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# Sunday Worship

September 14, 2014 — 10:00 AM

Fourteenth 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: Grace Like Rain

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me. I once was lost, but now I'm found was blind, but now I see.

*(Chorus:)* Hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me. Hallelujah, all my stains are washed away. They're washed away. Hallelujah, grace like rain falls down on me. Hallelujah, all my stains are washed away. They're washed away.

T'was grace that taught my heart to fear and grace my fears relieved. How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

When we've been there ten thousand years bright shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing Your praise than when we first begun.

**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: Good Things Run Wild - John Maher and Daved Terrel

*(Chorus:)* Come to build your house among us with room for every child. Let the doors fly open so that good things run wild. Let every dream you pour upon us spark a flaming fire. Releasing every hope so that good things run wild.

**Verse 1:** Pour into our spirits Your wisdom and power. We need to walk just like You. Let your mercy flow between every heart and soul. We need to love just like You. *(Chorus)*

**Verse 2:** We want You to take our hours and our days. We need to be bearing fruit for You. Take our minds, Capture our thoughts. Let them be in the stream that comes from You. *(Chorus)*

**↑All:** O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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 Romans**

(14:1-12)

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand.

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

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

**All:** Thanks be to God.

**↑Gradual Song: Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah (Hymn # 690)**

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, Pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but Thou art mighty; Hold me with Thy powerful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, Feed me now and evermore. Feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, Whence the healing stream doth flow; Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through. Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, Be Thou still my Strength and Shield; Be Thou still my Strength and Shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, Bid my anxious fears subside; Death of death and hell's destruction, Land me safe on Canaan's side. Songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee; I will ever give to Thee.

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

(18:21-35)

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

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay

you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

**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 Sun Trust Bank, that the customer base would grow, the economy would increase, and households in our area would be able to finance the dreams God has given to them; let us pray to The Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For the congregations and clergy of Our Redeemer, Aldie; Emmanuel, Middleburg; St. Paul's-on-the-Hill, Winchester; Christ Church, Winchester; Christ Church Gordonsville; and St. Thomas's, Orange that they would continually walk in the power of the Spirit: let us pray to The Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For schools and educational institutions in Metropolitan Richmond: For all public schools; for students, teacher and support personnel, including cafeteria workers, building and grounds staff, and school bus drivers; for all private and religious schools, pre-schools and daycare centers, and for children in home schools; let us pray to The Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** For All Souls, Atlee, Amilee Wilmer, vicar, and St. Gabriel's Leesburg, Daniel Velez-Rivera, vicar, that each would be filled with power to accomplish the ministry Jesus has given to them; let us pray to The Lord:

**All:** Hear our prayer.

**Leader:** That leaders whose calling is to bring the gospel to whole families with young children may be added to our fellowship; 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: 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.

↑ **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.

**People:** And also with you.

**Priest:** Lift up your hearts.

**People:** We lift them to the Lord.

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

**People:** 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 for ever 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 his glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

**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,

**People:** We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

**Priest:** And we offer our 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: 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: God of Wonders**

Lord of all creation, of water, earth and sky, the heavens are your tabernacle; glory to the Lord on high.

*(Chorus:)* God of Wonders beyond our galaxy, you are holy, holy; the universe declares your majesty. You are holy, holy; Lord of heaven and earth, Lord of heaven and earth.

Early in the morning I will celebrate the light. When I stumble in the darkness, I will call your name by night.

*(Chorus)*

Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth. Hallelujah, to the Lord of heaven and earth. Hallelujah to the Lord of heaven and earth. *(Chorus)*

**↑ 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 the Middle East  
Craig and John MacNaughton

Martha Dickinson  
Jane, Brian, and Andrew Hahn  
Nina and Sophie

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 August, September, and early October. 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>
14-Sep	Jack Martin	Larry Kidd	Jack Martin, Susan Kidd	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
21-Sep	Bill Weatherford	MJ Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, MJ Weatherford	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd
28-Sep	Larry Kidd	Jack Martin	Jack Martin, Susan Kidd	Richard Walker, Larry Kidd
5-Oct	Richard Walker	Kathy Gammon	Richard Walker, Kathy Gammon	John and Libby Clark

# ~Announcements~

## Upcoming Important Dates:

Sunday, September 14	Communion Service followed by Pot Luck Lunch	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, September 17	Wednesday Service	St. Francis	6:00 p.m.
Sunday, September 21	Communion Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, September 24	Dance Performance	St. Francis	7:30 p.m.
Saturday, September 27	Yard and Building Clean Up/Work Day	St. Francis	

## Wednesday Mid-Week Services

We are continuing with the mid-week services on the first and third Wednesdays with a new discussion series led by Carol Maher: More With Jesus In Matthew. Here is the schedule:

September 17, 2014	Matthew 9:9-13
October 1, 2014	Matthew 10:1-10
October 15, 2014	Matthew 12:1-14
November 5, 2014	Matthew 14:25-32

**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>
<b>2nd Quarter</b>	<b>\$22,568.00</b>	<b>\$20,086.30</b>	<b>\$2,481.70</b>
July	\$6,440.50	\$7,497.91	<b>(\$1,057.41)</b>
August	\$6,713.00	\$6,572.20	<b>\$140.80</b>
September	<u>\$835.00</u>	<u>\$1,032.41</u>	<b>(\$197.41)</b>
<b>3rd Quarter</b>	<b>\$13,988.50</b>	<b>\$15,102.52</b>	<b>(\$1,114.02)</b>
<b>2014 Year-To-Date</b>	<b>\$57,764.50</b>	<b>\$58,614.41</b>	<b>(\$849.91)</b>
<b>Checking Account Balance</b>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>	
<b>YTD 2014</b>	\$32,916.73	\$32,066.82	<b>(\$849.91)</b>

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