORD OF GOD

Organ Voluntary **“St. Francis Suite: Earth Carol”** **Richard Purvis**

Praised be our God for our mother the Earth, the which doth sustain and keep us, and bringeth forth divers fruits and flowers of many colours, and green grass.

St. Francis of Assisi

The Opening Acclamation **Page 355**

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Kyrie: S-91

The Salutation & Collect of the Day **Page 357**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Most high, omnipotent, good Lord, grant your people grace to renounce gladly the vanities of this world; that, following the way of blessed Francis, we may for love of you delight in your whole creation with perfectness of joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 80:7-14

Anglican Chant

⁷ Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

⁸ You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and planted it.

⁹ You prepared the ground for it; *
it took root and filled the land.

¹⁰ The mountains were covered by its shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

¹¹ You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *
and its branches to the River.

¹² Why have you broken down its wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

¹³ The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

¹⁴ Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven; behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:33-46

The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

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

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

"Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'? Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

After the reading, the Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Said by all, standing

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.

The Prayers of the People, Form III

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Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, for Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Terry, our Bishop, for Michael, Allison, Anne, Art, and Jim, our clergy and for all bishops, priests, and deacons.
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for Donald our President, Andy our Governor, and Neil & Greg our Mayors, and all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed, especially Sam Miller, eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others, especially **Al, Amy, Angela, Ann, Annie, Bethann, Barry, Bill, Braxton, Bud, Charles, Christy, Dan, Dave, David, Diana, E.J., Elizabeth, Gene, Helga, Hugh, Ira, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Juan, Kailee, Kathy, Kelly, Ken, Lacey, Lachelle, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Mary, Matt, Monica, Nancy, Natalia, Natalie, Nina (Nine-ah), Pam, Patricia, Paul, Phil, Phyllis, Rob, Ronald, Stefanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trish, Ursula, Vicki, Virginia, Walt, Whitney, Wynn, Sam Miller's family;** for the men and women of our armed forces, especially **Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Steve.**

Silence

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Said by all

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 Absolution

The Peace

All stand. The celebrant says to the people

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem “All things bright and beautiful”

John Rutter

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer B

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

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.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here the Celebrant adds a Proper Preface

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Celebrant and People

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.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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 [St. Luke, _____ 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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 Anthem

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Organ Solo

“Hymn to the Moon”

Richard Purvis

Praised be our Lord for our sister the moon....which he has set clear and lovely in the heavens. St. Francis of Assisi

The Post-Communion Prayer

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All 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.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

“Ascription”

Richard Purvis

O most high, almighty, good Lord God, to Thee belong praise, glory, honour and all blessing.
St. Francis of Assisi



Hold Control and hover Left Mouse button
over green button to activate link.

Do you have questions about the Christian faith or the Episcopal Church? Join us next Sunday, at 11:15 AM for a Zoom meeting where you can share your questions.

To join the Zoom meeting, email our parish administrator, Dawn, at admin@stlukesanchorage.org

To see our video go to :

<https://www.facebook.com/StLukesAnchorage/videos/246044036847885>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Our Wednesday morning Bible study Zoom, starting at 9:45, will resume its study of the Resurrection, led by Father Michael. Please check your email for the invite.

Thursday Night Bible Study

The Basics of the Bible Study continues on Thursday evenings with Mother Allison! We are using The Path to guide our study, but all you need is a Bible and access to the internet to join us. We are gathering every Thursday evening from 6:45-7:45 on Zoom to discuss the foundational stories of our faith and to explore how these stories connect to our own journeys. Please follow this link on Thursdays at 6:45 to join us!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/284582639?pwd=bUZFYjRhdlhUDNmck9sb0VYa1Budz09>

Meeting ID: 284-582-639

If prompted to enter a password, please enter our parish office phone number - 2458827

Bishops – Sunday 9am Class

Please join us Sunday mornings for "Know Your Bishops." Our discussion group will be talking about prominent and history significant Episcopalian and Anglican Bishops.

For more information, email Dave Kirchinger at episcopaliandave@gmail.com.

The link to the class is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86908725675> / Meeting ID: **869 0872 5675**

Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer is TWICE a month, every 2nd and 4th Tuesday. Join us on **October 13th and 27th from 6 – 7pm** on ZOOM until we can all join back in the Lyman Office.

Link to Centering Prayer Group:

<https://zoom.us/j/662061797?pwd=RVhkL2FWY3NEc2O4UHQweVovK3R5Zz09>

Meeting ID: 662-061-797

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

If you've had a birthday or anniversary over the past several weeks, or have one coming up in the weeks ahead, please let Dawn know, admin@stlukesanchorage.org. Let her know your birthday, or the date of your wedding anniversary and how many years you've been married, and we will offer a blessing over you during our recorded worship.

The Flowers on the Altar are given by Brooks & Calvin Riley Pinney in loving memory of his mother, Dorothy Moremen Pinney.

In our prayers ... Al, Amy, Angela, Ann, Annie, Bethann, Barry, Bill, Braxton, Bud, Charles, Christy, Dan, Dave, David, Diana, E.J., Elizabeth, Gene, Helga, Hugh, Ira, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Juan, Kailee, Kathy, Kelly, Ken, Lacey, Lachelle, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Mary, Matt, Monica, Nancy, Natalia, Natalie, Nina (Nine-ah), Pam, Patricia, Paul, Phil, Phyllis, Rob, Ronald, Stefanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trish, Ursula, Vicki, Virginia, Walt, Whitney, Wynn, Sam Miller's family; and our men and women serving in our armed forces and their families. We offer prayers of blessing and thanksgiving for all men and women serving in the armed services, especially these persons known to us: **Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Steve.** We pray that they have safe journeys and know the loving concern of friends and family. May God watch over them and grant them strength and courage to face perils which beset them.

Readings for:

**Readings for October 11: Isaiah 25:1-9; Psalm 23;
Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14.**