



**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
WORSHIP SERVICE**

**11:00 AM JANUARY 21, 2018**

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# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Gathering Chime

**Prelude**

*Andante in F Major*

Guilmant

## Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the Welcome Book and pass it to your neighbor.)

**Introit**

*O Be Joyful in the Lord*

Hopson

## \*Call to Worship

(\* Please stand as you are able.)

One: The call of Christ compels us;

**All: We join with Christ who laid down his life for us.**

One: The love of our neighbor compels us;

**All: We join with one another on the journey of faith.**

One: The needs of the world compel us;

**All: We join with our community in serving one another.**

One: Almighty God, who made us all, compels us;

**All: We join in the work of God in this world.**

**Come, let us join with Christ who calls us  
to follow him.**

**\*Hymn**

*Let Us With A Gladsome Mind*

No. 31

## \*Call to Confession

## \*Prayer of Confession

**All: Spirit of Life, we confess that we don't want to listen. We want to follow our own way and lead lives of relative comfort and security. Move us out of our comfort zone to a place of compassion and empathy. Move us away from our own fears so that we can work into the ways of justice for all. Call us into Your ministry of love, restoration, justice and peace. In the name of Jesus the Christ we pray.**

*Silent Confession*

**\*Response**

*Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying*



Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren pray - ing. Lord, send your



Spir - it in this place. Lord, lis-ten to your chil-dren



pray - ing. Send us love; send us power; send us grace.

**\*Declaration of Pardon**

**\*Response**

*Let Us With A Gladsome Mind*

No. 31

***Let us with a gladsome mind  
praise the Lord who is so kind:  
for God's mercies shall endure,  
ever faithful, ever sure.***

**\*Sharing the Peace**

One: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you,

**All: and also with you.**

One: Let us share that peace with one another.

## **Prayer for Illumination**

### **Gospel Reading**

*Mark 1:14-20*

NT, p. 35

One: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

### **Old Testament Reading**

*Jonah 3:1-5, 10*

OT, pp. 860, 861

### **Sermon**

*The Reluctant Prophet*

Mitzi Leshner-Thomas

### **\*Hymn**

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*

No. 435

## **Time with Our Children**

### **Reception and Welcome of New Members**

#### **Apostles' Creed (Ecumenical)**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



**\*Response**

*We Will Go Out With Joy*

No. 539

C F/C C G7 C

*Leader*

We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.

C F/C C C/G G7 C

*All* *Fine*

We will go out with joy in the Spir-it; we will go out with God.

*Refrain* F#sus2 C F G C

Al - le - lu - ia! We will go out with joy.

F#sus2 C E#sus2 Dm7 G#sus G

*to Stanzas*

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

**\*Postlude**

*Te Deum*

Charpentier

**Today's Service Participants (11:00)**

**Minister:** Rev. Mitzi Leshner-Thomas

**Director of Music:** Ed Yasick

**Choir:** Chancel Choir

**Acolyte:** Mariella Derwart

**Lay Reader:** LeNelle Patrick

**Bus Driver:** Wayne Honeycutt

**Sound:** Craig and Kathryn Anderson

**Counters:** Camille Lambe and Louis Lambe

After worship, the Officer of the Day will be available  
at the Chancel steps to answer any questions  
for visitors and CPC members.  
Today's Officer of the Day (11:00): Al Hardie

## Announcements and Opportunities

**Registration time for Cary Presbyterian Preschool is coming soon!** We will hold registration for church members January 31 and for the community on February 1. If you are interested or know someone that might be, please contact Angie Keith at 919-469-2229 or [angie.keith@carypresbyterian.org](mailto:angie.keith@carypresbyterian.org) to hear all about our fantastic preschool! We can even schedule a tour for Sunday!

**CPC Men's Breakfast: Saturday, January 20, 8:00 to 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** Jay Stott will speak about Purpose Driven Baseball. "The mission of Purpose Driven Baseball is to equip and train young men not only for the sport of baseball but more importantly for LIFE with Purpose. We feel that our purpose in life is rooted in, established by and sustained through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ."

**The Page Turners will meet Monday, January 22 at 7:00 p.m.** in the church parlor. We will discuss the book *A Gentleman In Moscow* by Amor Towles. New members are always welcome! Questions, contact Colleen Hann at [colleenhann@nc.rr.com](mailto:colleenhann@nc.rr.com) or Lisa Ward at [lpward58@gmail.com](mailto:lpward58@gmail.com).

**Triple F Group will meet at IHOP on Kildaire Farm Road for brunch at 9:30 a.m. on January 22 and February 19, 2018.** We hope to visit the Duke Lemur Center in the spring. This nondenominational group is open to all retired folks. Come join us!

Cool Books Club will meet February 6 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Peg Giesbrecht. We will discuss [Not in God's Name: Confronting Religious Violence](#) by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks, who contends that if religion is perceived to be part of the problem of violence, then it should be part of the solution. If you would like to join our discussion, contact Peg Giesbrecht at 919-859-3951 or Ellen Cline at 919-469-1456.

**SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE DINNER will be February 13 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.** Tickets available at the door that evening: \$4.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children ages 2 to 12, under 2 free, \$15 maximum cost per family. Donations assist CPC mission work in Guatemala. Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, cooking, serving, and clean-up. If you can help, please contact Kim Markham at [markhamk@nc.rr.com](mailto:markhamk@nc.rr.com) or go to SignUpGenius at <https://tinyurl.com/y83eu2gu> Join us for an enjoyable family evening!

**CPC Congregational Meeting and Lunch, January 28**  
The Session has called a Congregational Meeting and Lunch for Sunday, January 28 following worship in the Fellowship Hall for the purpose of hearing the annual report and budget, electing the Nominating Committee and hearing from the Transition Team.

## **Faith Formation News**

**The Christian Faith Formation Team (formerly known as Christian Education) will hold its annual planning meeting on Saturday, January 27 at 9:30 a.m. (not on January 8 as listed in this week's E-link calendar). We are looking for additional team members for the year—especially men! Please talk to Medora Hix to find out more about our work, and join us!**

### **For Adults:**

**Faith and Family**, a new class focused on developing faith in families, is being formed. The class is designed so people may come in and out without judgment or fear of missing out! Subjects include parenting topics, Bible study, faith at home and in the world, personal growth, and more. Come as you are, and come as you are able. The class will meet in Room 100, downstairs.

**Faith TODAY** (Moving to Room 102, downstairs)

**Jan. 21:** *Half Truths: God Helps Those Who Help Themselves* – Jerry Slaymaker  
Simple but seemingly profound, many phrases abound that sound like something you'd find in the Bible - but aren't. The study compares a common Christian saying with the wisdom in Scripture, this time with the most common statement, one which is loaded with a particular understanding of theology.

**The Presbyterian Women of New Hope Presbytery are currently accepting applications for scholarships to be awarded for the 2018 - 2019 school year.**

Applicants must live in the Presbytery and be a member of a New Hope Presbytery church. Deadline for submission of a complete application packet is March 1, 2018. Questions about the scholarship or application process can be directed to Karen Lovering at [KRNMC3@bellsouth.net](mailto:KRNMC3@bellsouth.net).

## **New Youth Fellowship Coordinator Named!**

The Session is pleased to introduce the Reverend Alan Bancroft as CPC's part-time Youth Fellowship Coordinator! Thanks to the search committee, Emma Anderson, Betsy Bowdish, Reed Boswell, Summer Bohm, Renee Clark, and Louis Lambe for their faithful service! Alan will begin working with us in mid-February and will be working 20 hours/week. We look forward to formally introducing him at our Congregational Meeting immediately following 11 a.m. worship on January 28th. Join us in welcoming Alan to our church family!



*Mission trips, retreats, Bible studies, coffeehouse conversations, energizers, prayer circles, and spirituality centers are just a few of the reasons I love serving in youth ministry. It brings me great joy to partner with youth and adults to provide opportunities for biblical engagement, spiritual reflection, transformational mission, and meaningful fellowship. I look forward to being a part of the team at Cary Presbyterian Church where folks of all ages gather to worship God and make their best effort to love God and love neighbor.*

**-Rev. Alan Bancroft**

### **About Alan:**

Alan is an ordained Teaching Elder in the Presbyterian Church (USA) with 10 years of pastoral experience including Youth, Campus, and Transitional ministries. Most recently, he served Discovery Church in Clayton, NC as interim pastor. He has been a campus minister for UKirk Nashville, the Presbyterian Campus Ministry serving Vanderbilt University and Belmont University, and associate pastor for youth and families at Harpeth Presbyterian Church in Brentwood, Tennessee. Alan is a graduate of Columbia Theological Seminary.

Alan, his wife Gracyn, and their son Michael recently moved to Cary.



### **Church Staff**

The Rev. Lori Pistor, Interim Pastor  
The Rev. Mitzi Leshner-Thomas, Associate Pastor  
Medora B. Hix, Director of Christian Education  
Angie H. Keith, Director of Preschool  
Edward T. Yasick, Director of Music  
Barbara S. Carew, Finance Manager  
Mandy L. Nester, Parish Nurse  
Ron A. Norris, Building and Grounds Manager  
Phil Melton, Communications and Office Manager

### **CPC Elders**

#### ***Class of 2017***

Al Hardie  
Su Johnson  
Brandon Keith  
Boyce Oglesby  
Conniesue Oldham  
Kecia Simmons  
Tom Van Scoyoc

#### ***Class of 2018***

Rhonda Carlile  
Jeff Clark  
Wendy Czika  
Scott Patrick  
Jerry Slaymaker  
Cathy Williams

#### ***Class of 2019***

Matt Donkin  
Henry Gibbs  
Julie Henry  
Scott Peoples  
Peggy Viser

### **CPC Deacons**

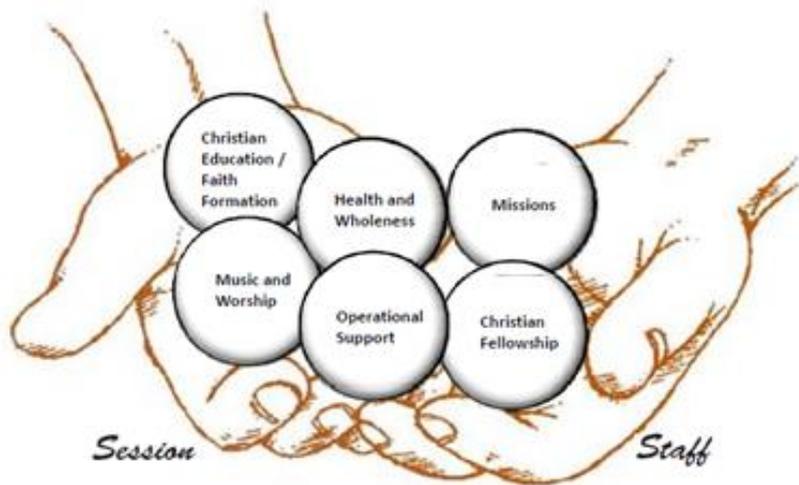
#### ***Class of 2017***

Todd Crouse  
Teresa Amentt Jennings  
Kim Riffle  
Janet Robinette  
Tom Stuart

#### ***Class of 2018***

Anne Margaret Bartholomew  
Hal Drumheller  
Peg Giesbrecht  
Kevin Steidinger

## *Cary Presbyterian Ministry Areas*



## *CPC Ministry Area Committees & Teams*

### *Christian Faith Formation*

Visitors & New Members  
 Adult Education  
 Spiritual Practices  
 Youth Classes  
 Confirmation  
 Children in Worship  
 Milestones  
 Vacation Bible School  
 Library  
 Social Justice

### *Music & Worship*

Communion  
 Chancel Guild  
 Choirs  
 Acolytes  
 Ushers  
 Lay Readers  
 Columbarium  
 Sound Team

### *Health & Wholeness*

Parish Nurse  
 Deacons  
 Stephen Ministry  
 Prayer Shawl  
 Blood Drive  
 Cancer Companions  
 Pastoral Care Team  
 Partnering Ministries

### *Operations*

Personnel & Administration  
 Budget & Finance  
 Generosity Team  
 Building & Grounds  
 Communications  
 Transportation  
 Information Technology  
 Nominating  
 Counting  
 Insurance

### *Missions*

Preschool  
 Local Missions  
 World Missions  
 Appalachia Service Project  
 Guatemala  
 Memorials & Endowments  
 Food, Friends and Fun  
 Fair Trade Coffee

### *Fellowship*

Congregational Fellowship  
 Youth Groups  
 Presbyterian Women  
 Presbyterian Men  
 Triple F  
 Scouting  
 Connections  
 Book Groups  
 Softball Teams  
 Ties that Bind



## 2018 Offering Envelopes Available

2018 offering envelopes are available for pickup in the Narthex this Sunday and for the first few Sundays in 2018. If you would like envelopes and do not see your name on a box, please send your request to [barbara.carew@carypresbyterian.org](mailto:barbara.carew@carypresbyterian.org) or call the church office at 919-467-8700.

### THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

<b>Sunday, January 21</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b> <b>9:45 a.m.</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> 5:15 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	<b>Worship Service</b> <b>Sunday School</b> <b>Worship Service</b> Youth Choir Rehearsal SH Youth Group – Bridge to Life MS Youth Group – No Sunday Meeting
<b>Monday, January 22</b>	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Pastoral Care Team (Office) Staff Meeting (Office) Session Meeting (FH) Page Turners Book Club (P)
<b>Tuesday, January 23</b>	10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Connections Book Group (P) Boy Scouts Troop 232 (Rms. 101, 103, 105) Strength, Hope, and Healing (L)
<b>Wednesday, January 24</b>	6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Coping Creatively with Cancer (L) YAF Meeting (Rm. 103) Choir Practice (Choir Room)
<b>Thursday, January 25</b>		No Activities Scheduled
<b>Friday, January 26</b>	9:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer Group (P)
<b>Saturday, January 27</b>	9:30 a.m.	Christian Faith Formation Annual Planning Meeting (106)
<b>Sunday, January 28</b>	<b>9:45 a.m.</b> <b>11:00 a.m.</b> <b>12:00 p.m.</b> 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m.  6:00 p.m.	<b>Sunday School</b> <b>All Together Worship Service</b> <b>Congregational Meeting and Lunch (FH)</b> SH Youth Group – Bridge to Lite – Part 2 MS Youth Group (Middle School Room) Valentine Event Planning CA Youth Group – Homeless Service Project (FH)



*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Ellen Govert to the glory of God and in loving memory of Gary Govert.*