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CHURCH

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Sunday Worship

February 1, 2015 – 10:00 AM

Fourth 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

***Gathering Song: O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing** – Hymn 493

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus! the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He speaks, and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive; the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ; ye blind, behold your savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.

Glory to God praise and love be now and ever given by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***Song of Praise: Your Grace Is Enough** – Matt Maher

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.

***All:** Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading from 1 Corinthians

(8-1-13)

Now concerning food sacrificed to idols: we know that "all of us possess knowledge." Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up. Anyone who claims to know something does not yet have the necessary knowledge; but anyone who loves God is known by him.

Hence, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that "no idol in the world really exists," and that "there is no God but one." Indeed, even though there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth - as in fact there are many gods and many lords - yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist.

It is not everyone, however, who has this knowledge. Since some have become so accustomed to idols until now, they still think of the food they eat as food offered to an idol; and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. "Food will not bring us close to God." We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. But take care that this liberty of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if others see you, who possess knowledge, eating in the temple of an idol, might they not, since their conscience is weak, be encouraged to the point of eating food sacrificed to idols? So by your knowledge those weak believers for whom Christ died are destroyed. But when you thus sin against members of your family, and wound their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of their falling, I will never eat meat, so that I may not cause one of them to fall.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Gradual Song:** Blessed Be The Name Of The Lord – Andy Park

I am standing beneath Your wings, I am resting in Your shelter. Your great faithfulness has been my shield. It makes me want to sing.

Blessed be the name of the Lord, Blessed be the name of the Lord. I will bless Your holy name for all my days. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

I sing praises to Your name, oh Lord, for You daily bear my burden. Your great faithfulness is my reward. It makes me want to sing.

***The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Mark**

(1:21-28)

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus and his disciples went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching - with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Sermon (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**

Leader: Let us pray for the Church and for the world:

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us, especially (prayers are offered silently or out loud). *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For JJ's Seafood, Jason Cuthrell, owner, that this business would grow and serve many families in our area. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For the congregations and clergy of Grace, Casanova; St. Stephen's, Catlett; St. Matthew's, Richmond; Trinity, Highland Springs that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For All Souls, Atlee, Amilee Wilmer, Vicar, and St. Gabriel's, Leesburg, Daniel Velez-Rivera, vicar, that each would fulfill its God given purpose through the power of the Holy Spirit. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For the coming of God's Kingdom in Metropolitan Richmond: For a Spirit of unity and cooperation among all people in all jurisdictions and that all would earnestly seek the common welfare of this metropolitan city. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us commend the world, to which Christ showed the way, to the mercy and protection of God. Amen.

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: Wake Up My Soul - Matt Redman

Wake up, my soul. Worship the Lord of truth and life. Have strength my heart. Press on as one who seeks the prize. (Repeat twice)

I'll run for You my God and King, I'll run as one who runs to win. I'm pressing on, not giving in, will run, I will run for You my King.

And Spirit come give life to us, come breathe the Father's love in us. Won't you fill us once again, and we will run and run with Him. We'll run with strength, with all our might, we'll fix our eyes on Jesus Christ. He has conquered death and sin, and we will run and run and run with Him.

***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 B**

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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

All (Sung): Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of his 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.

Priest: 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,

People: We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

Priest: And we offer this 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 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 for ever. **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 – Darlene Zschech

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: Everlasting God - Brenton Brown**

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord, wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord. Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord, wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord.

Our God, You reign for ever. Our Hope, Our Strong Deliver.

(Chorus:) You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God. You do not faint, You won't grow weary. You're the defender of the weak; You comfort those in need; You lift us up on wings like eagles.

Priest: Alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Remember in your prayers:

John Maher, Sr.
Richard Carchman

Larry Kidd, Jr.
Paula Gordon

Linda Eggleston
Hedy Walker and family

Your Vestry Members are:

Senior Warden: Jack Martin
Other Members: Larry Kidd

Junior Warden: Bill Weatherford
Richard Walker

Register: Marian Elam

Treasurer: Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers, and chalicers for February 1:

<u>Worship Service Date</u>	<u>Scripture Reader</u>	<u>Prayer Reader</u>	<u>Chalicers</u>	<u>Greeters/Ushers</u>
1-Feb	Bill Weatherford	MJ Weatherford	Susan Kidd, Jack Martin	Richard Walker, Larry Kidd

~ Announcements ~

Upcoming Important Dates:

Sunday, February 8	Communion Service followed by Pot Luck Lunch	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, February 11	Vestry Meeting	St. Francis	4:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 15	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, February 18	Ash Wednesday Service	St. Francis	6:15 p.m.

Food Collection for the Goochland Free Clinic and Family Services Food Pantry every Sunday. Please bring non-perishable food to donate. Place your donation in the box provided in the vestibule.

The Garden: There will be a meeting of all involved in The Garden on February 8th immediately after pot luck. It is time to make plans for planting.

A note from Hedy and Richard Walker: Thank you for the wonderful support and condolences given to us last week at the passing of Hedy's mother, Jean Guererra. We are so blessed to have such a caring and supportive church family in St. Francis.

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

2014	Operating Funds		Net Gain
-	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>or (Loss)</u>
1st Quarter	\$21,208.00	\$22,425.59	(\$2,217.59)
2nd Quarter	\$22,568.00	\$20,086.30	\$2,481.70
3rd Quarter	\$19,716.50	\$21,206.99	(\$1,490.49)
4th Quarter	<u>\$22,373.00</u>	<u>\$22,057.53</u>	<u>\$315.47</u>
2014 Year-To-Date	\$85,865.50	\$86,776.41	(\$910.91)
2015			
January	\$3,946.00	\$4,652.11	(\$706.11)
February	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
March	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
1st Quarter	\$3,946.00	\$4,652.11	(\$706.11)
2015 Year-To-Date	\$3,946.00	\$4,652.11	(\$706.11)
Checking Account Balance	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
YTD 2015	\$32,005.82	\$31,299.71	(\$706.11)

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