



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
YOUTH SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
11:00 AM APRIL 29, 2018
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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Chime

Prelude

Somewhere Over the Rainbow
Youth, Ukelele

Harburg

Welcome and Announcements

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

Driver's License Milestone

Introit

Youth Choir

*Call to Worship

Ella Burton

(Please stand as you are able.)*

One: God is the Gardener, and God is planning something new.

All: God is our True Vine, so help us grow in Christ.

One: Your love rains down on us and helps us to flourish in our faith.

All: The Holy Spirit shines on us and gives us hope.

**Let all the branches praise the Triune God of new life,
growth, and flourishing.**

*Hymn

Sing Glory to the Name of God

No. 10

*Call to Confession

Emma Anderson

*Prayer of Confession

Valerie Campbell

God of love, we confess that at times we do not know you. We turn away those in need instead of helping them like you call us to. We admit that we do not always acknowledge your love. Save us from choosing ourselves over others.

In the name of Christ, who gave himself up in the greatest act of love, we pray.

Silent Confession

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

***Response** *Revolution* Franklin

***Sharing the Peace** Betsy Bowdish

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 Sarah Govert

Psalm Reading *Psalm 22:25-31* OT, p. 501
Jacob Rose

Epistle Reading *1 John 4:7-16* NT, p. 241
Hannah Pierce

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading *John 15:1-11* NT, p. 109

Sermon *Simply Abide* Elizabeth Crouse

Affirmation of Faith Haley Pierce

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage
to pray without ceasing,
to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,
to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,
to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,
and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.
In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to
serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful
lives, even as we watch for God's new heaven and new
earth, praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"
With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that
nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of
God in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

***Song of Praise**

How He Loves

***He is jealous for me,
Love's like a hurricane, I am a tree,
Bending beneath the weight of His wind and mercy.
When all of a sudden,
I am unaware of these afflictions eclipsed by glory,
And I realize just how beautiful You are,
And how great Your affections are for me.***

***And, oh, how He loves us, oh,
Oh, how He loves us,
How He loves us all.***

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***And, oh, how He loves us, oh,
Oh, how He loves us,
How He loves us all
Yeah, He loves us,
Oh, how He loves us,
Oh, how He loves us,
Oh, how He loves.***

Time with Our Children

Graduating Seniors

Litany of Blessing for Seniors

Blessing of Graduates

Youth 1: Let us unite our hearts in prayer
and entrust to the hands of the Lord
all of our graduates.

**All: You have grown up here on the stories of God.
We have told them to you, sung them to you,
acted them out —
hoping to teach them to you,
and, in turn, with gratitude,
listened to you tell them to us, sing them,
act them out — teaching us in the process.**

Youth 2: We pray these stories will sustain you, encourage you,
inspire you, transform you, accompany you
wherever you go, whatever you do —
stories of great inversion, of tremendous surprise,
of profound wonder, of deep joy,
of God's truth and grace, God's love,
and the redeeming of all creation.

**All: May God who began this good work in you
carry it through to completion,
enabling you to use your talents to the fullest.**

Youth 1: May God give you the grace to make wise choices
and to be faithful to your commitments,
always confident in the support of those who love
you.

**All: May God bless you with discomfort at easy
answers, half-truths, and superficial relationships,
so that you will live deep within your heart.**

Youth 2: May God bless you with anger at injustice,
oppression, and exploitation of people,
so that you will work for justice, equality, and peace.

**All: May God bless you with tears to shed for those
who suffer from pain, rejection, starvation,
and war, so that you will reach out your hand
to comfort them and change their pain into joy.**

Youth 1: May God bless you with the foolishness to think
that you can make a difference in the world,
so that you will do the things
which others tell you cannot be done.

**All: We have prayed for you more than you know —
both in frequency and in urgency.
Amidst our prayers,
we give thanks for you continually.
And today, we celebrate your achievement
with pride in what you've done, and in who we
see you becoming. May your integrity be a gift
to the world and may the Spirit of God be with
you always. Amen.**

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory *For the Beauty of the Earth/All Things Bright and Beautiful*
Sara Dickson

***Doxology** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* No. 608

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise Christ, all people here below;
praise Holy Spirit evermore;
praise Triune God, whom we adore.***

***Prayer of Dedication**

Kathryn Anderson

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Lord in your goodness: Hear our praise; Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer.

**Our Father, 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 debts,
as we forgive our debtors;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever.
Amen.**

***Benediction**

Charlotte Rose

***For the wonder of each hour
of the day and of the night,
hill and vale and tree and flower,
sun and moon and stars of light,
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.***

After worship, the Officer of the Day will be available in the Narthex with the "Ask Me" sign to answer any questions for visitors and CPC members.
Today's Officer of the Day (11:00): Russell Diggs

Please visit the Fair Trade table outside Fellowship hall today. We will be open before and after 11:00 a.m. worship service.

- We will have coffee (ground, whole-bean, regular, decaffeinated), tea, chocolate bars, cocoa, and olive oil
- We accept cash, checks, and debit or credit cards

Thank you so much for helping support Esperanza, CPC's ministry in Guatemala.

Visitor/New Member Meetup: Sunday, May 20, 9:45 a.m.

**Interested in becoming a member? Already plan to join?
Just have some questions about being Presbyterian?**

Join Mitzi for a casual visitor/new member meetup Sunday, May 20 at 9:45 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Coffee and light refreshments will be provided.

Questions? Contact Mitzi Leshner-Thomas at the church or at lesherthomas@carypresbyterian.org.

***Do you have a hymnal at home?
Has a red Glory to God hymnal followed you home?***

We are trying to find AWOL hymnals.
If you have one, please return to the CPC office.
Thank you.

Today's Service Participants (11:00)

Ministers: Rev. Lori Pistor, Rev. Alan Bancrft

Accompanist: Sara Dickson

Youth Choir Director: Julie Henry

Choir: Youth Choir

Driver's License Milestone: Medora Hix

Acolyte: Matalie Bohm

Bulletin Cover: Sarah Pierce

Bus Driver: Christie Foppiano

Sound: Craig and Kathryn Anderson
with Youth Group Members

Ushers: Tom Timney, Lloyd Hinnant and Russell Diggs
with Youth Group Members.

Counters: Alger Faber and Rowena Morrison

Got Graduates?

***Is someone in your family graduating from...
...college? ...grad school? ...other?***

Please send your information to office@carypresbyterian.org so
CPC can join in the congratulations!

Wall O'Mission: Guatemala Mission 2018 Fundraiser!

**Two more weeks! This year's Guatemala mission fundraiser:
the Wall O' Mission!**

There are plenty of envelopes left, so please use one! Envelopes
for your donations are available for amounts as small as \$2 to a
whopping and generous \$1000 with 60 envelopes in between.

**Take the envelope down, put in the amount on the envelope
(check or cash), and then repost with the *Thank You* side
out. There are plenty of envelopes left, so please use one!**

**Credit cards can be accepted for amounts over \$50:
see Medora Hix.** It's that easy. Please be generous.

Your support also goes toward making the relationship-centered
annual trip to Guatemala happen, and much more.

Announcements and Opportunities

Congratulations to Todd Crouse, recent recipient of the *Keeper of the Caring Heart Award* from The Caring Place.

Be SMART: April 29, 7:00 p.m. Tonight at 7:00 p.m. a program called "Be SMART" will be presented by speakers from Moms Demand Action. This group believes common-sense solutions can help decrease gun violence. The program will be held at CPC, is free of charge, and open to the public.

The Cool Books Club meets May 1, 2018, at 7 p.m. at the home of Nurcan Civilic. Our book for this month is *Yes, I Would Love another Glass of Tea: An American Woman's Letters to Turkey*. If interested, call Ellen Cline at 919-469-1456.

Our next Blood Drive is this Wednesday, May 2, from 2:30 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Your participation is greatly needed. SignUp Genius lists volunteer opportunities. Go to the links: [DonorSignUp \(https://tinyurl.com/y95utxag\)](https://tinyurl.com/y95utxag) or [Helper SignUp \(https://tinyurl.com/y8wzxxgp\)](https://tinyurl.com/y8wzxxgp) There are Narthex sign-up sheets as well.

Triple F Group is planning a tour of the Duke Lemur Center on Monday, May 7 at 2:00 p.m. Cost will be \$8.00 plus tax per person, due that day. Contact Barbara Turner at j1ht@earthlink.net.

Volunteer Opportunity: Meals on Wheels Driver Needed; The third Tuesday of each month - drive a delivery route at lunch for Meals on Wheels. You will deliver 10-12 meals in the Cary area with meal pick-up at Resurrection Lutheran Church on Kildaire Farm Rd. Please contact our Meals on Wheels route delivery coordinator Caroline Sinclair at caroline.sinclair@raymondjames.com or 919-302-2207.

Future Blood Drive Co-Chairs Needed!

The Health Ministry Team needs two volunteers to co-chair our bi-annual blood drives. Responsibilities include working with the Red Cross to schedule and coordinate blood drives on a bi-annual basis. Training from current chair Sally Adams and support from the Health Ministry Team is included. If you are interested in helping, please e-mail Mandy Nester at mandy.nester@carypresbyterian.org

After Worship Coffee and Fellowship

After Worship Coffee and Fellowship needs volunteers for the weeks ahead.

We continue our intentional time for coffee and fellowship, as usual following the 11:00 a.m. service today, We need your assistance to see this continues smoothly. Thanks to the Congregational Fellowship Team (who has graciously committed to supplying coffee and snacks), helping out will be easy!

We're in need of signups for the month of May and beyond. If you can start a pot of coffee and plate a few finger foods, you can do this! (And, if you're worried that you can't, we'll have specific and easy instructions for you.)

We think this will be a two-person job, so husband and wife teams serving as hosts for the week would be perfect. (But we're not married to helpers being spouses!)

Please sign up at [SignUpGenius \(https://tinyurl.com/y7bvzhb\)](https://tinyurl.com/y7bvzhb) and let us know if you would be willing to help once in awhile.

Faith Formation

Pop-up Bible Study!

5 Wednesdays in Eastertide: Continues May 2, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. in the Library. We'll be studying one of the Bible passages from the Sunday lectionary readings. Each Wednesday stands alone so come when you can - no worries about missing anything. Questions? Contact Mitzi Leshner-Thomas at lesherthomas@carypresbyterian.org.

Adult Education Sunday School Classes:

Faith TODAY class will again consider *Everything Happens for a Reason*, from the book of that title by Duke Divinity School professor Kate Bowler. Diagnosed with Stage 4 cancer at age 35, she offers us a sometimes humorous, sometimes poignant, sometimes tear-evoking look at how to respond to this phrase and more. Leader: Medora Hix, Room 102

Bible and Beyond is studying Dr. Mickey Efirid's work on Paul's letter to the Galatians, using video. Efirid is dynamic and informative. Join in with Lisa and Alan Ward, leaders, in the Library.

Faith and Family is currently looking at the book *100 Things Every Child Should Know Before Confirmation: A Guide for Parents and Youth Leaders*. Books will be available to use in class. Room 100.

Adult I continues its regular Bible study and welcomes newcomers in the Parlor.

Mission:

Food, Friends, and Fun (we're thinking of renaming it F3) returns to Cary Presbyterian on Wednesdays this summer. Sign-ups for all the volunteer positions begin next week – at church or through SignUpGenius. We need age group helpers, readers, craft leaders, recreation leaders, and kitchen help. Group leaders are most successful when they can be here regularly. **We will also need at least one check-in and general help coordinator**-this position is open.

Duplicate mandatory training for all will be held either at the Kirk of Kildaire PC, Wednesday, May 30 at 5:30 p.m. or at CPC Tuesday, June 5 at 6 p.m. (or at Greenwood Forest Baptist at 7 p.m., date TBD). And, there will be another training for all volunteers working directly with the children about group management, not yet scheduled. Finally, we're specifically looking for leaders who can help the parents with baking (including bread baking), budgeting, Zumba, and hair cutting/styling.

VBS registration begins NEXT week on Sunday, May 6. Watch for it!

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, April 29 Youth Sunday	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Sunday School Youth Sunday All Together Worship Service After Worship Coffee Fellowship No SH Youth Group Meeting No MS Youth Group Meeting Be SMART: Social Justice Ministry Event (FH)
Monday, April 30	9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Pastoral Care Team (Office) Staff Meeting (Office)
Tuesday, May 1	9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Conscious Discipline Parent Book Study (102) Connections Group (P) Cool Books Club (Peg Giesbrecht's home) Boy Scout Troop 232 (101/103/105) Security Team (102) Strength, Hope, and Healing (L) Softball: Summit Knights vs. CPC Gray (Brooks Park/Field 7) Softball: TCC Green vs. CPC Green (Brooks Park/Field 7)
Wednesday, May 2	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 2:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Beginner Spanish (100) Blood Drive Prep (FH) Intermediate Spanish and Conversation (100) Stephen Ministry Care Meeting/Luckie (P) Intermediate Destinos, Pt. 1 (100) CPC Spring Blood Drive (FH until 9 p.m.) Pop-Up Bible Study (L) YAF Meeting (103) Choir Practice (Choir Room)
Thursday, May 3	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry (100/102/106) Softball: CPC Gray vs. Kirk of Kildaire (Brooks Park/Field 7) Resurrection Lutheran vs. CPC Green (Brooks Park/Field 8)
Friday, May 4	9:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer Group (P)
Saturday, May 5	No Activities Scheduled	
Sunday, May 6	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Healing and Wholeness Service and Communion Sunday School Healing and Wholeness Service and Communion After Worship Coffee Fellowship SH Youth Group (SH Room) TBD No MS Youth Group Meeting

Softball Season is underway! Find the season schedule for CPC Gray and CPC Green at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/ydeffb4>.
 (Schedule is subject to change. Check the calendar on the CPC website and the weekly bulletin calendar listings for up to date information.)



Healing and Wholeness Service, Sunday, May 6.

Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11

Healing was an integral part of the ministry of Jesus which the church has been called to continue as one dimension of its concern for the wholeness of people. Through services for wholeness, the church enacts in worship its ministry as a healing community.

PCUSA Directory of Worship

Each Sunday and throughout the week we hold with one another our joys and sorrows. In daily conversations we speak of hurts, fractures and losses in our personal lives, our church and in our world. Multiple reflections and comments over the last few months have encouraged us to provide Worship Services of Healing and Wholeness.

At both the 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. worship services on May 6 this unique order and purpose of worship will be engaged. Worship will include scripture, reflection and hymns, extended time for personal and communal prayers, and communion by intinction.

In every act of worship, the Church celebrates the grace of God who desires wholeness of body, mind and spirit for all people. At a service of healing, we focus on that aspect of God's character. We bring to God our own frailty and brokenness - felt not just in physical illness, but in guilt, anxiety and all the burdens which weigh us down. We also bring our concerns for others and for the world. Above all, we come to the God who knows our needs before we ask, and whose love revealed in Jesus Christ is stronger than suffering and death.

Come, let us worship together in faith, hope and love.