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CHURCH

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# Sunday Worship

March 10, 2013 – 10:00 AM

Fourth Sunday of Lent

## The Word of God

Welcome & Quiet Time (↑ indicates when to stand)

Prelude

Call to Worship

↑Gathering Song #1: Shout to the Lord

My Jesus, my Savior, Lord there is none like you. All of my days, I want to praise, the wonders of your mighty love. My comfort, my shelter. Tower of refuge and strength. Let every breath, all that I am, never cease to worship you.

*(Chorus:)* Shout to the Lord. All the earth let us sing, power and majesty, praise to the king. Mountains bow down and the seas will roar at the sound of your name. I sing for joy at the work of your hands. Forever I'll love you, forever I'll stand. Nothing compares to the promise I have in you.

↑Gathering Song #2: The Wonderful Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died; My richest gain I count but loss and pour contempt on all my pride.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did ever such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

*(Chorus:)* Oh, the wonderful cross, oh, the wonderful cross, bids me come and die, and find that I may truly live. Oh, the wonderful cross, oh, the wonderful cross; All who gather here by grace draw near and bless Your name.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small: Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

*(Chorus)*

↑*All:* Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

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

(5:16-21)

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

**Leader:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**↑Song of Praise: To You**

Here I stand, forever in Your might hand, living with Your promise written on my heart.

I am Yours, surrendered wholly to You. You set me in Your family, calling me Your own.

Now I, I belong to You, all I need Your Spirit, Your Word, Your truth, Hear my cry, my deep desire to know You more. In Your name I will lift my hands to the King, this anthem of praise I bring. Heaven knows I long to love You with all I am.

*(Repeat from beginning)*

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

(15:13, 11b-32)

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So Jesus told them this parable:

"There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands."' So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then

the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe--the best one--and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate.

"Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

**Priest:** Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

## 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 for Ourselves and Others

**Leader:** Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

**All:** That we all may be one.

**Leader:** Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

**All:** That your Name may be glorified by all people.

**Leader:** We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

**All:** That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

**Leader:** We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**All:** That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

**Leader:** Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

**All:** That our works may find favor in your sight.

**Leader:** Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

**All:** That they may be delivered from their distress.

**Leader:** Give to the departed eternal rest.

**All:** Let light perpetual shine upon them.

**Leader:** We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**All:** May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

**Leader:** Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Please feel free to add your own petitions either silently or aloud.

**Leader:** Seeking the rightness that comes from you, we pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

**All:** Have mercy on 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 you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you 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:* 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:** Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast.

**Priest:** The gifts of God for the people of God.

*[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: There Is A Redeemer**

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

*(Chorus:)* Thank you, oh, my Father, for giving us Your Son, and leaving your Spirit til the work on earth is done.

Jesus, my Redeemer, Name above all names, precious Lamb of God, Messiah, hope for sinners slain.

*(Chorus)*

When I stand in Glory, I will see His face. There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place. *(Chorus)*

↑**Post-Communion Prayer:** 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: Soon and Very Soon**

Soon and very soon. We are going to see the King.  
Soon and very soon. We are going to see the King.  
Soon and very soon. We are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah. We are going to see the King.

No more crying there. We are going to see the King.  
No more crying there. We are going to see the King.  
No more crying there. We are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah. We are going to see the King.

No more dying there. We are going to see the King.  
No more dying there. We are going to see the King.  
No more dying there. We are going to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah. We are going to see the King.

↑**Announcements, Prayer Requests and Dismissal**

*Priest:* Let us bless the Lord.

*All:* Thanks be to God.

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**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."*

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**Today's guest priest is The Rev. Bill Noe.**

**Your Vestry Members are:**

<b>Senior Warden:</b>	Jack Martin	<b>Junior Warden:</b>	Bill Weatherford
<b>Other Members:</b>	Peter LeViness Ann James		Larry Kidd Wayne Conners
<b>Register:</b>	Marian Elam	<b>Treasurer:</b>	Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalcers for February, March and early April. 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>Service Leaders</u>	<u>Scripture Reader</u>	<u>Prayer Reader</u>	<u>Chalicer Names</u>	<u>Greeters/ Ushers</u>
10-Mar	Rev. Bill Noe	Kathy Gammon	Peter LeViness	Kathy Gammon, Peter LeViness	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
17-Mar	Rev. Doug Burgoyne	Larry Kidd	Bill Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, Susan Kidd	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
24-Mar	Rev. Doug Burgoyne	Wayne Conners	Missy Rand	Ann James, Jack Martin	Paul and Ann James, Susan Kidd
29-Mar 6pm	Rev. Bob Friend	Peter LeViness	Bill Weatherford	Peter LeViness, Bill Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
31-Mar	Rev. Doug Burgoyne	Bill Weatherford	Kathy Gammon	Bill Weatherford, Kathy Gammon	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
7-Apr	Rev. John Maher	Larry Kidd	MJ Weatherford	MJ Weatherford, Susan Kidd	Paul and Ann James, Larry Kidd

## ~Announcements~

### Upcoming Important Dates:

Sunday, March 10	Communion Service (Rev. Bill Noe)	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Friday, March 15	Kindred Spirits	St. Francis	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 17	Communion Service (Rev. Doug Burgoyne)	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Sunday, March 24	Palm Sunday (Rev. Doug Burgoyne)	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, March 27	Caritas	Christ Church	5:00 p.m.
Friday, March 29	Good Friday Service	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.

### Upcoming Community Events

The Centerville Homemaker's Club would like to invite anyone who is interested to join them for their meetings on the second Wednesday of each month held at 10:00 a.m. in the Education Building at St. Matthew's United Methodist Church. If you would like to attend, please call Ann James (784-5632). Upcoming events are:

March 13 - Auction – This is the main fund-raising event for their Community Fund.

### Remember in your prayers:

Chuck Haack	Neale Dickinson	Virginia Burke
Ann	Kathy Spacek's family	John G. Lewis, Jr.
Shirley & Tom Bishop	Laughton Nuckols	Mark Overman
Eric Wilcken's family	Nancy MacNaughton	Lonnie Johnson

**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>2013</b>			
January	\$3,224.00	\$3,532.40	<b>(\$308.40)</b>
February	\$9,956.00	\$10,043.43	<b>(\$87.43)</b>
March	<u>\$3,906.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<b><u>\$3,960.00</u></b>
<b>1st Quarter</b>	<b><u>\$17,140.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$13,575.83</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,564.17</u></b>
<b>2013 Year-To-Date</b>	<b><u>\$17,140.00</u></b>	<b><u>\$13,575.83</u></b>	<b><u>\$3,564.17</u></b>
<b>Checking Account Balance</b>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
<b>YTD 2013</b>	\$32,627.98	\$36,192.15	<b>\$3,564.17</b>

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