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# Sunday Worship

July 6, 2014 – 10:00 AM

**Fourth 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: King of Glory, King of Peace

King of glory, King of peace, I will love Thee; And that love may never ease, I will move Thee. Thou hast granted my request, Thou hast heard me; Thou didst note my working breast, Thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing Thee, and the cream of all my heart I will bring Thee. Though my sins against me cried, Thou alone didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, Thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise Thee; In my heart, though not in Heaven, I can raise Thee. Small it is, in this poor sort to enroll Thee: E'en eternity's too short to extol Thee.

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**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: Holy Is the Lord

Holy is the Lord, Holy is the Lord. As we bow before Your throne, Majesty and honour to You alone, Majesty and honour to You alone.

Worthy are You Lord, Worthy are You Lord, Sweet Lamb of God the Chosen One, Our lives we gladly lay before Your throne, Our lives we gladly lay before Your throne.

No longer will we give our hearts to the things of this world. For a debt of love we will offer to You. We look for the day when every knee will bow. We will join with the angels around Your throne, and we will sing:

Holy is the Lord! Holy is the Lord! Holy is the Lord! Holy is the Lord!

Holy is the Lord, Holy is the Lord. As we bow before Your throne, Majesty and honour to You alone, Majesty and honour to You alone.

Holy is the Lord!

**↑All:** O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**A Reading from Song of Solomon**

(2:8-13)

The voice of my beloved! Look, he comes, leaping upon the mountains, bounding over the hills. My beloved is like a gazelle or a young stag. Look, there he stands behind our wall, gazing in at the windows, looking through the lattice. My beloved speaks and says to me: "Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away; for now the winter is past, the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth; the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land. The fig tree puts forth its figs, and the vines are in blossom; they give forth fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away."

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

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**↑Gradual Song: Be Thou My Vision**

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; all else be nought 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.

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

(11:16-19, 25-30)

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

Jesus said to the crowd, "To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we wailed, and you did not mourn.'

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, 'He has a demon'; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, 'Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds."

At that time Jesus said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

"Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

**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 the Precious One Family Day Home, Simone Mealy, owner, that the business would grow, parents with children would be able to work, and the children would be blessed; let us pray to the Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the Cathedral of the Transfiguration and all those participating in camps at Shrine Mont that Jesus would be continually known, worshipped and obeyed there; let us pray to the Lord:  
**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the governments and governing bodies of Metropolitan Richmond: For the Mayor and City Council of Richmond, the City Manager, and all city employees; 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: Greater Grace

Long ago even before You made the world You chose me through what Christ would do; a greater grace You gave to me; You are the source and Jesus is the means.

Forgiveness, adoption, acceptance is Your grace, and I fall on my face and I yield to You.

↑ **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: Amazing Love**

My Lord what love is this that pays so dearly that I, the guilty one may go free!

*(Chorus:)* Amazing love, O what sacrifice the son of God given for me. My debt He pays and my death He dies, that I might live, that I might live.

And so they watched Him die despised, rejected but Oh, the blood He shed flowed for me.

*(Chorus)*

And now this love of Christ shall flow like rivers; Come wash your guilt away, live again! *(Chorus)*

**↑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: Today is the Day**

I'm casting my cares aside; I'm leaving my past behind; I'm setting my heart and mind on You Jesus. I'm reaching my hand to Yours believing there's so much more, knowing that all You have in store for me is good, it's good.

*(Chorus:)* Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it. Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it. And I won't worry about tomorrow; I'm trusting in what You say. Today is the day. Today is the day.

I'm putting my fears aside. I'm leaving my doubts behind. I'm giving my hopes and dreams to You Jesus. I'm reaching my hands to Yours, believing there's so much more, knowing that all You have in store for me is good, it's good. *(Chorus)*

Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it. Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it. And I won't worry about tomorrow. I'm giving You my fears and sorrows. Where You lead me, I will follow; I'm trusting in what you say.

Today is the day. Today is the day. Today is the day. Today is the day.

**↑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

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 chalice bearers 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>Chalice Names</u>	<u>Greeters/ Ushers</u>
6-Jul	Jack Martin	Larry Kidd	Jack Martin, Susan Kidd	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
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 9	Vestry Meeting	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 13	Communion Service followed by Pot Luck Lunch	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, July 16	Wednesday Service	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, July 20	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.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.

	<b>Operating Funds</b>		<b>Net Gain</b>
	<u>Deposits</u>	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>or (Loss)</u>
<b>2014</b>			
<b>1st Quarter</b>	<b>\$21,208.00</b>	<b>\$23,425.59</b>	<b>(\$2,217.59)</b>
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>\$6,815.42</u>	<u>\$349.58</u>
<b>2nd Quarter</b>	<b>\$22,568.00</b>	<b>\$20,083.30</b>	<b>\$2,484.70</b>
<b>2014 Year-To-Date</b>	<b>\$43,776.00</b>	<b>\$43,508.89</b>	<b>\$267.11</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance</b>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
<b>YTD 2014</b>	\$32,916.73	\$33,183.84	<b>\$267.11</b>

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