



ST. FRANCIS
EPISCOPAL
CHURCH

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Sunday Worship

January 12, 2014 – 10:00 AM

First Sunday after the Epiphany

The Word of God

Welcome & Quiet Time (↑ indicates when to stand) Welcome to worship today. We're glad you've come to glorify God with us. We invite you to take part in everything today. Follow the singing with the words in this bulletin. Come to the Table for communion. You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

Prelude

Call to Worship

↑ **Gathering Song #1: All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name**

All hail the power of Jesus' Name, let angels prostrate fall, Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem and crown Him Lord of all!

Hail Him, the Heir of David's line, whom David Lord did call, The God incarnate, Man divine and crown Him Lord of all! The God incarnate, Man divine and crown Him Lord of all!

Jesus, King of the nations, Jesus, Lord of all, Jesus, King of the nations, Lord of all.

Ye heirs of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall, Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all! Hail Him who saves you by His grace, and crown Him Lord of all!

Jesus, King of the nations, Jesus, Lord of all, Jesus, King of the nations, Lord of all. Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball, To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all! To Him all majesty ascribe, and crown Him Lord of all!

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

All: And blessed be His kingdom now and forever. Amen.

Priest: 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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

↑ **Gathering Song #2: Come Let Us Worship And Bow Down**

Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker. Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord, our God, our Maker.

For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand, just the sheep of His hand.

↑*All:* Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

(Please be seated) **A Reading from Acts**

(10:34-43)

Then Peter began to speak to them: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

↑**Gradual Song: Wade In The Water**

(Chorus) Wade in the water. Wade in the water, children, wade in the water. God's agonna trouble the water.

See that host all dressed in white? God's agonna trouble the water. The leader looks like the Israelite, God's agonna trouble the water. *(Chorus)*

See that band all dressed in red? God's agonna trouble the water. Looks like the band that Moses led, God's agonna trouble the water. *(Chorus)*

Look over yonder, what do I see? God's agonna trouble the water. The Holy Ghost acoming on me, God's agonna trouble the water. *(Chorus)*

If you don't believe I've been redeemed, God's agonna trouble the water. Just follow me down to Jordan's stream, God's agonna trouble the water. *(Chorus)*

↑**The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew**

(3:13-17)

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Message (please be seated)

↑Leader: Let us stand and profess our faith using the words of the Nicene Creed.

All: 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.

↑ Prayers of the People: Form VI

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. For all people in their daily life and work;

All: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader: For this community, the nation, and the world;

All: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Leader: For all who serve in our country's military. Defend and strengthen them with courage to deal with the perils they face.

All: For all veterans who helped keep our country free.

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

All: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

All: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

All: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Leader: For Kathryn, our Presiding Bishop, and Shannon, Susan and Ted, our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers; for all who serve God in his Church; for the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *[Please feel free to add your own petitions either silently or aloud.]* Hear us, Lord;

All: For your mercy is great.

Leader: For the Manakin-Sabot Cosmetic and Family Dentistry, Dr. Sarah Wilmer, owner, that patients would have increased health through the treatment received in this practice.

All: That all in our community would live in good health.

Leader: That You would show us where You are already working in the lives of children in the surrounding area and how we can join in with Your work.

All: That all of Your children would come to You.

Leader: For the Congregations and clergy of St. Stephen's, Catlett; Grace, Casanova; Christ Church, Luray; Olivet, Franconia; and St. Christopher's, Springfield.

All: **That your church would always walk in the power of Your Spirit.**

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *[Please feel free to add your own thanksgivings.]* We will exalt you, O God our King;

All: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. *[Please feel free to add your own petitions either silently or aloud.]* Lord, let your loving kindness be upon them;

All: **Who put their trust in You.**

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

All: **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Priest: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon us, pardon and deliver us from all our sins, confirm and strengthen us in all goodness, and bring us to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

↑Exchange of Peace

Priest: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Holy Communion

Offertory

↑ **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.**

↑Eucharistic Prayer from A New Zealand Prayer Book, 1989 (adapted)

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Priest: Lift your hearts to heaven.

People: **Where Christ in glory reigns.**

Priest: Let us give thanks to God.

People: **It is right to offer thanks and praise.**

Priest: It is the joy of our salvation God of the universe, to give you thanks through Jesus Christ. You said, 'Let there be light'; there was light. Your light shines on in our darkness. For you the earth has brought forth life in all its forms.

You have created us to hear your Word, to do your will, and to be fulfilled in your love. It is right to thank you. You sent your Son to be for us the way we need to follow and the truth we need to know. You send your Holy

Spirit to strengthen and to guide, to warn and to revive your Church. Therefore, with all your witnesses who surround us on every side, countless as heaven's stars, we praise you for our creation and our calling, with loving and with joyful hearts:

All (Sung): Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart, I want to see You, I want to see You; Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart, I want to see You, I want to see You. To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory; Pour out Your power and love as we sing, "Holy, holy, holy."

Holy Holy Holy, Holy Holy Holy, Holy Holy Holy I want to see You (2x)

Priest: Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son, who washed his disciples' feet. 'I am among you,' he said, 'as one who serves.' On that night before he died he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me." After supper, he took the cup, and gave you thanks. He gave it to them and said: "Drink this. It is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you, shed for all, to forgive sin; do this to remember me." Therefore with this bread and wine we recall your goodness to us:

People: God of the past and present, we your people remember your Son. We thank you for his cross and rising again, we take courage from his ascension; we look for his coming in glory and in him we give ourselves to you.

Priest: Send your Holy Spirit, that we who receive Christ's body may indeed be the body of Christ, and we who share his cup draw strength from the one true vine.

People: Called to follow Christ, help us to reconcile and unite. For you, the heavenly one, make all things new; you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first. Praise, glory and love be yours this and every day from us and all people here and everywhere. Amen.

Priest: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,

All: 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 priest breaks the consecrated bread and says:

Priest: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Priest: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

[NOTE: All are welcome to receive Communion, whatever your faith tradition. Please receive the bread in the open palm of your hand. Then, either consume the bread and move to a chalice and receive from the chalice by guiding the base of the chalice to your mouth or take the chalice from the chalice minister. Or, you may intinct or dip the bread into the chalice and consume it. The glass chalice contains non-alcoholic wine for those who do not wish to consume alcohol for any reason. If you do not wish to receive communion but would like a blessing, please come forward with your arms crossed over your chest.]

Communion Song: Worthy is the Lamb

Thank You for the cross, Lord; Thank You for the price You paid; Bearing all my sin and shame, in love You came, and gave amazing grace; Thank You for this love, Lord; Thank You for the nail pierced hands; Washed me in Your cleansing flow, now all I know Your forgiveness and embrace.

(Chorus:) Worthy is the Lamb, seated on the throne; Crown You now with many crowns, You reign victorious; High and lifted up, Jesus, Son of God, the Darling of heaven crucified; Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.

↑**Post-Communion Prayer (All):** Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.

↑Blessing

↑**Song of Dismissal: Your Grace Is Enough**

Great is Your faithfulness O God. You wrestle with the sinner's heart. You lead us by still waters into mercy. And nothing can keep us apart.

So remember Your people. Remember Your children. Remember Your promise O God. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough for me.

Great is Your love and justice God. You use the weak to lead the strong. You lead us in the song of Your salvation. And all Your people sing along.

So remember Your people. Remember Your children. Remember Your promise O God. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough. Your grace is enough for me.

Your grace is enough. Heaven reaches out to us. Your grace is enough for me. Your grace is enough. I'm covered in Your love. Your grace is enough for me.

↑Announcements, Prayer Requests, and Dismissal

Priest: Alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Remember in your prayers:

Neale Dickinson
Christian Families in Pakistan
Anna Hawk
Chuck Haack
Jane, Brian, and Andrew Hahn
Jill

Helen
Simon Bauers
Michelle Lambert
Sonny B.
Kathy S.
Clay

Arielle Niemeyer
Ernie Leasure
Amanda
Chris Keller
Allie W.

Make yourself comfortable!

Welcome to worship today. We're glad you've come to glorify God with the people of St. Francis Church.

There is no "one right way" to participate. Join in as much as you want.

If you wish to sing, all our music is included in the bulletin. We have a lively contemporary band and music is a significant part of our worship experience. However, we recognize that visitors may not know the music. If you and your family are among these, we encourage you to hum along or simply sit back and enjoy the sound.

Filling out a name tag and placing it on your person will permit us all to greet each other by name while visiting here at St. Francis. Likewise, signing our guest roster will permit us to follow-up with you following this Sunday's worship.

If you are a guest today, don't feel obligated to make a financial contribution to the offering.

Rest rooms are located in the entrance Narthex and in the mobile office/classroom building adjacent to the worship hall.

"We are a welcoming community seeking to share God's unconditional love with all."

Your Vestry Members are:

Senior Warden: Jack Martin
Other Members: Peter LeViness
Richard Walker

Junior Warden: Bill Weatherford
Larry Kidd

Register: Marian Elam

Treasurer: Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalciers. If you have a problem with the dates on this schedule, please let Larry Kidd know as soon as possible and he will try to make adjustments. Otherwise, you will need to find a substitute if you are unable to be at church on your assigned date.

<u>Worship Service Date</u>	<u>Scripture Reader</u>	<u>Prayer Reader</u>	<u>Chalciers</u>	<u>Greeters/Ushers</u>
12-Jan	Jack Martin	Kathy Gammon	Jack Martin, Kathy Gammon	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
19-Jan	Larry Kidd	MJ Weatherford	Susan Kidd, MJ Weatherford	Paul and Ann James, Larry Kidd
26-Jan	Bill Weatherford	Missy Rand	Bill Weatherford, Ann James	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
2-Feb	Richard Walker	Kathy Gammon	Richard Walker, Kathy Gammon	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd

~Announcements~

Upcoming Important Dates:

Friday, January 17	Kindred Spirits	St. Francis	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, January 19	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Sunday, February 9	Communion Service/Congregational Meeting Followed by Pot Luck Lunch	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, February 12	Vestry Meeting	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.

Financial Update - If you have any questions about any of this data, please don't hesitate to ask your treasurer, Susan Kidd.

2013	Operating Funds		Net Gain
	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>or (Loss)</u>
1st Quarter	\$24,463.00	\$20,486.48	\$3,976.52
2nd Quarter	\$21,422.00	\$21,276.96	\$145.04
3rd Quarter	\$20,693.00	\$22,431.50	(\$1,738.50)
4th Quarter	<u>\$21,165.00</u>	<u>\$23,289.31</u>	<u>(\$2,124.31)</u>
2012 Year-To-Date	\$87,743.00	\$87,454.25	\$288.75
Checking Account Balance	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
YTD 2013	\$32,627.98	\$32,916.73	\$288.75
2014			
January	\$700.00	\$719.10	(\$19.10)
February	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
March			<u>\$0.00</u>
1st Quarter	\$700.00	\$719.10	(\$19.10)
2013 Year-To-Date	\$700.00	\$719.10	(\$19.10)
Checking Account Balance	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
YTD 2013	\$32,916.73	\$32,897.63	(\$19.10)

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