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Sunday Worship

July 13, 2014 – 10:00 AM

Fifth 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 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: Beautiful One

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

(Chorus:) 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 marvellous how wonderful You are.

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

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

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 Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

↑Gathering Song #2: 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)*

↑**All:** O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; 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

(55:10-13)

As the rain and the snow come down from heaven, and do not return there until they have watered the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the thing for which I sent it. For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Instead of the thorn shall come up the cypress; instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle; and it shall be to the LORD for a memorial, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

↑Gradual Song: Fairest Lord Jesus

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son, Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling, starry host. Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer, than all the angels heav'n can boast.

↑The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew

(13:1-19, 18-23)

All: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went out of the house and sat beside the sea. Such great crowds gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat there, while the whole crowd stood on the beach. And he told them many things in parables, saying: "Listen! A sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seeds fell on the path, and the birds came and ate them up. Other seeds fell on rocky ground, where they did not have much soil, and they sprang up quickly, since they had no depth of soil. But when the sun rose, they were scorched; and since they had no root, they withered away. Other seeds fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up and choked them. Other seeds fell on good soil and brought forth grain, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Let anyone with ears listen!"

"Hear then the parable of the sower. When anyone hears the word of the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what is sown in the heart; this is what was sown on the path. As for what was sown on rocky ground, this is the one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy; yet such a person has no root, but endures only for a while, and when trouble or persecution arises on account of the word, that person immediately falls away. As for what was sown among thorns, this is the one who hears the word, but the cares of the world and the lure of wealth choke the word, and it yields nothing. But as for what was sown on good soil, this is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields, in one case a hundredfold, in another sixty, and in another thirty."

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Christ.

Sermon (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: On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray for the people he has redeemed. Through Christ, who ever lives to make intercession for us; let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Lift up our hearts to the heavenly places and inspire us to serve you as a royal priesthood; let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let all peoples acknowledge your kingdom and grant on earth the blessing of peace; let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Send down upon us the gift of the Spirit and renew your Church with power from on high; let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: May peace abound and righteousness flourish, that we may vanquish injustice and wrong; let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Help us to proclaim the good news of salvation and grant us the needful gifts of your grace; let us pray to the Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For CD's Barbecue that business would increase in this location, let us pray to The Lord

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For all baptized in their daily life and work that each one would take up the lifestyle of Jesus, let us pray to The Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For all the Boards of Supervisors, Councils, Administrators, and employees of Charles City, Goochland, New Kent, Powhatan, Ashland, Petersburg, and Hopewell, let us pray to The Lord:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader That all families with children in our area would come to know, love, and follow Jesus all the days of their lives; let us pray to the Lord:

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.

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: When I Needed A Saviour (Matt Redman)

Looking back on time, Seeking to remind myself of all Your mercies, I can testify, on every page of life, Your grace just keeps unfolding and unfolding.

You made me fruitful in the land of my suffering, Father. You made me hopeful in the place of no hope; Poured oil of gladness on the wounds of my struggling, and You Poured oil of healing on the depths of my soul.

When I needed a Saviour, You were there, You were there. When I needed a Healer, You were there, You were there. When I needed my Father, You were there, You were there, You are here, You are here.

Ever since the day I looked upon the cross I've realized Your mercy. For every stage of life, sweet and bitter times, Your grace just keeps unfolding, and unfolding.

You made me fruitful in the land of my suffering, Father. You made me hopeful in the place of no hope; Poured oil of gladness on the wounds of my struggling, and You Poured oil of healing on the depths of my soul.

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↑ **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.

All: And also with you.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: 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): 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: 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,

All: 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: 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.

↑**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: God Will Make A Way**

God will make a way; Where there seems to be no way. He works in ways we cannot see; He will make a way for me

He will be my guide; Hold me closely to His side. With love and strength for each new day; He will make a way, He will make a way

By a roadway in the wilderness; He'll lead me. And rivers in the desert will I see; Heaven and Earth will fade but His Word will still remain. And He will do something new today.

↑**Announcements, Prayer Requests, and Dismissal**

Priest: Alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Remember in your prayers:

Valerie and Kyle
Christian Families in Pakistan
Craig and John MacNaughton

Martha Dickinson
Jane, Brian, and Andrew Hahn

Amy Williams
Nola

Your Vestry Members are:

Senior Warden: Jack Martin
Other Members: Larry Kidd
Register: Marian Elam

Junior Warden: Bill Weatherford
Richard Walker
Treasurer: Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalcers for June, July, and early August. 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>Chalicer Names</u>	<u>Greeters/ Ushers</u>
13-Jul	Larry Kidd	MJ Weatherford	Susan Kidd, MJ Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
20-Jul	Bill Weatherford	Jack Martin	Bill Weatherford, Jack Martin	Richard Walker, Larry Kidd
27-Jul	Richard Walker	Kathy Gammon	Richard Walker, Kathy Gammon	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
3-Aug	Jack Martin	Larry Kidd	Jack Martin, Susan Kidd	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd

~Announcements~

Upcoming Important Dates:

Wednesday, July 16	Wednesday Service	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.
Saturday, July 19	Memorial Service for Nancy MacNaughton	St. Francis	2:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 20	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Thursday, July 24	Caritas	Christ Church	4:30 p.m.
Sunday, July 27	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, July 30	Wednesday Service	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>
2014			
1st Quarter	\$21,208.00	\$23,425.59	(\$2,217.59)
April	\$9,136.00	\$6,270.07	\$2,865.93
May	\$6,267.00	\$6,997.81	(\$730.81)
June	<u>\$7,165.00</u>	<u>\$6,818.42</u>	<u>\$346.58</u>
2nd Quarter	\$22,568.00	\$20,086.30	\$2,481.70
July	\$725.00	\$719.10	\$5.90
August	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
September	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
3rd Quarter	\$725.00	\$719.10	\$5.90
2014 Year-To-Date	\$44,501.00	\$44,230.99	\$270.01
Checking Account Balance	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
YTD 2014	\$32,916.73	\$33,186.74	\$270.01

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