

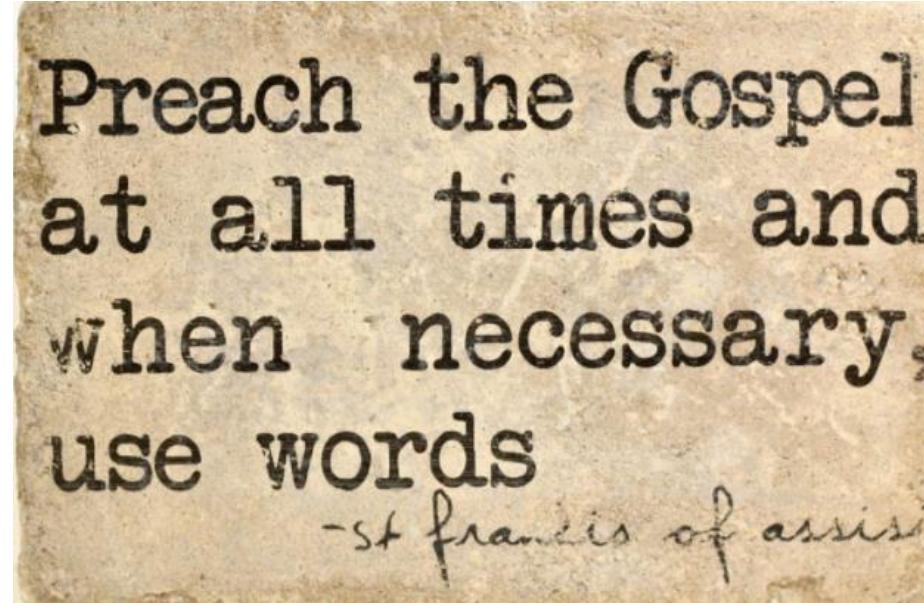
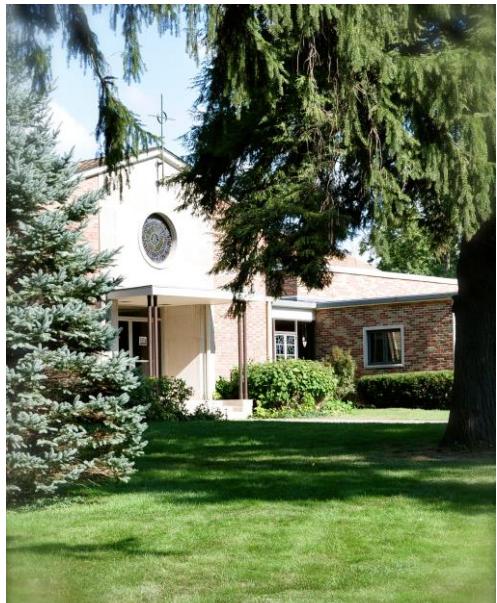
# St. Mary's Episcopal Church Welcomes You

## Morning Prayer Will Begin Momentarily

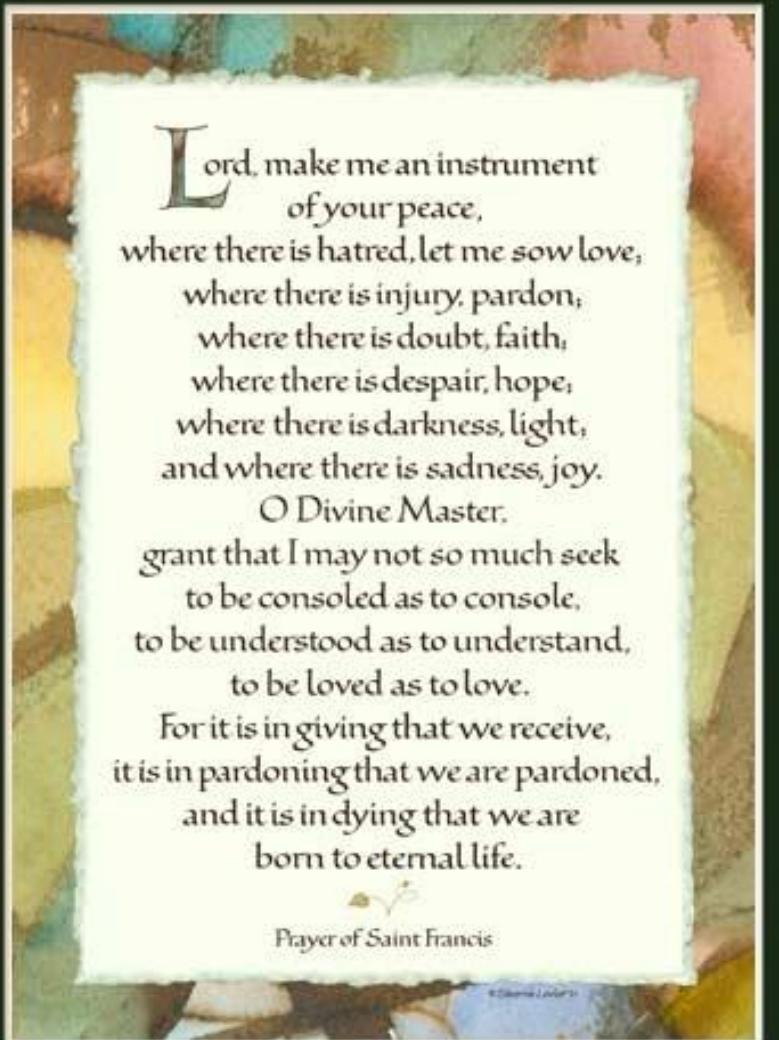
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## Make Me A Channel of You Peace (Prayer of St. Francis)



Lord, make me an instrument  
of your peace,  
where there is hatred, let me sow love,  
where there is injury, pardon,  
where there is doubt, faith,  
where there is despair, hope,  
where there is darkness, light,  
and where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master,  
grant that I may not so much seek  
to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
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.

Prayer of Saint Francis

We give thanks to the Father, who made us worthy to share in the inheritance of the saints in light.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*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.*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

Lord, open our lips

***And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.***

***Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever, Amen***

***Alleluia***

The Lord is glorious in his saints: Come let us adore him.

Venite

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
***let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.***

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
***and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.***

For the Lord is a great God, \*  
***and a great King above all gods.***

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
***and the heights of the hills are his also.***

The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
***and his hands have molded the dry land.***

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
***and kneel before the Lord our Maker.***

For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
***Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!***

Praise the LORD from the earth, \*  
***you sea-monsters and all deeps;***

Fire and hail, snow and fog, \*  
***tempestuous wind, doing his will;***

Mountains and all hills, \*  
***fruit trees and all cedars;***

Wild beasts and all cattle, \*  
***creeping things and winged birds;***

Kings of the earth and all peoples, \*  
***princes and all rulers of the world;***

Young men and maidens, \*  
***old and young together.***

Let them praise the Name of the LORD, \*  
***for his Name only is exalted,***  
***his splendor is over earth and heaven.***

He has raised up strength for his people and praise for all his loyal servants, \*  
***the children of Israel, a people who are near him.***  
***Hallelujah!***

## A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah

Woe to him who builds his house by unrighteousness,  
and his upper rooms by injustice;  
who makes his neighbors work for nothing,  
and does not give them their wages;  
who says, “I will build myself a spacious house  
with large upper rooms”,  
and who cuts out windows for it,  
paneling it with cedar,  
and painting it with vermillion.

Are you a king  
because you compete in cedar?  
Did not your father eat and drink  
and do justice and righteousness?  
Then it was well with him.  
He judged the cause of the poor and needy;  
then it was well.  
Is not this to know me?  
says the Lord.

The word of the Lord

***Thanks be to God***

## A Song of Creation - The Cosmic Order

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Glorify the Lord, you angels and all powers of the Lord, \*  
***O heavens and all waters above the heavens.***

Sun and moon and stars of the sky, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Glorify the Lord, every shower of rain and fall of dew, \*  
***all winds and fire and heat.***

Winter and Summer, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Glorify the Lord, O chill and cold, \*  
***drops of dew and flakes of snow.***

Frost and cold, ice and sleet, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Glorify the Lord, O nights and days, \*  
***O shining light and enfolding dark.***

Storm clouds and thunderbolts, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

## A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Galatians

May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule-- peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

From now on, let no one make trouble for me; for I carry the marks of Jesus branded on my body.

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers and sisters. Amen.

The word of the Lord

***Thanks be to God***

## A Song of Creation - The Earth and its Creatures

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Let the earth glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Glorify the Lord, O mountains and hills,  
and all that grows upon the earth, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Glorify the Lord, O springs of water, seas, and streams, \*  
***O whales and all that move in the waters.***

All birds of the air, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Glorify the Lord, O beasts of the wild, \*  
***and all you flocks and herds.***

O men and women everywhere, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, \*  
***praise him and highly exalt him for ever.***

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

**Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

The Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, Lord Christ**

## The Apostles' Creed

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth;  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

The Lord be with you

***And also with you***

Let us pray

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.

Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
***And grant us your salvation.***

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
***Let your people sing with joy.***

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
***For only in you can we live in safety.***

Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
***And guide us in the way of justice and truth.***

Let your way be known upon earth;  
***Your saving health among all nations.***

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
***Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.***

Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
***And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.***

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.*

### Prayers of the People

Lord, in your Mercy

***Hear our Prayer***

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen.*

## A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

***Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.***

*Let us bless the Lord*

***Thanks be to God***

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

*Amen.*

## A Prayer for Our Pets





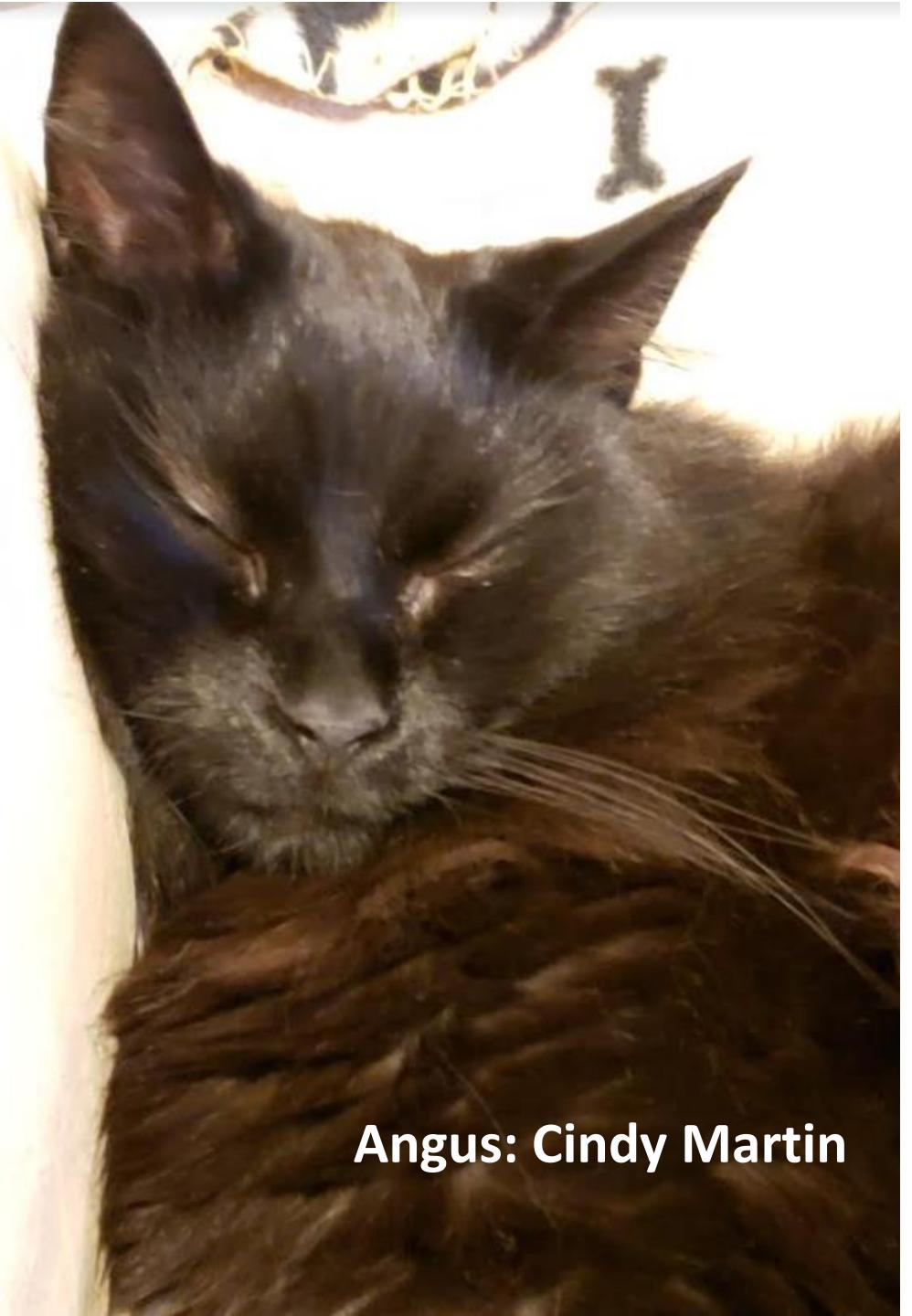
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Reilly: The Koegel Family

**Bear: Terry & Mike Choquette**





**Angus: Cindy Martin**



**Bubba: Chuck & Karen Meter**



**Zoe: Steve & Sophie Brooks**



**Finne: Cindy Martin**



**Lily: Chuck & Karen Meter**



Violet: Liz Martin



**Gypsy: Jim Dingle**



**Virgil: Chris Meter**

# Blessing of the Pets



**Today  
2:00 to 3:00 pm  
St. Mary's  
Rain or Shine**

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