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# Sunday Worship

September 6, 2015 – 10:00 AM

**Fifteenth 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: Be Thou My Vision**

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; all else be naught to me, save that thou art, thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my great Father; thine own may I be; thou in me dwelling, and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won, may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

**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: 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)*

**\*All:** Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## A Reading from Isaiah

(35:4-7a)

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water.

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

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**\*Gradual Song:** Salt and Light - Jami Smith

You make me want to be like You; Your holiness I will pursue; I want the heart of Jesus; Show me the meaning of Your grace; I want to give the world a taste of the love of Jesus.

*(Chorus:)* Make me salt, make me light; Let Your holy fire ignite; Reveal Your glory in my life; I am not ashamed to lift up Your holy name; Make me salt, make me light.

*(Repeat verse & chorus)*

Set me as a city on a hill, a lamp on a stand; Mold me in Your image, the work of Your hand. *(Chorus- 2 times)*

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

(7:24-37)

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

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go -- the demon has left your daughter." So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak."

**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:** In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *(Silence)*

For all people in their daily life and work;

**All:** For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

**Leader:** For this community, the nation, and the world;

**All:** For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

**Leader:** For the just and proper use of your creation;

**All:** For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

**Leader:** For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

**All:** For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

**Leader:** For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

**All:** For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

**Leader:** For Katherine our Presiding Bishop, and *Michael our Presiding Bishop elect*, Shannon, Susan, and Ted our Bishops; and all bishops and other ministers;

**All:** For all who serve God in his Church.

**Leader:** For healing for the sick, especially\_\_\_\_\_. Hear us, Lord;

**All:** For your mercy is great.

**Leader:** For Rate Pro Mortgages, that business would increase and more people would be able to own homes and businesses in Goochland County. Hear us, Lord;

**All:** For your mercy is great.

**Leader:** For all the baptized in their daily life and work that all would be empowered to work, pray, and give for the spread of the kingdom of God. Hear us, Lord;

**All:** For your mercy is great.

**Leader:** For all Superintendents, School Boards, School Administrators, PTS's, teachers, and staff that all would be well educated in our region. Hear us, Lord;

**All:** For your mercy is great.

**Leader:** For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. (*The People may add their own petitions.*)  
Hear us, Lord;

**All:** **For your mercy is great.**

**Leader:** We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. (*The People may add their own thanksgivings.*)  
We will exalt you, O God our King;

**All:** **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

**Leader:** We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. (*The People may add their own petitions.*) Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

**All:** **Who put their trust in you.**

**Leader:** We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. (*The People may add their own thanksgivings.*)  
Lord, in your mercy,

**All:** **Hear our prayer.**

**Leader:** We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. (*Silence*)

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

**All:** Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; 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:** Faithful One - Brian Doerksen

Faithful one, so unchanging; Ageless one, you're my rock of peace; Lord of all I depend on you; I call out to you, again and again. I call out to you, again and again.

(*Chorus:*) You are my rock in times of trouble; You lift me up when I fall down; All through the storm, Your love is, the anchor; My hope is in You alone.

(Repeat Verse and repeat Chorus 2 times)

My hope is in You; My hope is in You; Our hope is in You alone.

**\*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**

**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 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:** 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 our 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: Fill Me Now – Michael Hansen**

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 2 times)*

**\*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: Jesus Messiah – Chris Tomlin**

He became sin, Who knew no sin. That we might become His Righteousness. He humbled himself and carried the cross. Love so amazing. Love so amazing.

*(Chorus:)* Jesus Messiah, Name above all names. Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel. The rescue for sinners. The ransom from Heaven. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

His body, the bread. His blood, the wine. Broken and poured out all for love. The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn. Love so amazing. Love so amazing. *(Chorus)*

All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You. All the glory to You, God, the light of the world.

Jesus Messiah, Name above all names. Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel. The rescue for sinners. The ransom from Heaven. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all.

The Lord of all, the Lord of all.

**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.)	Sonny Baharloo	Rachel Pizarz
The Symphony Retirement Community	Paula Gordon	Ken Killian
John Maher and his family	Linda Eggleston	Joseph Moore
Carl Burton	MJ Weatherford	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:

<b>Senior Warden:</b> Jack Martin	<b>Junior Warden:</b> Richard Walker
<b>Other Members:</b> Larry Kidd	Libby Clark
<b>Register:</b> Marian Elam	<b>Treasurer:</b> Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalice readers. 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>Chalice Readers</u>	<u>Greeters/Ushers</u>
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:

Wednesday, September 9	Vestry Committee	St. Francis	4:00 p.m.
	Family on Mission Learning Community	St. Francis	6:15 p.m.
Saturday, September 12	Work Day	St. Francis	9:00–3:00
Sunday, September 13	Worship Service followed by pot luck	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, September 16	family on Mission Learning Community	St. Francis	6:15 p.m.

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

**Bishop Goff will be visiting St. Francis** on the afternoon of Sunday, October 25, 2015. She will preside at the liturgy, preach, and confirm and receive our new members. If you would like to join St. Francis by being confirmed or received, please let John know as soon as possible at [vicar@stfrancisva.org](mailto:vicar@stfrancisva.org). If you have been confirmed in another Episcopal church but never transferred your membership to St. Francis, please contact John as soon as possible so arrangements can be made for you to transfer your membership at [vicar@stfrancisva.org](mailto:vicar@stfrancisva.org).

**Our Missional Communities:**

**The Parke** will meet for pot luck and fellowship on September 20th at 5:00 p.m. at the home of Richard and Hedy Walker. Contact Richard at [richardandhedy@yahoo.com](mailto:richardandhedy@yahoo.com).

**Symphony** will meet at Symphony Assisted Living for worship on September 27 at 9:00 a.m. Please contact Bobbie Leviness to join in: [bobbiedrew@yahoo.com](mailto: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 or (Loss)
	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Expenses</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	\$6,441.33	\$7,410.25	(\$968.92)
September	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
3rd Quarter	\$12,988.66	\$15,156.07	(\$2,167.41)
2015 Year-To-Date	\$57,105.64	\$62,588.83	(\$5,483.19)
Checking Account Balance	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
YTD 2015	\$32,005.82	\$26,522.63	(\$5,483.19)

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