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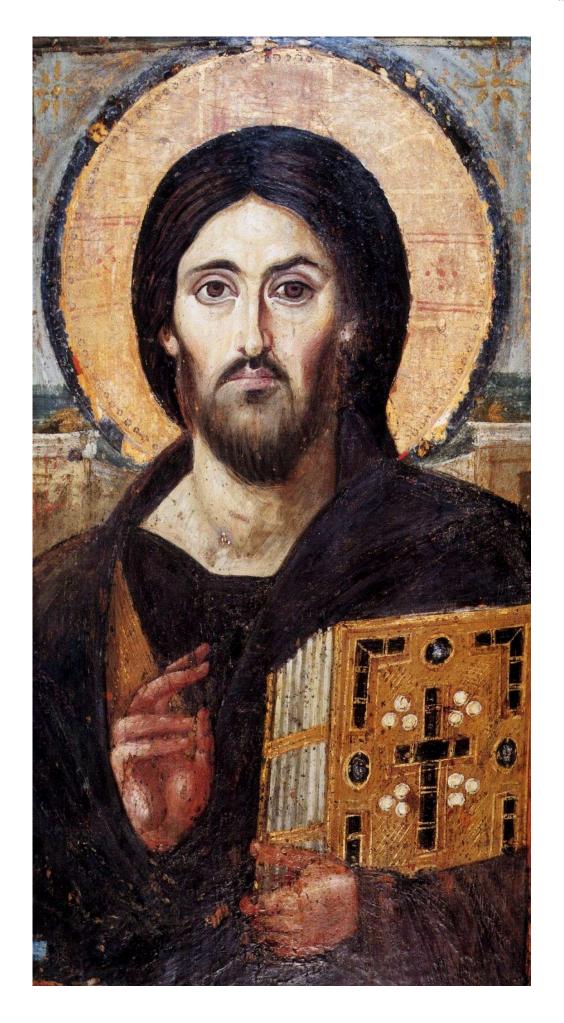
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What's On Your Mind?

Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus . . . Philippians 2:5

Speaking Your Mind

What is on your mind? That would include more than your thoughts and observations. It would also include your emotions and your will. What you feel, how you react, the choices you make, the way you express them are all a part of speaking you mind. One of the primary ways your mind is formed is through your relationships. The way you were raised, the mentors you have had in your life, the significant friendships you have enjoyed all form your mind. Your heart is formed by this as well and you speak out of your heart. One of the most obvious signs of how you follow Jesus is how you speak your mind.

Better Together

Notice in the above verse that Paul tells us there is a mind we have among ourselves. This is not just a "group mind," or "sense of the whole," or "mob psychology." It has more to do with sharing a rhythm of life with others in which together you learn what it is to follow Jesus. It is finding ways to encourage each other, worship together, and serve others together all because we have been given the same heart and motivation from Jesus in the first place. What are some of the ways you are practicing a shared rhythm with others which encourages all involved to follow Jesus more closely?

Coming Attractions

Sunday, September 28, 2014 worship at 10:00am

Wednesday, October 1, 2014 worship at 6:00pm

Saturday, October 4, 2014 blessing of the animals at MyManakin Market at 10:00am

Sunday October 5, 2014 worship at 10:00am

St. Francis is providing dinner for volunteer doctors and staff at the Goochland Free Clinic on October 21st. Would consider helping with food and/or delivery? See Larry Kidd for details and to volunteer.

St. Francis is hosting a Business After Hours event through the Goochland Chamber of commerce. Would you volunteer to help with that event? Food and hospitality are needed. Please see Libby Clark to volunteer.

A New Directory for St. Fancis is being developed. Please check your entry after worship on Sunday.

Centerville Circle of Prayer

For the Veterinary Clinic and Critical Care, Dr. Sharon Clare, Veterinarian, that the emergency care would be effective and the quality of life in our community would continually improve.

Diocese of Virginia

For the congregations and clergy of Emmanuel, Harrisonburg, Emmanuel, Greenwood, and McIllhany Parish, Albemarle that each would continually walk in the power of the Holy Spirit.

For All Souls, Atlee, Amilee Wilmer, Vicar, and for St. Gabriel's, Leesburg, Daniel Velea-Rivera, Vicar, that they would prosper in every ministry to which you have called them.

Metropolitan Richmond

For schools and educational institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: For all universities, colleges, seminaries, trade, technical, graduate, and professional schools; for students, faculty, and staff of the institutions.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our discussion of our core values this past Sunday!! It was a very fruitful time together. Grace and Peace,

John Maher

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