

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Welcome and Announcements

SHHHH! The *Alleluias* have been put away for Lent! During the seven weeks of Lent we will not say or sing *Alleluias* during worship. Their absence serves as a reminder of this contemplative and confessional season traveling toward Holy Week.

A Time for Prayer and Personal Meditation

Prelude *Prelude in B Minor* Chopin

Introit (8:30) *Every Time I Feel the Spirit* Spiritual
Sarah Govert and Hannah Pierce
(11:00) *He Never Said a Mumbalin' Word* Traditional
"Grace Notes" Ensemble

***Call to Worship** from *Psalms 26*

One: When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

All: Then our mouth was filled with laughter and our tongue with shouts of joy!

One: Then it was said among the nations, "The Lord has done great things for them."

All: The Lord has done great things for us, and we rejoice.

One: May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.

All: Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.

***Hymn** *Come, Worship God (vv. 1-3)* No. 386

* Confession of Sin

One: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Most holy and merciful God: We confess to you and to one another, and to the whole communion of saints in heaven and on earth, that we have sinned by our own fault in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

One: We have not loved you with all our heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We have not forgiven others as we have been forgiven.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

One: We have not been true to the mind of Christ. We have grieved your Holy Spirit.

All: Have mercy on us, O God.

One: We confess to you, O God, all our past unfaithfulness: the pride, hypocrisy, and impatience in our lives;

All: our self-indulgent appetites and ways and our exploitation of other people;

One: our anger at our own frustration and our envy of those more fortunate;

Welcome! We are truly glad that visitors, members and friends of Cary Presbyterian Church have joined us in worship today. To learn more about our congregation:

- Stop by the Welcome Center in the Narthex for information about our church, our programs, and our mission.
- Call the church office at 919-467-8700, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Visit our website at www.carypresbyterian.org and



Lenten Symbols

During the season of Lent, instead of flowers on the retable, we are focusing on Lenten symbols to remind us of the depth of Christ's sacrifice and the triumph over sin and death that is Easter. The rough-hewn cross, made by longtime CPC member and craftsman Fred Haskin, forms the center of our tableau.

On the first Sunday of Lent we placed a wooden cross in the center.

On the second Sunday of Lent, we added a whip of cords.

On the third Sunday of Lent, we added a towel and basin.

On the fourth Sunday of Lent we added a cup.



On the fifth Sunday of Lent, we add nails to the cup, towel, basin, whip of cords and cross. The nails symbolize those that were driven into the hands and feet of our Lord, who came not to condemn the world but to save it and fill it with the light of God's love. **What actions might you take this week to reflect that light to others?**

Announcements

- **One Great Hour of Sharing** fish banks for this special Lenten offering are available in the Narthex at the special display. Children may get stories about Gracie the Fish to read during the service.
- **Blood Drive** — Sign-up sheets for the Wednesday, April 20, CPC Blood Drive are on the ledge in front of the Fellowship Hall. We need donors as well as volunteers for the Canteen, Greeters, and healthy snacks for the donors. Look for the red balloons on April 3.
- **The Building and Grounds Team is planning a work day** (1/2 day might do it) on **March 19, 9:00 a.m. – noon**. It is short notice, but Ron Norris has been out for a family emergency, and we need to do some sprucing up before Easter. There are two main areas of concern, and we will break up into two teams to accomplish the work.
 1. *Remove the old pine straw and debris from the courtyard and front landscape areas and put down fresh pine straw.*
 2. *Clean up the debris in the outdoor chapel area and clean the benches with a deck cleaner, plus anything else needed before the Easter Sunrise service there. We might possibly mulch the entrance path.*

Let's help Ron out by taking this off his plate during this difficult time and make CPC shine a little before Easter. Contact Al Hardie with any comments or ideas for landscaping needs at the church. We will need another workday later in the spring when we are able to coordinate all the specific needs.

- **Easter Egg-stravaganza** — This year on Easter Sunday, our tradition of an intergenerational Sunday School continues with another version of an "Egg-stravaganza." There will be several Easter egg hunts or activities

going on: decorating "He is Risen" eggs and filling them to give away to others, a Scripture egg hunt, and this year's version of the Resurrection Egg Hunt. The traditional Flower Cross will be decorated with fresh flowers that congregants bring in. Please bring finger foods to share. All this at 9:45 a.m., nestled between the worship services on Easter.

- **Who are those smiling people** on the re-done bulletin board in the hallway leading to the Fellowship Hall? Why, they're your Session members, Deacons, and staff. Put a face to a name and see who is currently serving Christ Jesus as a leader at CPC.
- **Donations for the Care Packages for College Freshmen** are requested by April 4. Look for the box in the Narthex. Suggestions include: non-perishable/non-melting snack items, hot chocolate/tea bags; school supplies such as sticky notes, pens, highlighters, small notebooks; fun stress relievers and notes of encouragement for final exams. The packages will be about the size of a shoe box.

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH		
Sunday, March 13	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Worship Service Sunday School/Driver's License Milestone Worship Service/ Driver's License Recognition Youth Choir Rehearsal CA/MS/SH Youth (101/103/105/FH) Mom's Group (208)
Monday, March 14	11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Abigail Circle (P) Congregational Fellowship Team (P) CE Team (106) Childcare Administrative Board (102) Music and Worship Team (L)
Tuesday, March 15	10:30 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	DEADLINE FOR APRIL LINK Connections Group (P) Boy Scouts 232 (101/103/105) Girl Scouts 418 (Upper Level Ed Bldg) Budget and Finance Team (106)
Wednesday, March 16	10:00 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 12:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitting Group (P) Hannah Circle (P) How Our Bible Came to Be (102) Health Ministry Team (209) Coping Creatively with Cancer (105) Cancer Companions (209) Youth and Families Ministry Team (103) Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Rm)
Thursday, March 17	12:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	CPC Staff/Deacon Lunch at Glenaire Aging with Grace (FH/K) Stephen Ministry Training (103) Stephen Ministry (100/102/106)
Friday, March 18	9:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer/Merton's <i>Bridges to Contemplative Living</i> (P)
Saturday, March 19	9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	Church Work Day Triangle Area Stephen Ministry Network (FH) Cantata Choir Rehearsal (S) CA Youth Movie Night (FH)
Sunday, March 20	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m.	SUNY Oswego Alternative Spring Break Sunday School Palm Sunday Worship/Chancel Choir Cantata Harvest of Sorrows MS/SH Youth (101/103/105/FH)

NEXT SUNDAY

Be part of the Palm Procession on Sunday, March 20!
Meet in the Narthex prior to the 11:00 service.

All: our intemperate love of worldly goods and comforts and the dishonesty in our daily life and work;
 One: our negligence in prayer and worship and our failure to commend the faith that is in us.
All: Accept our repentance, O Christ, for the wrongs we have done. For our neglect of human need and suffering and our indifference to injustice and cruelty;
 One: for all false judgments, for uncharitable thoughts toward our neighbors, and for our prejudice and contempt toward those who differ from us;
All: for our waste and pollution of your creation and our lack of concern for those who come after us.
 One: Restore us, O Lord, for your mercy is great.

Silent confession

***Kyrie** *Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us*

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.
 Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.
 Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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***Assurance of Forgiveness**

***Response** *Come, Worship God (v. 4)* No. 386

*Now let us listen, for you speak among us;
 open our hearts to receive what you say.
 Peace be to all who remember your goodness,
 trust in your word, and rejoice in your way!*

Time with the Children

Prayer for Illumination

Old Testament Reading *Isaiah 43:16-21* OT, p. 672

Epistle Reading *Philippians 3:8-14* NT, p. 198

Gospel Reading *John 12:1-8* NT, p. 106

One: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon *Calculating Costs* Rev. Pistor

***Hymn** *There Is a Balm in Gilead* No. 792

Offering of Our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory Anthem *Let My Heart Be Quiet* Schopf
(Please pause for a moment of silence to reflect on the anthem that has just been offered in praise to God.)

***Lenten Doxology**

*Praise God throughout these forty days.
 Praise Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise.
 And praise the Spirit who imparts
 God's love in Christ into our hearts. Amen.*

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Joys and Concerns of the Church Family

Driver's License Milestone Recognition (11:00) (see insert) Medora Hix

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

***Passing of 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.

***Hymn** *When We Are Living (vv. 1-3)* No. 822

***Charge and Benediction**

***Response** *When We Are Living (v. 4)* No. 822

*Across this wide world, we shall always find
 those who are crying with no peace of mind,
 but when we help them, or when we feed them,
 we belong to God; we belong to God.*

***Postlude** *Invention in A Minor* Bach

*Please remain standing until the acolyte and
 worship leaders have left the Sanctuary.*

Acolytes: 8:30 – Mary Blake Herring
 11:00 – Jordan Short

Lay Readers: 8:30 – Tom Bolick
 11:00 – Beth Cleveland

Bus Driver: Wayne Honeycutt
Sound: Craig and Emma Anderson

Greeters: 8:30 – Kim Herring
 11:00 – Mindy Zeni

*Special thank you to Nancy Neubauer Sarah Govert, Hannah Pierce and
 "Grace Notes" for providing music for our services this morning.*



8:30 AND 11:00 AM MARCH 13, 2016

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A Time for Prayer and Personal Meditation

*You have turned my mourning into dancing;
 you have taken off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy,
 so that my soul may praise you and not be silent.
 O Lord my God, I will give thanks to you forever.
 Psalm 30:11-12*