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WORSHIP SERVICE
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“The thing which breaks your heart is perhaps
the very thing God wishes to do through you
to move God’s mission forward.” —Andy Stanley

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Chime

Prelude

Be Thou My Vision

Raney

Welcome

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

Introit

In This Place

Besig

Grace Notes

*Call to Worship

(* Please stand as you are able.)

One: God gives us one day at a time:

All: Long enough for laughter to follow any tears;

One: Deep enough for prayer and silence to dance together;

All: Time enough to help someone in need;

One: Plenty of time to notice beauty and praise our Maker;

**All: Sufficient time to build a bridge of forgiveness
or tear down a wall of resentment;**

One: The right time to embrace friends, smile at strangers,
play with children, sing praise to God.

All: Praise God for each day we are given.

***Hymn**

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship

No. 396

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Lord, it is never easy to admit how foolish we are. You have chosen us for yourself, and we continue to shelter false gods in our hearts. You promise to be with us in every moment, but we can find little time for you. You send your Word to us, but we are too busy listening to the noise of our culture to pay attention.

**Have mercy, Eternal One, and forgive us.
Speak to us, so we might listen, and in hearing
be transformed into your people. Fill us with
holiness, so we might give ourselves wholly to
others. Enable us to serve you faithfully and
completely, even as did Jesus.**

Silent Confession

*** Response** *Surely, It Is God Who Saves Me (refrain)* No. 71

***Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and God will be my Savior.***

***Assurance of God's Grace**

One: This is our assurance: God forgives us.
This is our hope: God's love is everlasting.
This is our truth: God is with us always.

**All: We will speak the truth;
we will live the hope;
we will share God's mercy.
Thanks be to God. Amen.**

***Response of Praise** *It Is Well with My Soul (v. 3)* No. 840

***He lives: O the bliss of this glorious thought.
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
It is well with my soul; it is well; it is well with my soul.***

***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

Old Testament Reading Psalm 78:1-7 OT, pp. 537, 538

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Matthew 25:1-13 NT, p. 28

Sermon *Slow Burn* Lori Pistor

Litany of Hope and Promise

One: God, there is so much worry
and anxiety around the world.
Things seem so unsettled and unstable.
And yet the story of faith reminds us
to hope for the future.
Help us to see the possibilities
that always come with birth,
help us to be people of hope,
help us live out Your hope and justice.
Teach us to sing your praise, O God.

**All: Teach us to sing with notes
formed by hopes and acts of justice.**

One: Teach us to sing with harmonies
shaped by mercy's wide embrace.

**All: May all the earth join the chorus
and dance to your beating heart.**

One: God, through wise ones of old
you show us a vision of what could be.
Through mystics and prophets of today
you challenge our vision of the present.
Remind us of that vision of peace and justice.
Empower us to live as if we believed
it was really possible.
Teach us to sing your praise, O God.

**All: Teach us to sing with notes
formed by hopes and acts of justice.**

One: Teach us to sing with harmonies
shaped by mercy's wide embrace.

**All: May all the earth join the chorus
and dance to your beating heart.**

One: God, centuries later we hear again
the promise of Dame Julian that
All will be well, all will be well,
all manner of things be well.
And part of us finds it to be unbelievable
that such a promise could be true.
When our despair grows and the shadow
threatens to overcome the light,
remind us that we are people of hope.
When we are tempted to find relief from the present
in trying to recreate the past,
call us to be people of the future.
When life's music has faded, or become a funeral dirge,
teach us to sing your praise, O God.

**All: Teach us to sing with notes
formed by hopes and acts of justice.**

One: Teach us to sing with harmonies
shaped by mercy's wide embrace.

**All: May all the earth join the chorus
and dance to your beating heart.**

***Hymn** *Longing for Light (vv. 1,2 & 5)* No. 314

Time with Our Children

Gather in... Faith, Compassion, and Abundance

Camille Lambe

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Anthem *Fill Me, Lord* Nix
Grace Notes

*Fill me, Lord, O come and heal me, Lord.
O come and seal my life with Your Holy Spirit.
Take me, Lord, O come and wake me, Lord.
O come and make me, Lord, into a song of love.
Holy Spirit, use my life. Lord, come take control.*

*O come and burn in me a golden light.
Cleanse and make me whole.*

*Fill me, Lord, O come and heal me, Lord.
O come and seal my life with Your Holy Spirit.
Take me, Lord, O come and wake me, Lord.
O come and make me, Lord, into a song of love.
I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing,
I'm gonna sing when the Spirit says sing,
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna pray when the Spirit says pray,
I'm gonna pray when the Spirit says pray,
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
I'm gonna shout when the Spirit says shout,
I'm gonna shout when the Spirit says shout,
and obey the Spirit of the Lord.
Take me, Lord, O come and wake me, Lord.
O come and make me, Lord, into a song of love.*

***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 606

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

***Prayer of Dedication**

***We give thanks for all we have received, O God:
gifts of love and time, money and abilities.
We return a portion of these gifts.
Bless those who receive them, just as we are
blessed in the act of sharing them. Amen.***

Sharing our Prayers of Joy and Concerns

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer Hymnal, p. 35

***Hymn** *May God Support You All Your Days (vv. 1-3)* No. 548

*** Benediction**

Response

Keep Your Lamps!
Grace Notes

arr. Thomas

***Postlude**

Capriccio

Haydn



*The flowers in the Sanctuary are given
by the Weinbrecht family to the glory of God
and in honor of the marriage of Cara Weinbrecht
and Brandon Sinor on November 11.*

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): Peggy Viser

Today's Service Participants (11:00)

Minister: Rev. Lori Pistor

Director of Music: Ed Yasick

Special Singing: Grace Notes; **Piano:** Nancy Neubauer

Acolyte: Matalie Bohm

Lay Reader: Beverly Tompkins

Bus Driver: John Hansen

Sound: Joey Bartholomew

Counters: Rowena Morrison and Alger Faber



**The Social Justice Ministry at Cary Presbyterian Church invites you
to a presentation about human trafficking on Thursday, November 16, at 7:00
p.m. in the Cary Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall.**

Moffett Churn, a founder of the New Hope Presbytery Human Trafficking Roundtable, will speak about this phenomenon from a moral and faith-informed perspective.

Announcements and Opportunities

(Please check your E-Link newsletter in your email
or the PDF of E-Link on the CPC website for full information)

Hurricane Matthew Relief Trip: November 18. Leaving CPC at 7:00 a.m. and returning around dinnertime. Contact Sally Goettel at sgoettel@nc.rr.com.

The Fair Trade team is offering Christmas gift sets and other gift items again, this year. We will have them at the Alternative Gift Market on November 19th. Items range from \$2.00 to \$30.00. We hope to see you there!

Other dates Fair Trade items will be available:

November 26 (Thanksgiving weekend): Our Regular Fair Trade Sunday

December 3: Between services. Last day to order Christmas items.

December 10: Between services.

December 17: Between services. Last day to pick up an order.

The Triple F Christmas Luncheon will be on Tuesday, December 5, at 11:00 a.m. at Embassy Suites, Cary.

Esperanza Guatemala News: Discover the many wonderful things that happened during our recent trip, from the scholarship ceremony, to a new water system coming to the town, to our dinner! We want to share all this, so an informal session will be held following worship, December 10. A light lunch of beans and rice (bring your favorite toppings!) will be served. During the service, you will hear the sermon and children's time offered in Nimasac.

Meals on Wheels Volunteer Driver Needed: Make a difference in senior or disabled peoples' lives. Deliver complete and balanced hot meals once a month (the first Thursday). Pick-up is around 10:45 a.m., the route takes about 60 to 90 minutes. Enjoy friendly smiles and stories as you make your rounds. For more information or to sign up, please contact volunteer driver coordinator Jennifer Lawyer at jlrlawyer@gmail.com or (919) 462-8447.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

Adult Sunday School classes: Look for new signs at the two main entrances that will outline each Sunday's topics in adult education. Then make the decision to attend one of the classes!

Faith TODAY Adult Sunday School class notes—Next Week, Nov 19: The Alternative Gift concept: what it is, its origins, its success, the difference it makes, and the details. An opportunity to visit the Market will be included.

Connection Classes

Connection Classes are now underway, more can be formed. Contact Director of Christian Education, Medora Hix by telephone (919-819-5360, cell) or by email at medora.hix@carypresbyterian.org for more information or to be a part of this.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP GROUPS TONIGHT!

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Middle School: Faith & Duct Tape and Pizza Ever wonder what Faith and Duct Tape have in common?? Join your advisors and friends this Sunday to find out. Our gathering will include several new games and maybe an old favorite too! **(Please bring \$3 for pizza)**

High School: Stress Busters: Tackling the Problem Learn ways to identify whether a problem is a real or paper tiger, plus ways to better manage stress head-on by being prepared, setting up for success, avoiding stress when possible, and letting some things go. **(Please bring \$3 for supper)**

Be a blessing this holiday season with a donation to the Dorcas Food Pantry

NEEDED ITEMS:

Frozen or Canned Hams

Frozen Turkey

Fresh Carrots, Potatoes, and Onions

Fresh Citrus Fruit

Baking Supplies (sugar, cakes, and biscuit mixes)

Gravy

Stuffing

Holiday Packaged Cookies

Cleaning Supplies

Donations can be dropped off to the Dorcas Donation Door at 187 High House Road, Cary weekdays 8 AM to 6 PM, Sat 8 AM to 4 PM and Sunday 11 AM to 2 PM. For questions, please call Jill: 984.333.0058.



Church Staff

The Rev. Lori Pistor, Interim Pastor
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Peg Giesbrecht
Kevin Steidinger

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 12	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Worship Service and Communion Sunday School/All Ages Worship Service Youth Leadership Council (L) Youth Coordinator Search Team (Lori's office) SH Youth Group (SH Room) Stressbusters MS Youth Group (MS Room)
Monday, November 13	11:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Abigail Circle (P) Childcare Administrative Board (102) Congregational Fellowship Team (P) Christian Faith Formation Team (106) Music and Worship Team (L)
Tuesday, November 14	10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Connections Book Group (P) Mary and Martha Circle (Off-campus) Officer Orientation (102) Boy Scout Troop 232 (101, 103, 105) Strength, Hope, and Healing (Al-Anon) (Library) Budget and Finance Committee (102) Miriam Circle (P)
Wednesday, November 15	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitting Group (P) Youth and Families (103) Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Thursday, November 16	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Preschool T/Th 3 (Fellowship Hall Annex) Preschool Thanksgiving (Youth Room) CPC Staff/Deacon Luncheon at Glenaire Social Justice Ministry Event on Human Trafficking (Fellowship Hall) Stephen Ministry (100/102/106)
Friday, November 17	9:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer Group (P)
Saturday, November 18	7:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m.	Hurricane Matthew Relief Work Departure Alternative Gift Market Setup (Fellowship Hall)
Sunday, November 19	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Worship Service/Dedication Sunday Sunday School/All Ages Alternative Gift Market (Fellowship Hall) Worship Service/Dedication Sunday Alternative Gift Market (Fellowship Hall) Youth Coordinator Search Team (Lori's office) SH Youth Group: Bridge to Love MS Youth Group: Thanksgiving (MS Room) CA Youth Group: Pie Making (Fellowship Hall)

Dedication Sunday

Next Week: November 19



Give something
unexpected
this
Christmas.

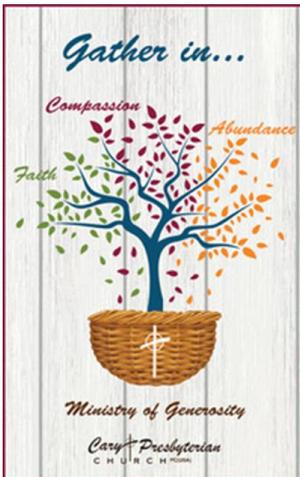
Alternative
giFT market

The 2017 Alternative Gift Market will be Sunday, November 19 from noon to 3:00 p.m. (and during Sunday School hour) in the Fellowship Hall. A soup and sandwich lunch will be available at moderate cost from noon until 2:00 p.m.

Alternative gifts are donations given to promote health, economic prosperity, and peace, with the option of designating the gift in the names of relatives, friends, and associates.

More than 15 booths highlighting different projects, as well as actual goods including items from Fair Trade Coffee, Clothing for Hope, and Beads for Life, plus Guatemalan scarves and embroidered bags from PaLa' Village Market will be available. The projects are fully vetted, and gift prices range from as low as \$5 up to \$200.

This will be a community-wide event so please help spread the word!



Generosity Team:
Gather In... Faith, Compassion and Abundance

**2018 Generosity packets
not already picked up
were mailed this week.**

**Dedication Sunday
is November 19.**

**Please remember to bring your
2018 Commitments of Talent & Time cards
along with your prayers and offerings.**