

Sunday Worship

April 17, 2016 – 10:00 AM

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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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, and come to the Table for communion. You are invited to stay for refreshments after the service.

*Gathering Song: Great Are Your Works

Your works, Lord, (Your works, Lord) are awesome (are awesome), Your power (your power) is great. Your works, Lord, (Your works, Lord) are awesome (are awesome), Your power (your power) is great.

(Chorus:) Great are Your works, Lord. Great are Your deeds; awesome in power, so awesome to me.

You will reign, (You will reign) forever (forever) in power (in power), You will reign. You will reign (You will reign) forever (forever) in power (in power), You will reign. *(Chorus)*

Because of (because of) Your greatness (Your greatness) all the earth (all the earth) will sing. Because of (because of) Your greatness (Your greatness) all the earth (all the earth) will sing. *(Chorus)*

Priest: Alleluia! Christ is risen.

All: The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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**.

*Song of Praise: Awesome God

Your voice is the voice that commanded the universe to be. Your voice is the voice that is speaking words of love to me. How can it be?

(Chorus:) Awesome God, Holy God, I worship You in wonder. Awesome God, Holy God, as You draw near I'm humbled.

By Your majesty and the mystery of Your great love for me.

Your arms are the arms that hung shining stars in deepest space. Your arms are the arms that surround me in a warm embrace. Amazing grace.

(Chorus twice)

By Your majesty and the mystery of Your great love for me.

**All*: O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Reading from Acts

(9:36-43)

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

*Gradual Song: Knocking On The Door Of Heaven

We will give ourselves no rest 'till Your Kingdom comes on earth; We've positioned watchmen on the wall. Now our prayers will flow like tears, for You've shared Your heart with us. God of Heaven, on our knees we fall.

Come down in power, reveal Your heart again. Come hear our cries, the tears that plead for rain.

We're knocking, knocking on the door of heaven. We're crying, crying for this generation. We're praying for Your Name to be known in all of the earth. We're watching, watching on the walls to see You. We're looking, looking for a time of breakthrough. We're praying for Your Word to bear fruit in all of the earth, all of the earth.

*The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to John (21:1-19) *All:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

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 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. That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That all people may receive the good news of his victory:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection:All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ, especially_____:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That in the undying love of Christ we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ:All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That Your Church may be a witness to Your resurrection throughout the world as well as here at home:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That our bishops, Michael, Shannon, Susan, and Ted may be witnesses to Your resurrection in everything they do:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That those whose calling and gifting is to bring the gospel to families with young children would be added to our fellowship:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For Emmanuel, Delaplane; Trinity, Upperville; St. George's, Fredericksburg; St. Andrew's, Richmond; St. Thomas, Richmond; All Souls, Atlee; and St. Gabriel's, Leesburg that each would walk in the power of the Holy Spirit:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: That all who serve our communities, especially sheriff's deputies, firefighters, EMT's, and military personnel and veterans have Your peace, wisdom, and protection:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: For the James River Capital Corporation that employees would serve the clients with wisdom and diligence:

All: Hear our prayer.

Leader: Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead, to the mercy and protection of God.

All: To You, O Lord, our God.

Priest: O God, you manifest in your servants the signs of your presence: Send forth upon us the Spirit of love, that in companionship with one another your abounding grace may increase among us: 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: Fools For Christ

The foolish things in this world's eyes are the things You call us to do. The purest gold and richest prize are in the life that flows from You.

(Chorus:) We are Fools for Christ from now on as we follow after You. We are Fools for Christ who seek your mind for everything we do.

We'll forgive the ones who cause us pain because we are forgiven and look for Your will to be done on earth as it is in heaven. *(Chorus)*

(Bridge:) Let Your power fill our senses and Your wisdom fill our minds. Let your love pour out around us and your mercy lead our steps throughout our lives.

We will look for tomorrow's bread to break in on us today for healing that You provide and your mercy along the way. *(Chorus)*

*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

Priest: Christ is risen!

All: Christ is risen indeed.

Priest: Lift your hearts to heaven.

- *All:* We lift them to the Lord.
- Priest: Let us give thanks to God.
- *All:* 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): Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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:

All: 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.

All: Called to follow Christ, help us to reconcile and unite. Called to suffer, give us hope in our calling.

Priest: For you, the heavenly one, make all things new; you are the beginning and the end, the last and the first.

All: 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: Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

- All: 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 chalicer 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: The Father's Song

I have heard so many songs, listened to a thousand tongues, but there is one that sounds above them all. The Father's song, the Father's love. You sung it over me and for eternity it's written on my heart.

(Chorus:) Heaven's perfect melody, the Creator's symphony. You are singing over me, the Father's song. Heaven's perfect mystery. The King of love has sent for me and now you're singing over me, the Father's song.

*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: 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!

Priest: Alleluia. Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Remember in your prayers:

Larry Kidd (Jr. & Sr.) The Symphony Retirement Community John Madden Graham Family Pat Martin Allie & Jenny Morris Bill Morgan and family Pete LeViness and family Rachel Pisarz Joseph Moore Carl Burton

Your Vestry Members are:

Senior Warden: Other Members:	Jack Martin Larry Kidd Michie Lloyd	Junior Warden:	Richard Walker Libby Clark
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.

Worship Service Date	Scripture Reader	Prayer Reader	Chalicers	Greeters/Ushers
Apr 17	Richard Walker	Rick Lloyd	Richard Walker, Rick Lloyd	John and Libby Clark, Gage Haack
Apr 24	Larry Kidd	Bill Weatherford	Susan Kidd, Bill Weatherford	Michie and Rick Lloyd, Larry Kidd
May 1	MJ Weatherford	Bobbie LeViness	MJ Weatherford, Marian Elam	Bill Weatherford, Gage Haack
May 8	Rick Lloyd	Richard Walker	Rick Lloyd, Richard Walker	John and Libby Clark, Larry Kidd
May 15	Bobbie LeViness	MJ Weatherford	Marian Elam, MJ Weatherford	Richard Walker, Larry Kidd
May 22	Bill Weatherford	Jack Martin	Bill Weatherford, Jack Martin	Michie and Rick Lloyd, Larry Kidd
May 29	Richard Walker	Larry Kidd	Richard Walker, Susan Kidd	Gage Haack, Larry Kidd
Jun 5	MJ Weatherford	Rick Lloyd	MJ Weatherford, Rick Lloyd	Bill Weatherford, Larry Kidd

Upcoming Important Dates:

Sunday, April 24	Worship Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.
Saturday, April 30	Yard Sale	St. Francis	8:00 - 12:00
Sunday, May 1	Worship Service	St. Francis	10:00 a.m.

Food Collection for the Goochland Free Clinic and Family Services Food Pantry every Sunday. Please continue to bring non-perishable food to donate. The Food Pantry takes pet food and will accept open bags. Please place your donation in the box provided in the vestibule.

St. Francis Yard Sale, April 30, 8:00 – **12:00** - St. Francis will rent spaces to vendors for \$15 per space. Vendors will provide their own tents, tables, and chairs. For more information, please contact Libby Clark: lcp@libbyclarkphotography.com

Our Missional Communities:

Caregivers' Support Group will meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Hedy Walker. Contact Hedy at <u>richardandhedy@yahoo.com</u> or Susan Kidd at sokidd@comcast.net.

Theology on Tap will meet on the second Wednesday of each month at Keegan's at 6:30 p.m. Contact Richard Walker at richardandhedy@yahoo.com.

Symphony will meet at Symphony Assisted Living on April 24, at 9:00 a.m. Contact Bobbie LeViness at <u>bobbiedrew@yahoo.com</u>.

The Garden: This winter we doubled the size of The Garden and will plant a variety of vegetables in the new half of the plot. We will not have a large yield from any of these vegetables, but we will learn which ones grow well and could be potential future crops. On March 31, we planted five rows of collards that should be ready for harvest in May or June. The seeds are already coming up.

A flyer with garden information is posted at the Goochland Food Pantry with an invitation to all who would like to help. The Garden also has its own business cards and email address. If you are interested in being on the mailing list for The Garden, make contact by going to <u>thegarden1484@gmail.com</u> and ask to be put on the mailing list.

Financial Update—If there are any questions about any of this data, please don't hesitate to ask your treasurer, Susan Kidd.

	Operating F	Net Gain	
	Deposits	Expenses	or (Loss)
2016			
January	\$3,135.00	\$7,168.92	(\$4,033.92)
February	\$10,107.00	\$8,165.44	\$1,941.56
March	<u>\$7,538.00</u>	<u>\$7,311.29</u>	<u>\$226.71</u>
1st Quarter	\$20,780.00	\$22,645.65	(\$1,865.65)
April	\$4,827.00	\$4,339.86	\$487.14
May	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
June	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
2nd Quarter	\$4,827.00	\$4,339.86	\$487.14
2016 Year-To-Date	\$25,607.00	\$26,985.51	(\$1,378.51)
Checking Account Balance	Beginning	Ending	
YTD 2016	\$24,421.33	\$23,042.82	(\$1,378.51)

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