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CHURCH

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Sunday Worship

August 16, 2015 – 10:00 AM

Twelfth 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: Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken** (Hymn #522)

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; God, whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for his own abode. On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, thou mayst smile at all thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love, well supply thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove. Who can faint while such a river ever will their thirst assuage? Grace which like the Lord, the giver, never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hovering, see the cloud and fire appear for a glory and a covering, showing that the Lord is near! Thus deriving from our banner light by night and shade by day, safe we feed upon the manna which God gives us when we pray.

Blest inhabitants of Zion, washed in our Redeemer's blood; Jesus, whom our souls rely on, makes us monarchs, priests to God. Us, by his great love, he raises, rulers over self to reign, and as priests his solemn praises we for thankful offering bring.

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

All: And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. 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: Above All**

Above all powers, above all kings, above all nature and all created things; Above all wisdom and all the ways of man, You were here before the world began. Above all kingdoms, above all thrones, above all wonders the world has ever known; Above all wealth and treasures of the earth, there's no way to measure what You're worth.

(Chorus:) Crucified, laid behind the stone; You lived to die, rejected and alone; Like a rose trampled on the ground, You took the fall and thought of me above all.

***All:** O God of justice and compassion, who put down the proud and the mighty from their place, and lift up the poor and afflicted: We give you thanks for your faithful witness Jonathan Myrick Daniels, who, in the midst of injustice and violence, risked and gave his life for another; and we pray that we, following his example, may make no peace with oppression; through Jesus Christ the just one: who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

A Reading from Proverbs

(4:20-27)

My child, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings.
Do not let them escape from your sight; keep them within your heart.
For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh.
Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it flow the springs of life.
Put away from you crooked speech, and put devious talk far from you.
Let your eyes look directly forwards, and your gaze be straight before you.
Keep straight the path of your feet, and all your ways will be sure.
Do not swerve to the right or to the left; turn your foot away from evil.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Gradual Song: Song of Mary - John Maher / 2014**

(Chorus 2X) My soul shouts out the greatness of the Lord. My heart is dancing because of God my Savior. The Lord has favored me all ages will proclaim; That God has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. On those who fear The Lord his mercy will abide; He showed the strength of his right arm, the proud are scattered wide. (Chorus:)

The mighty are cast down and lowly ones are raised. He fills the hungry with good things and sends the rich away. He comes to us to keep the promise that was made before to Abraham and all his heirs of mercy evermore.

(Chorus 2X)

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

(1: 46-55)

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

And Mary* said, 'My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour, for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.
Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed; for the Mighty One has done great things for me, and holy is his name.
His mercy is for those who fear him from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm; he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.
He has brought down the powerful from their thrones, and lifted up the lowly; he has filled the hungry with good things, and sent the rich away empty.
He has helped his servant Israel, in remembrance of his mercy, according to the promise he made to our ancestors, to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Sermon (please be seated)

***Priest:** 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, especially _____; (the people may add their own petitions silently or out loud); 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: For Kathryn, our Presiding Bishop, and Michael, our Presiding Bishop-elect, and Shannon, Susan, and Ted, our Bishops, and for all bishops and other ministers;

All: For all who serve God in his Church.

Leader: For All Souls, Atlee, Amilee Wilmer, Vicar, and for St. Gabriel's, Leesburg, Daniel Velez-Rivera, Vicar;

All: For provision to reach every God-given goal.

Leader: For Manakin Sabot Veterinary Clinic that animals in our area would lead healthy lives. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For the clergy and people of St. Mary's, Lively that they would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For all businesses and workplaces in Metropolitan Richmond: For financial institutions, healthy and constructive investment practices and policies, and effective development efforts to benefit every community in the region. *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For veterans of our military and all who have served our country; *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That those whose calling and ministry is to families with children would be added to this congregation; *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. *(The People may add their own petitions.)* *(Silence)* Lord, in your mercy,

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. *(The People may add their own thanksgivings.)* *(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: 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: Fill Me Now - Michael Hansen & Christina Peppin

Hover over Holy Spirit Bathe my trembling heart and brow. Fill me with Your awesome presence Come, oh come, and fill me now.

(Chorus:) Fill me now, fill me now Spirit come and fill me now. Fill me now, fill me now Spirit come and fill me now.

In myself I'm full of weakness Can You use this life somehow. Cleanse and comfort, heal and teach me Come, oh come, and fill me now. (Chorus:)

Just one life I have for living In Your service send me out. Source of love, of faith and power Come, oh come, and fill me now. (Chorus:)

***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 A**

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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever 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: Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Priest: We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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

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 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.

***Blessing**

Song of Dismissal: All The Earth

Father, into Your courts will I enter; Maker of heaven and earth, I tremble in Your Holy presence; Glory, glory in Your sanctuary, splendor and majesty, Lord, before You; All life adores You

(Chorus:) All the earth will declare that Your love is everywhere. The fields will exalt, seas will resound; See the trees' joyful cry praising You and so would I. A new song I'll sing.

Lord I will glorify and bless Your holy name.

Jesus, Lord of all life and salvation; Into your presence we come, We worship, You, our precious Savior; Fill us, fill us with your Holy power, set us aflame with your love, Till nations all know your glory.

(Chorus:) All the earth will declare that Your love is everywhere. The fields will exalt, seas will resound; See the trees' joyful cry praising You and so would I. A new song I'll sing (repeat)

Lord I will glorify and bless Your Holy, Lord I will glorify and bless Your name, Lord I will glorify and bless Your name. Lord I'll glorify and bless Your holy name!

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve God.

All: Thanks be to God. **Alleluia, Alleluia.**

Remember in your prayers:

Larry Kidd (Jr. and Sr.)
The Symphony Retirement Community
John Maher and his family
Carl Burton

Sonny Baharloo
Paula Gordon
Linda Eggleston
MJ Weatherford

Rachel Pisarz
Ken Killian
Joseph Moore
Allie and Jenni Morris

What if you have a question or concern for the vicar? Here are five ways you can communicate with the vicar:

1. Ask the vicar directly
2. Ask for a meeting at a later date
3. Sit at the vicar's table at the monthly pot luck
4. E-mail or phone call
5. If you feel the need, ask a vestry member to come along to a meeting with the vicar – this is an essential ministry of vestry members

Your Vestry Members are:

Senior Warden: Jack Martin

Junior Warden: Richard Walker

Other Members: Larry Kidd

Libby Clark

Register: Marian Elam

Treasurer: Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalcers. 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> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 9-Aug | Bobbie Leviness | Jack Martin | Marian Elam, Jack Martin | Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd |
| 16-Aug | Richard Walker | Larry Kidd | Richard Walker, Susan Kidd | Richard Walker, Larry Kidd |
| 23-Aug | Jack Martin | Bill Weatherford | Jack Martin, Bill Weatherford | John and Libby Clark |
| 30-Aug | Larry Kidd | Bobbie Leviness | Susan Kidd, Marian Elam | Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd |
| 6-Sep | MJ Weatherford | Bobbie Leviness | MJ Weatherford, Marian Elam | John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd |
| 13-Sep | Bill Weatherford | Richard Walker | Bill Weatherford, Richard Walker | Richard Walker, Larry Kidd |
| 20-Sep | Jack Martin | MJ Weatherford | Jack Martin, MJ Weatherford | Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd |
| 27-Sep | Richard Walker | Larry Kidd | Richard Walker, Susan Kidd | John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd |
| 4-Oct | MJ Weatherford | Bill Weatherford | MJ Weatherford, Bill Weatherford | Richard Walker, Larry Kidd |

~Announcements~

Upcoming Important Dates:

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| Sunday, August 16 | Worship Service | St. Francis | 10:00 a.m. |
| Tuesday, August 18 | Service of Healing | St. Francis | 6:15 p.m. |
| Sunday, August 23 | Worship Service | St. Francis | 10:00 a.m. |
| Tuesday, August 25 | Service of Healing | 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 Parke will meet for pot luck and fellowship on August 16th at 5:00pm at the home of Richard and Hedy Walker. Contact Richard at richardandhedy@yahoo.com

Symphony will meet on August 23, 2015, at 9:00am at the Symphony Assisted Living. Contact Bobbie Leviness at bobbiedrew@yahoo.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) |
| 2nd Quarter | \$20,771.99 | \$23,203.94 | (\$2,431.95) |
| July | \$6,547.33 | \$7,745.82 | (\$1,198.49) |
| August | \$740.00 | \$1,160.37 | (\$420.37) |
| September | <u>\$0.00</u> | <u>\$0.00</u> | \$0.00 |
| 3rd Quarter | \$7,287.33 | \$8,906.19 | (\$1,618.86) |
| 2015 Year-To-Date | \$51,404.31 | \$56,338.95 | (\$4,934.64) |
| Checking Account Balance | <u>Beginning</u> | <u>Ending</u> | |
| YTD 2015 | \$32,005.82 | \$27,071.18 | (\$4,934.64) |

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