



*But I say to you that listen:*

**LOVE**

*your enemies,*

**DO GOOD**

*to those who hate you,*

**PRAY**

*for those who abuse you.*

LUKE 6:27-28



*First Christian Church, Falls Church  
Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)*

*August 14, 2016*

*\*Please stand as you are able.*

**Prelude**

***Reverie, Op. 3***

William Joel

Laurie Bunn, guest pianist

**\*Call to Worship**

Cathy Brooks

Leader: You who are poor, why have you come?

**People: To hear good news.**

Leader: You who are brokenhearted, why have you come?

**People: To have our hearts healed.**

Leader: You who are captive, why have you come?

**People: To hear words of freedom.**

Leader: You who are prisoners, why have you come?

**People: To be released from what binds us.**

Leader: You who mourn, why have you come?

**People: To receive comfort.**

Leader: Then you are welcome here in this place,  
where Jesus offers blessing for all.

**All: Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Praise**

***I Love to Tell the Story***

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**\*Opening Prayer and Words of Welcome**

Rev. Dick Brooks

*If you are visiting with us, please sign the red friendship pads that we may know you better.*

**Witness of Scripture**

***Matthew 5:1-12***

Cathy Brooks

## Children's Moment

Mary Wurl

*Carol Choir will not rehearse today.  
Children are asked to remain in the sanctuary with their families.*

## A Time of Prayer

Joys and Concerns

Rev. Dick Brooks

Pastoral Prayer followed by The Lord's Prayer (*unison*)

Phil Gilliland

*Our Father (Creator God), 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, forever. Amen.*

## Special Music

***If I Give My Soul***

Billy Joe Shaver

Dave Findley, guitar

## Witness of Scripture

***Luke 6:17-36***

Mary Wurl

## Meditation

***This or That?***

Mary Wurl

## Hymn of Preparation

***Here at Thy Table***

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## Celebrating around the Lord's Table

Invitation to Communion

Cher Cunningham, Elder

Prayer of Blessing for the Bread and Cup

Sarah Vandruff, Elder

Words of Institution

Partaking of the Bread and Cup

*Welcome to this Table of Grace where the living Christ meets us in love. All are invited to share in this sacred meal. Please come forward, beginning from the front pews or as you feel called, to receive the bread and dip it in the cup. If you prefer to remain seated, a deacon will serve you. We use non-alcoholic, gluten-free, vegetarian elements.*

## Gathering of the Offering

Cher Cunningham

**Offertory**

**Chaconne**

August Durand

**\* Doxology**

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*Accept, O God, the gifts we bring of spirit and of clay,  
transform them into blessings on those we serve today.  
Rekindle deep within us all a passion to fulfill  
the ministry disciples have, empower'd to do your will.*

**\* Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Sarah Vandruff

**Sharing in the Life of the Church**

Bob McCoy, Moderator

**\* Hymn of Discipleship**

***They'll Know We Are Christians***

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*(Would you like to commit yourself to following in the path of Christ? Would you like to live that commitment here at First Christian Church? Persons desiring to make their confession of faith in Christ and be baptized into His body, or to transfer their membership to this congregation, or to renew their Christian commitment, may come forward as the congregation sings this hymn of discipleship.)*

**\* Benediction**

Mary Wurl

**Postlude**

***Sunday***

Art Tatum

*Following worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall for Coffee & Conversation.*

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