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# Sunday Worship

May 24, 2015 – 10:00 AM

## Day of Pentecost

### 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. Follow the singing with the words in this bulletin, and come to the Table for communion. You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

#### Prelude

**\*Gathering Song:** O Worship The King – Hymn 388

O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing his power and his love! Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

O tell of his might! O sing of his grace! Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth, with its store of wonders untold, Almighty, thy power hath founded of old, hath 'stablished it fast by a changeless decree, and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail; thy mercies, how tender! How firm to the end! Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

**Priest:** Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**All:** The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

**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:** Sweet Mercies – Davis Ruis

It's our confession Lord, that we are weak, so very weak, but You are strong and though we've nothing Lord, to lay at your feet, we come to Your feet and say, "Help us along."

A broken heart and a contrite spirit You have yet to deny. Your heart of mercy beats with love's strong current. Let the river flow by your Spirit now, Lord we cry.

*(Chorus:)* Let Your mercies fall from heaven, sweet mercies flow from heaven. New mercies for today, shower them down Lord as we pray. Let Your mercies fall from heaven, sweet mercies flow from heaven. New mercies for today, shower them down Lord as we pray.

**\*All:** Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**A Reading from Ezekiel**

(37:1-14)

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, "Mortal, can these bones live?" I answered, "O Lord GOD, you know." Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord GOD to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord."

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord GOD: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live." I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, "Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, 'Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.' Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord GOD: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act," says the Lord.

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**\*Gradual Song: Good Things Run Wild** - John Maher and Daved Terrel

*(Chorus:)* Come to build your house among us with room for every child. Let the doors fly open so that good things run wild. Let every dream you pour upon us spark a flaming fire. Releasing every hope so that good things run wild.

Pour into our spirits Your wisdom and power. We need to walk just like You. Let your mercy flow between every heart and soul. We need to love just like You. *(Chorus)*

We want You to take our hours and our days. We need to be bearing fruit for You. Take our minds, capture our thoughts. Let them be in the stream that comes from You. *(Chorus)*

**\*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John**

(15:26-27; 16:4b-15)

**All:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

"I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But, now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, 'Where are you going?' But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**All:** Praise to you Lord Christ.

### **Sermon** (please be seated)

**\*Response to Sermon:** When I Look Into Your Holiness - Wayne Perrin, Cathy Perrin

When I look into Your holiness; when I gaze into Your loveliness; when all things that surround become shadows in the light of You.

When I've found the joy of reaching Your heart; when my will become enthroned in Your love; when all things that surround become shadows in the light of You

I worship You. I worship You. The reason I live is to worship You.

**\*Leader:** Let us 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:** Almighty God, giver of all good things: We thank you for the natural majesty and beauty of this land. They restore us, though we often destroy them.

**All:** Heal us.

**Leader:** We thank you for the great resources of this nation. They make us rich, though we often exploit them.

**All:** Forgive us.

**Leader:** We thank you for the men and women who have made this country strong. They are models for us, though we often fall short of them.

**All:** **Inspire us.**

**Leader:** We thank you for the torch of liberty which has been lit in this land. It has drawn people from every nation, though we have often hidden from its light.

**All:** **Enlighten us.**

**Leader:** We thank you for the faith we have inherited in all its rich variety. It sustains our life, though we have been faithless again and again.

**All:** **Renew us.**

**Leader:** For Christ Church, Glen Allen that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit in the search and selection of a new rector:

**All:** **Hear us.**

**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.

**All:** **Hear us.**

**Leader:** That those called to children's ministry may be added to our fellowship.

**All:** **Hear us.**

**Leader:** For the sick, those in any kind of need, and for the concerns close to our hearts, especially (please add your prayers silently or aloud).

**All:** **Hear us.**

**Leader:** Help us, O Lord, to finish the good work here begun. Strengthen our efforts to blot out ignorance and prejudice, and to abolish poverty and crime. And hasten the day when all our people, with many voices in one united chorus, will glorify your holy Name. **Amen.**

**Priest:** O Judge of the nations, we remember before you with grateful hearts the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy. Grant that we may not rest until all the people of this land share the benefits of true freedom and gladly accept its disciplines. This we ask in the Name of 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:** **Come Down, O Love Divine** – Hymn 516

Come down, O Love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardor glowing; O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round, the while my path illuming.

And so the yearning strong, with which the soul will long, shall far out-pass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace, till Love create a place wherein the Holy Spirit makes a dwelling.

**\*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. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. 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: Agnus Dei – Michael Smith**

Alleluia, Alleluia, for our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, Alleluia, for our Lord God Almighty reigns. Alleluia, Holy, Holy are You, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb; Worthy is the Lamb.

You are Holy. Holy are You, Lord God Almighty. Worthy is the Lamb; Worthy is the Lamb. Amen.

*(Repeat)*

**\*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: Beautiful One - Tim Hughes**

Wonderful so wonderful is Your unfailing love. Your cross is spoken mercy over me. No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no heart can fully know. How glorious, how beautiful You are.

Beautiful One I love. Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing.

Powerful so powerful Your glory fills the skies. Your mighty works displayed for all to see. The beauty of Your majesty awakes my heart to sing. How marvelous, how wonderful You are.

Beautiful One I love. Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing.

Beautiful One I love. Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing.

You've opened my eyes to Your wonders anew. Captured my heart with this love. 'Cause nothing on earth is as beautiful as You, Jesus.

And You've opened my eyes to your wonders anew. Captured my heart with this love. 'Cause nothing on earth is as beautiful as You, Jesus.

Beautiful One I love. Beautiful One I adore. Beautiful One my soul must sing.

Oh my soul, my soul must sing. My soul, my soul must sing. My soul, my soul must sing. Beautiful One.

My soul, my soul must sing. My soul, my soul must sing. My soul, my soul must sing. Beautiful One.

**Priest:** Alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

**All:** Thanks are to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**Remember in your prayers:**

Larry Kidd  
The Symphony Retirement Community  
Ken Killian, Pete LeViness' stepfather  
David Gammon

Sonny Baharloo  
John Maher, Sr.  
Wayne Connors

Robin and John Snow  
Paula Gordon  
Linda Eggleston

**Your Vestry Members are:**

**Senior Warden:** Jack Martin  
**Other Members:** Larry Kidd

**Junior Warden:** Richard Walker  
Libby Clark

**Register:** Marian Elam

**Treasurer:** Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalcers for April, May and early June. 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>Chalcers</u>	<u>Greeters/Ushers</u>
24-May	Richard Walker	Larry Kidd	Richard Walker, Susan Kidd	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
31-May	Bill Weatherford	MJ Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, MJ Weatherford	Richard Walker, Larry Kidd
7-Jun	Larry Kidd	Kathy Gammon	Kathy Gammon, Susan Kidd	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd

# ~Announcements~

## Upcoming Important Dates:

Sunday, May 31	Sunday Worship	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Sunday, June 7	Sunday Worship	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Sunday, June 10	Vestry Meeting	St. Francis	4:00 p.m.
Sunday, June 14	Sunday Worship followed by pot luck lunch	St. Francis	10:00 a.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.

**Monday, May 25, 2015** - Memorial Day Service and Children's Parade at 9:45 a.m. at Goochland Courthouse Green. WWII veteran will be the featured speaker.

**Saturday June 6, 2015** - Clean Up Day at St. Francis at 9:00 a.m.

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

	<u>Operating Funds</u>	<u>Net Gain</u>
	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>or (Loss)</u>
<b>2015</b>		
1st Quarter	<b>\$23,344.99</b>	<b>(\$883.83)</b>
April	\$7,293.33	<b>(\$622.54)</b>
May	\$5,083.33	<b>\$1,920.79</b>
June	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
<b>2nd Quarter</b>	<b>\$12,376.66</b>	<b>\$1,298.25</b>
<b>2015 Year-To-Date</b>	<b>\$35,721.65</b>	<b>\$414.42</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance</b>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
<b>YTD 2015</b>	\$32,005.82	\$32,420.24
		<b>\$ 414.42</b>

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