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Sunday Worship

May 31, 2015 – 10:00 AM

First Sunday after 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:** Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee, though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see.
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee, perfect in power, in love and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name, in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty, God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

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:** 10,000 Reasons – Matt Redman

(Chorus:) Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul; worship His holy name; sing like never before, O my soul; I'll worship Your holy name.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning; it's time to sing Your song again; whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes. *(Chorus)*

You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger; Your name is great, and Your heart is kind; for all Your goodness, I'll keep on singing ten thousand reasons for my heart to find. *(Chorus)*

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come, still my soul will sing your praise unending ten thousand years and then forevermore. *(Chorus)*

***All:** Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading from Romans

(8:12-17)

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh -- for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ -- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Gradual Song: I Stand In Awe – Mark Altrogee**

You are beautiful beyond description, too marvelous for words, too wonderful for comprehension, like nothing ever seen or heard. Who can grasp Your infinite wisdom, who can fathom the depth of Your love? You are beautiful beyond description, Majesty enthroned above.

(Chorus:) And I stand, I stand in awe of You. I stand, I stand in awe of You. Holy God, to whom all praise is due, I stand in awe of You.

You are beautiful beyond description, too marvelous for words, too wonderful for comprehension, like nothing ever seen or heard. Who can grasp Your infinite wisdom, who can fathom the depth of Your love? You are beautiful beyond description, Majesty enthroned above. *(Chorus)*

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

(3:1-17)

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

"Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Sermon (please be seated)

***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: 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. *(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: For Food Lion in Centerville, that business would increase and many households in our area would be well served by this grocery store. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For Christ Church, Glen Allen that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit in the search and selection of a new rector: *(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 congregations and clergy of Buck Mountain, Earlysville; Abingdon, White Marsh; Grace & Holy Trinity, Richmond; Grace Church, Stanardsville that they may continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That those called to children's ministry may be added to our fellowship. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For all who serve in our country's military defending and strengthening them with courage to deal with the perils they face, and for all veterans of all branches of the military. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For a spirit of unity, mutuality, cooperation, reconciliation, reform, and common ministry among the Christian community. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy:

All: Hear our prayer

Leader: Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead, to the mercy and protection of God. Amen.

*Exchange of Peace

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

People: And also with you.

The Holy Communion

Offertory: 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.

***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: I Will Run To You – Darlene Zschech

Your eye is on the sparrow and Your hand, it comforts me. From the ends of the earth to the depths of my heart, let Your mercy and strength be seen. You call me to Your purpose as angels understand. For Your glory, may You draw all men as Your love and grace demands.

(Chorus:) And I will run to you, to Your words of truth not by might, not by power, but by the Spirit of God. Yes, I will run the race till I see Your Face. Oh, let me live in the glory of Your Grace.

You call me to Your purpose as angels understand. For Your glory, may You draw all men as Your love and grace demands. *(Chorus)*

Oh, let me live in the glory. Oh, let me live in the glory. Oh, let me live in the glory of Your Grace.

***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: Love the Lord – Lincoln Brewster

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. [x2]

With all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.

I will serve the Lord, with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength. [x2]

With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength.

I will serve the Lord, with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength.

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I will love You (I will love You). I will praise You (I will praise You). I will serve You, Lord (I will serve You).
I will trust You, Lord (I will trust You).

And with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, and with all my strength.
With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength.

I will love You Lord, with all my heart, with all my soul, with all my mind, with all my strength.

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 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>
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:

Saturday, June 6	Work Day	St. Francis	9 a.m.–3 p.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.

Work Day, Saturday, June 6, 9:00 a.m. 0 3:00 p.m. – Come and go as you are able throughout the day. If you are available to help, please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Missional Communities:

The Parke will meet for a leaders’ huddle on May 31 and June 7 at 3:00 p.m. at the church.

The Symphony will bring communion to the Symphony Assisted Living Community on Sunday, June 28. Please contact Bobbie LeViness to participate: bobbiedrew@yahoo.com

The Garden has set up a schedule for tending the potatoes. Contact MJ Weatherford for details: mcats2@aol.com

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

	Operating Funds		Net Gain
	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>or (Loss)</u>
2015			
1st Quarter	\$23,344.99	\$24,228.82	(\$883.83)
April	\$7,293.33	\$7,915.87	(\$622.54)
May	\$6,349.33	\$4,804.15	\$1,545.18
June	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
2nd Quarter	\$13,642.66	\$12,720.02	\$922.64
2015 Year-To-Date	\$36,987.65	\$36,948.84	\$38.81
Checking Account Balance	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
YTD 2015	\$32,005.82	\$32,044.63	\$ 38.81

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