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April 13, 2016

### **Trust**

. . . in him all things hold together . . .

## Colossians 1:17

#### **Trust**

The photo above is a great illustration of trust (thanks to Carl Nelson for originally sharing it). It demonstrates one man's trust in a new bullet proof vest as well as perhaps even greater trust in his friend. That kind of trust is very strong and very challenging. The man being fired upon in this photo needs to possess unshakeable knowledge that the vest will work and his friend will aim straight. "Blind faith" will just not do in this case. In order to trust there must be something trustworthy.

### Living By Faith=Trust

It is easy to believe that living by faith is measured by sinning less and less. There really is a different way to measure successfully living by faith. It is measured, so to speak, by how much trust increases. If I trust God more today than yesterday then I am living in the faith of Christ. What I need to do to get there is to live in a rhythm that puts me in a position to grow in my trust towards God. This rhythm of Jesus' life- worshipping God, maintaining relationships with his disciples, and serving the world- puts us in a rhythm of life that increases our trust in God. That rhythm helps us know that Jesus holds all things together. Living that way puts us in the place of seeing Jesus provide and lead no matter what else the world may throw at us. That is a far different kind of life than trying to keep from sinning all the time. The Spirit of God at work in us provides the ability to trust in God. He will always make a way.

## **Coming Attractions**

### Wednesday, April 13, 2016

Vestry Committee 4:00pm
Theology on Tap 6:00pm at Keegan's contact
Richard at richard@hedy@yahoo.com
Caregiver's Support Group 7:00pm at Walker's
contact Susan at sokidd@comcast.com

**Sunday, April 17, 2016** worship at 10:00am

*Please bring nonperishable food to worshp* for distribution to the Food Pantry of the Goochland Free Clinic and Family Services

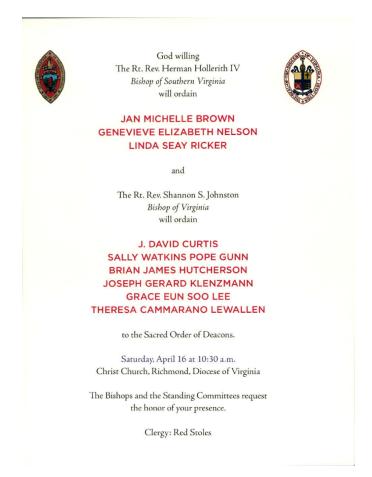
#### From The Garden

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 <a href="mailto:thegarden1484@gmail.com">thegarden1484@gmail.com</a> and ask to be put on the mailing list.



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

### Diocese of Virginia

For Emmanuel, Delaplane; Trinity, Upperville; St. George's, Fredericksburg; St. Andrew's, Richomnd; St. Thomas, Richmond that each would walk in the power of the Holy Spirit

Grace and Peace,

John Maher

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