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# Sunday Worship

March 23, 2014 – 10:00 AM

Third Sunday in Lent

## 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: Take My Life

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;  
Take my moments and my days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.  
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of Thy love.  
Take my heart, it is Thine own; it shall be my royal throne..

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King.  
Take my intellect, and use every power as Thou shalt choose.  
Take my will and make it Thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

**Priest:** Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

**All:** His mercy endures 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: O Worship The King

O worship the King, all glorious above. O gratefully sing His wonderful love. Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days. Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of His might, O sing of His grace. Whose robe is the light and canopy space. His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form. And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

*(Chorus:)* You alone are the matchless King. To You alone be all majesty. Your glories and wonders, what tongue can recite? You breathe in the air, You shine in the light.

O measureless might, ineffable love. While angels delight to worship above. Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end. Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend. *(Chorus)*

(Repeat Verse 1)

**↑All:** Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; 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 Exodus**

(17:1-7)

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

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

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**↑Gradual Song: Holy and Anointed One**

Jesus, Jesus, Holy and anointed One, Jesus.

Jesus, Jesus, Risen and exalted One, Jesus.

Your name is like honey on my lips, Your Spirit like water to my soul.

Your Word is a lamp unto my feet. Jesus, I love You, I love You.

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

(4:5-42)

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

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband."

Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are

a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

**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:** In penitence and faith let us make our prayer to the Father and ask for his mercy and grace.  
For your holy people, that they may triumph over evil and grow in grace, we pray to you, O Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For candidates for baptism and confirmation, that they may live by every word that proceeds from your mouth, we pray to you, O Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the leaders of the nations, that you will guide them in the ways of mercy and truth, we pray to you, O Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the sick in body, mind and spirit, that they may know your power to heal, we pray to you, O Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the poor in spirit, that they may inherit the kingdom of heaven and see you face to face, we pray to you, O Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For Richard Walker, Home Lending Specialist, that he may help many families grow stronger, especially in the Christian Faith, through home ownership in our area, let us pray to The Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the Diocese of Virginia, that all the baptized of our diocese would walk in the power of your Holy Spirit, , let us pray to The Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** That our fellowship would become one that sees families with children become families on mission in our area, let us pray to The Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** Let us commend the world, for which Christ suffered, to the mercy and protection of God.

**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: To You

Here I stand, forever in Your mighty 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. I belong to You.

*(Repeat from beginning)*

↑ **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 A

**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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever 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 your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Priest:** Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All:** **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

**Priest:** We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sancti-

fy us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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:** Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

**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: You Are Holy**

You are holy, holy, Lord, there is none like you. You are holy, holy, glory to You alone.

*(Chorus:)* I'll sing Your praises forever, deeper in love with You, here in Your courts where I'm close to Your throne I've found where I belong.

You are holy, holy, Lord, there is none like you. You are holy, holy, glory to You alone.

*(Chorus:)*

Here in Your courts where I'm close to Your throne I've found where I belong.

**↑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: 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 e'er 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 off'ring far too small: Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all. *(Chorus)*

## ↑Announcements, Prayer Requests, and Dismissal

**Priest:** Let us bless the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God.

### 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	Andrew.	Nancy
Jill	Clay	Tom
Sam	Jean	David
Valerie & Kyle	Karen	Neale Dickinson

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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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### Your Vestry Members are:

Senior Warden:	Jack Martin	Junior Warden:	Bill Weatherford
Other Members:	Larry Kidd		Richard Walker
Register:	Marian Elam	Treasurer:	Susan Kidd

Below is the schedule for greeters, lay readers and chalicers. 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>Chalicers</u>	<u>Greeters/Ushers</u>
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:

Friday, March 28	Kindred Spirits	St. Francis	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, March 30	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, April 2	Caritas	Christ Church	5:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 6	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, April 9	Vestry Meeting	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.
Friday, April 11	Kindred Spirits	St. Francis	7:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 13	Palm Sunday Service followed by Pot Luck Lunch	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Thursday, April 17	Maundy Thursday Service	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.
Friday, April 18	Good Friday Service	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, April 20	Easter Sunday Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.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>			
January	\$2,914.00	\$8,064.05	<b>(\$5,150.05)</b>
February	\$10,967.00	\$7,394.59	<b>\$3,572.41</b>
March	<u>\$6,486.00</u>	<u>\$3,505.41</u>	<b><u>\$2,980.59</u></b>
<b>1st Quarter</b>	<b>\$20,367.00</b>	<b>\$18,964.05</b>	<b>\$1,402.95</b>
<b>2014 Year-To-Date</b>	<b>\$20,367.00</b>	<b>\$18,964.05</b>	<b>\$1,402.95</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance</b>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
<b>YTD 2014</b>	\$32,916.73	\$34,319.68	<b>\$1,402.95</b>

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