



ST. FRANCIS
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CHURCH

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Sunday Worship

February 16, 2014 – 10:00 AM

Sixth 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 #1: Come People of the Risen King

Come people of the risen King, who delight to bring Him praise. Come all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace. From the shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him, where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

(Chorus:) Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come those whose joy is morning sun and those weeping through the night. Come those who tell of battles won and those struggling in the fight. For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease, but follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace. *(Chorus)*

Come young and old from every land, men and women of the faith. Come those with full or empty hands. Find the riches of His grace. Over all the world His people sing. Shore to shore we hear them call the Truth that cries through every age: "Our God is all in all!" *(Chorus)*

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 Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

↑Gathering Song #2: Multiply Your Love

Multiply Your love through us to the lost and the least. Let us be Your healing hands Your instruments of peace. May our single purpose be to imitate Your life. Through our simple words and deeds, let love be multiplied.

Multiply Your love through me to someone in need. Help me Lord to freely give this grace that I've received. Let my single purpose be to imitate Your life. Through my simple words and deeds, let love be multiplied.

(Chorus:) Let us see Your kingdom come to the poor and broken ones. Let us see a mighty flood of justice and mercy, O Jesus. Let love be multiplied, let love be multiplied.

Multiply Your church through us to the ends of the earth. Where there's only barrenness, let us see new birth. Use us as Your laborers working side by side. Let us see your harvest come, let love be multiplied. *(Chorus)*

Let love be multiplied. Let love be multiplied. Let love be multiplied. Let love be multiplied.

Multiply Your love through us to the lost and the least. Let us be Your healing hands Your instruments of peace. May our single purpose be to imitate Your life. Through our simple words and deeds, let love be multiplied.

Multiply Your love through us, multiply Your love. Multiply Your love through us, multiply Your love.

↑All: O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(Please be seated) **A Reading from Deuteronomy**

(30:15-20)

Moses said to all Israel the words which the Lord commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

↑Gradual Song: A Great Light – John Maher

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. It shines on the ones who lived with death and night.

You have made their gladness greater; You have made their joy increase. They thrive in Your presence and run in your endless peace.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light. It shines on the ones who lived with death and night.

You carry all dominion on your shoulders, and it is wide and glorious with no end. Your name is known as Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "You have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not murder'; and 'whoever murders shall be liable to judgment.' But I say to you that if you are angry with a brother or sister, you will be liable to judgment; and if you insult a brother or sister, you will be liable to the council; and if you say, 'You fool,' you will be liable to the hell of fire. So when you are offering your gift at the altar, if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister, and then come and offer your gift. Come to terms quickly with your accuser while you are on the way to court with him, or your accuser may hand you over to the judge, and the judge to the guard, and you will be thrown into prison. Truly I tell you, you will never get out until you have paid the last penny.

"You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' But I say to you that everyone who looks at a woman with lust has already committed adultery with her in his heart. If your right eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. And if your right hand causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; it is better for you to lose one of your members than for your whole body to go into hell.

"It was also said, 'Whoever divorces his wife, let him give her a certificate of divorce.' But I say to you that anyone who divorces his wife, except on the ground of unchastity, causes her to commit adultery; and whoever marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

"Again, you have heard that it was said to those of ancient times, 'You shall not swear falsely, but carry out the vows you have made to the Lord.' But I say to you, Do not swear at all, either by heaven, for it is the throne of God, or by the earth, for it is his footstool, or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make one hair white or black. Let your word be 'Yes, Yes' or 'No, No'; anything more than this comes from the evil one.

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Message (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: From the rising of the sun to its setting, let us pray to the Lord:

That the people of God in all the world may worship in spirit and in truth, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That the Church may discover again that unity which is the Father's will, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That the nations of the earth may seek after the ways that make for peace, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That Goodwill in Centerville may serve and help many people through the work of this store, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That the congregations and clergy of St. Andrew's, Arlington; St. Michael's, Arlington; St. David's Ashburn; St. Mary's, Reedville; and St. Stephen's, Heathsville may continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That many families with young children in our area would come to love and serve Jesus, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That the whole creation, groaning in travail, may be set free to enjoy the glorious liberty of the children of God, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That all who with Christ have entered the shadow of death may rest in peace and rise in glory, let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

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

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

↑ **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** from A New Zealand Prayer Book, 1989 (adapted)

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Lift your hearts to heaven.

People: Where Christ in glory reigns.

Priest: Let us give thanks to God.

People: It is right to offer thanks and praise.

Priest: It is the joy of our salvation God of the universe, to give you thanks through Jesus Christ. You said, 'Let there be light'; there was light. Your light shines on in our darkness. For you the earth has brought forth life in all its forms.

You have created us to hear your Word, to do your will, and to be fulfilled in your love. It is right to thank you. You sent your Son to be for us the way we need to follow and the truth we need to know. You send your Holy Spirit to strengthen and to guide, to warn and to revive your Church. Therefore, with all your witnesses who surround us on every side, countless as heaven's stars, we praise you for our creation and our calling, with loving and with joyful hearts:

All (Sung): Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart, I want to see You, I want to see You; Open the eyes of my heart, Lord, open the eyes of my heart, I want to see You, I want to see You. To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory; Pour out Your power and love as we sing, "Holy, holy, holy."

Holy Holy Holy, Holy Holy Holy, Holy Holy Holy I want to see You (2x)

Priest: Blessed are you, most holy, in your Son, who washed his disciples' feet. 'I am among you,' he said, 'as one who serves.' On that night before he died he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke it, gave it to his disciples, and said: "Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you; do this to remember me." After supper, he took the cup, and gave you thanks. He gave it to them and said: "Drink this. It is my blood of the new covenant, shed for you, shed for all, to forgive sin; do this to remember me." Therefore with this bread and wine we recall your goodness to us:

People: God of the past and present, we your people remember your Son. We thank you for his cross and rising again, we take courage from his ascension; we look for his coming in glory and in him we give ourselves to you.

Priest: Send your Holy Spirit, that we who receive Christ's body may indeed be the body of Christ, and we who share his cup draw strength from the one true vine.

People: Called to follow Christ, help us to reconcile and unite. For you, the heavenly one, make all things new; you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first. Praise, glory and love be yours this and every day from us and all people here and everywhere. 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: Change My Heart, O God

Change my heart, O God. Make it ever true. Change my heart, O God. May I be like You. You are the Potter. I am the clay. Mold me and make me. This is what I pray. Change my heart, O God. Make it ever true. Change my heart, O God. May I be like You.

↑**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: Friend of God**

Who am I that You are mindful of me? That You hear me when I call? Is it true that You are thinking of me? How You love me, it's amazing.

Who am I that You are mindful of me? That You hear me when I call? Is it true that You are thinking of me? How You love me, it's amazing. It's amazing. It's amazing.

(Chorus:) I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God. He calls me friend. I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God. I am a friend of God. He calls me friend.

Who am I that You are mindful of me? That You hear me when I call? Is it true that You are thinking of me? How You love me, it's amazing. *(Chorus)*

God Almighty, Lord of Glory, You have called me Friend. God Almighty, Lord of Glory, You have called me Friend. *(Chorus)*

↑Announcements, Prayer Requests, and Dismissal

Priest: Alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Remember in your prayers:

Libby Clark	Helen	Arielle Niemeyer
Christian Families in Pakistan	Simon Bauers	April and family
Jean Guerrero	Michelle Lambert	Amanda
Michael Saady	Sonny B.	Chris Keller
Jane, Brian, and Andrew Hahn	Kathy S.	Nancy & Jackie
Jill	Clay	John Madden
Sam	Jean	David

Make yourself comfortable!

Welcome to worship today. We're glad you've come to glorify God with the people of St. Francis Church.

There is no "one right way" to participate. Join in as much as you want.

If you wish to sing, all our music is included in the bulletin. We have a lively contemporary band and music is a significant part of our worship experience. However, we recognize that visitors may not know the music. If you and your family are among these, we encourage you to hum along or simply sit back and enjoy the sound.

Filling out a name tag and placing it on your person will permit us all to greet each other by name while visiting here at St. Francis. Likewise, signing our guest roster will permit us to follow-up with you following this Sunday's worship.

If you are a guest today, don't feel obligated to make a financial contribution to the offering.

Rest rooms are located in the entrance Narthex and in the mobile office/classroom building adjacent to the worship hall.

"We are a welcoming community seeking to share God's unconditional love with all."

Your Vestry Members are:

Senior Warden:	Jack Martin	Junior Warden:	Bill Weatherford
Other Members:	Peter LeViness Richard Walker		Larry Kidd
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>
16-Feb	Kathy Gammon	Wayne Conners	Kathy Gammon, Marian Elam	Richard Walker, Larry Kidd
23-Feb	Richard Walker	MJ Weatherford	Richard Walker, MJ Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
2-Mar	Bill Weatherford	Kathy Gammon	Bill Weatherford, Kathy Gammon	Richard Walker, Larry Kidd

9-Mar	Missy Rand	Larry Kidd	Marian Elam, Susan Kidd	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
16-Mar	MJ Weatherford	Richard Walker	MJ Weatherford, Richard Walker	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
23-Mar	Kathy Gammon	Bill Weatherford	Kathy Gammon, Bill Weatherford	Richard Walker, Larry Kidd
30-Mar	Jack Martin	Kathy Gammon	Jack Martin, Kathy Gammon	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
6-Apr	Larry Kidd	MJ Weatherford	MJ Weatherford, Susan Kidd	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd

~Announcements~

Upcoming Important Dates:

Sunday, February 23	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Friday, February 28	Kindred Spirits	St. Francis	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 2	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Sunday, March 9	Communion Service followed by Pot Luck Lunch	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, March 12	Vestry Meeting	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.

Financial Update - If you have 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>
2013			
2013 Year-To-Date	\$87,743.00	\$87,454.25	\$288.75
Checking Account Balance	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
YTD 2013	\$32,627.98	\$32,916.73	\$288.75
2014			
January	\$2,939.00	\$7,093.86	(\$4,154.86)
February	\$1,512.00	\$1,478.23	\$33.77
March	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
1st Quarter	\$4,451.00	\$8,572.09	(\$4,121.09)
2014 Year-To-Date	\$4,451.00	\$8,572.09	(\$4,121.09)
Checking Account Balance	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
YTD 2014	\$32,916.73	\$28,795.64	(\$4,121.09)

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