



Psalm 84: In Your Vestibules 2 by Maria Monikowska-Tabisz

**FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ALL-TOGETHER WORSHIP SERVICE
AND CONGREGATIONAL MEETING**

10:00 AM AUGUST 26, 2018

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Chime

Prelude

Andante

Couperin

Welcome and Announcements

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

Congregational Meeting

*Call to Worship

(* *Please stand as you are able.*)

One: In this dwelling place of God

All: Let us prepare a space.

One: As our hearts search for rest

All: May they find a home at the heart of God.

One: As regular worshippers, strangers and friends

All: We long to be welcomed and assured of belonging.

One: In the praises we offer to our Maker and Sustainer

All: Let us know we are blessed with strength for each day.

*Hymn

How Lovely, Lord

No. 402

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Compassionate God, who dwells in the highest places and yet walks in the midst of all human life, look upon us and all our faults and failings with tenderness and hope.

Turn your eyes towards the places that we would hope to have you remain, and begin the work of reclaiming the barren and infertile landscape of our human frame.

Listen to our sorrow as we remember how we have failed in our relationships with others, the world and you.

**Forgive the unkind words and thoughts,
the unwillingness to change the pattern
of our lives, even when we know the harm
our actions cause.
Hear us as we seek to be restored
to live Christ's story in our action.**

Silent Confessions

***Response** *Healer of Our Every Ill (refrain)* No. 795

***Assurance of God's Grace**

*** Response** *Healer of Our Every Ill (v. 1 with refrains)* No. 795

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

All: and also with you.

One: Let us share that peace with one another.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Readings

Wisdom Literature: *Psalms 84* OT, p. 543

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Old Testament: *Joshua 24:1-24* OT, p. 215, 216

Sermon: *Renewing Covenant* Lori Pistor

***Affirmation of Faith** *from A Study Catechism, PC (USA) Ques. 3*

We are God's.

**We belong to The One who creates all things,
in whose image all people are made.**

We are Christ's.

**He has loved us, healed us, called us
and anointed us with his Spirit.**

We belong to his death and resurrection and ministry.

**We are the Spirit's.
We belong to the church, the Body of Christ.
God gives us the gifts of forgiveness,
resurrection, and eternal life,
and the gift of participating
in the healing of the world by God's grace.**

**As God's beloved, we devote ourselves
to God and to God's will,
wholly, joyfully and with the help of Christ.**

***Hymn**

O God, Who Gives Us Life

No. 53

Time with Our Children

Offering

Offertory

Then Sings My Soul Hine/arr. McDonald
Beverly Tompkins, Soloist

*O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.*

*When through the woods, and forest glades I wander
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees;
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.*

*Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!*

*And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing,
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the Cross, my burden gladly bearing;
He bled and died to take away my sin.*

*When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart;
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration
And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"*

*Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.
Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee;
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!*

***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**

**Giver of blessing, as we bring the offerings of our lives,
may they bring your blessing to lives beyond this place,
in Christ's name. Amen**

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer p.35

**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.**

***Hymn** *Bless All Who Trust in God* No. 47

***Benediction**

***Go with us, Lord, and guide the way
through this and every coming day,
that in your Spirit strong and true
our lives may be our gift to you.***

*Coffee Fellowship will be enjoyed in the Fellowship Hall today,
so all may peruse the responses to the Transition Team surveys!*

Today's Service Participants

Ministers: Rev. Lori Pistor, Rev. Mitzi Leshler-Thomas

Director of Music: Ed Yasick

Trumpet: Justin Dickson

Soloist: Beverly Tompkins

Children in Worship: Medora Hix

Acolyte: Ethan Holloway

Lay Reader: Audrey Rose-Sausman

Bus Driver: John Hansen

Sound: John Campbell

Ushers: Jane Dunbar, George Leggett, Boyce Oglesby,
and Jerry Slaymaker

Counters: Alger Faber and Kim Markham

After worship, the Officer of the Day will be available in the Narthex with the "Ask Me" sign to answer any visitor or member questions.

Today's Officer of the Day: Jerry Slaymaker

OPEN CHOIR OPPORTUNITY

You are invited to be a member of the choir on Sunday, September 2. The choir will sing "Many Gifts, One Spirit" by Allen Pote at the 10:00 a.m. service. This familiar anthem is a choir favorite. We will rehearse the music at 9:40 a.m. in the choir room. If you are now in the choir, have ever been in a choir or have thought about singing with the choir, this is your chance. There are many wonderful singers in the congregation! Please consider singing with us, you'll be glad you did!

Christian Faith Formation

Rally Day is Sunday, September 9 at 9:45!

Plan to be at Rally Day to:

- register for Sunday School
- support our third graders receiving their Bibles
- begin connecting with others in your class (for youth and children)
- learn about adult education and Christian faith formation opportunities for the year
- share in a simple finger-food breakfast (please bring something to contribute).

We're planning now for a fabulous new year of Sunday School for everyone.

Shepherds and Teachers Needed

Faith Journey is our unique Sunday school for elementary kids.

This year several of our shepherds for Faith Journey are retiring. Our children need four adults to guide them through their Sunday school learning. These folks are not teachers, but companions along the way. No prep is involved; it's all relationship.

We're also currently signing up teachers for Faith Journey. Teaching in Faith Journey is flexible! You teach a 'workshop' once or twice during a unit, take a break, and perhaps, sign on again. Workshops are creative and fun and can include drama, art, science or computers, among others. **CHECK OUT THE Sign-Up Board for units and times.** If you've never done this before, you're missing out!

We also would like to staff our Middle School class with one more co-teacher, and the same for our Preschool/Kindergarten class. Either one uses creative learning activities-come on board!

There's a new adult class

Check out the display in the Narthex with some of the resources that will be offered in various adult classes. This year's class lineup features a new guy in town: Kerygma Bible study class, as well as our returning favorites. Please consider teaching in the Faith TODAY class. It's flexible and current.

To accept any of these invitations to serve or if you have questions, please contact Medora Hix, Director of Christian Faith Formation, by phone at (919) 467-8700 or email medora.hix@carypresbyterian.org.

Announcements and Opportunities

New! Be a Greeter for Sunday School!

We'd love to offer a special welcome to Sunday school visitors: greet them, provide information, and escort them to a class. We'd like to have two people: one in the narthex area from 9:30-10:10 a.m. and one near the lower/back door from 9:30-10:00 a.m. (This may be a perfect fit for a choir member.) Contact Cathy Williams or Medora Hix. This role can be 'job-shared!'

Alternative Gift Market Coming Soon. Want to help?

The Alternative Gift Market will be Sunday, November 18. Would you like to serve on the team to make this happen? Contact Medora Hix at medora.hix@carypresbyterian.com or Beth or John Campbell at thecampbells@prodigy.net.

CPC Fall Trip to Guatemala: Come Along!

The trip will be Tuesday, October 16 through October 23.

Plans include: working to help set up the computer lab, helping with church growth, including the formation of a youth group, considering another phase of the agricultural project, helping the local school, and more. See the display in the Narthex or contact Medora Hix, medora.hix@carypresbyterian.org or call the Church Office.

We have three spots left: we will need to purchase flight tickets before long. Don't delay!

New Girl Scout Troops at CPC

Cary Presbyterian is pleased to announce the formation of two new Daisy Girl Scout troops: Troop 1951 for kindergarten and Troop 1366 for 1st grade. Both troops will meet in our youth area on the first floor.

- Troop 1951 will be led by Amber Moltimore Johnston (amiche24@gmail.com) and Tanya Lewis (tanyaklewis@gmail.com). This troop will have its first meeting on September 10 and will then meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays.
- Troop 1366 will be led by Laura Dorton (ldorton@nc.rr.com). This troop will have its first meeting on September 24th and will then meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays.

If you have an interest in either troop, please contact the leaders listed above.

Important New Church Security Information

The Building and Grounds Team and the Security Task Force are preparing a major step to enhance the safety and security of those who worship, meet, and otherwise use the church facilities.

Entry codes will be issued to those needing access to the building during the week and on Sunday. The code will allow the user to open a specific door and enter the building. Codes will be issued to staff members, church members with regular or specific building access needs, and representatives of groups regularly using CPC facilities. All members may request a code.

Code issuing began Sunday, August 19 and continues today, with full implementation planned for September. Keypads and codes will not be active immediately. The congregation will be notified when the system is operable.

CPC STAYCATION RETREAT: SAVE THE DATE – September 28 & 29

We know schedules get full, so please put on your calendar now the CPC staycation-style retreat on Friday, Sept. 28 (potluck, games, outdoor worship) at the church building, and Saturday, Sept. 29 at Bond Park.

This year, the time at Bond Park is shortened but just as full: 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. The theme is God's Story Trivia... and more.

Youth Group News

Fall Kickoff Sunday, September 9

We're looking forward to a new year with plenty of fellowship, connection, faith exploration, service, and worship for High School and Middle School youth groups, as well as Christian Adventurers.

A list of upcoming gatherings will be available soon, but for now, put **Sunday, September 9 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** on your calendars. All youth and their families are invited to join us as we kick off the new year!

Spanish Classes return for Fall!

Spanish classes at all levels will again be offered right here at CPC this fall. Please pick a flyer up in the narthex. Invite your friends! Aprende español aquí!

CPC Music Ministry Opportunities

Attention Current and Interested Choir Members:

Regular choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, Sept. 5, at 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room. We encourage all current singers and new members to be at our first rehearsal. Anyone interested in becoming a member of a fun, exciting group is welcome. Singers for the 8:30 a.m. service are especially needed: it would be wonderful to have enough singers for choirs at both services. Please plan to join us for the upcoming "Open Choir" on Sept. 2, and/or rehearsal on Wednesday, Sept. 5. Questions? Please speak with Ed Yasick or any current choir member.

Some facts you may not know about our choir:

- We accept people of any age, high school and above. Ages of members range from 16 years to 80 plus.
- No experience is needed. We have members with no experience (other than a love of singing), as well as instrumentalists, those who sing in other school, church or community ensembles, and with degrees in music.
- We welcome people from all religious backgrounds. Our choir has members with various church histories that help make worship meaningful for all.
- Minimal commitment is required. We rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and sing at either the 8:30 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service on Sundays, September through May. If you need to be away, just sign-out that particular day.
- We have a lot of fun! We enjoy singing, talking, fellowship, and food!

To all interested singers and instrumentalists:

Please join us Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for dinner, music, and fellowship (sponsored by the Music and Worship Team).

This evening is for you if:

- You have thought of singing in the choir, a smaller group, or as a soloist.
- You play a wind or string instrument and would like to join the CPC Orchestra. The group is open to wind and string players of high school age and above. The orchestra rehearses on Sundays after 11:00 a.m. worship and plays several times throughout the year (including Christmas Eve and Easter Sunday). Justin Dickson, our director, will be available to speak with you.
- You play any other instrument and have an interest in becoming part of our CPC music program. This includes instrumentalists for special occasions and preludes, as well as guitar and piano players.
- Bringing an instrument Sept. 12 isn't necessary: please join us to learn more about how you can use your talents.

We look forward to seeing you at:

- "Open Choir" on Sunday, Sept. 2. (Meet at 9:40 a.m. in the Choir Room)
- Rehearsal on Wednesday, Sept. 5 (7:30 p.m. in the choir room)
- An Evening of Music, Fellowship, and Dinner on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Questions? Please contact Ed Yasick (ed.yasick@carypresbyterian.org), Justin Dickson (justindickson541@gmail.com), or any current choir member.



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Todd Crouse
Betty Hart

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Peg Giesbrecht
Audrey Sausman
Janet Robinette

New CPC Website!

Our new website is live at carypresbyterian.org! The website still includes access to the church calendar, worship bulletins and issues of the e-Link, and features more photos of CPC activities and a responsive design that works easily on your phone or tablet. The Communications Team will continue to tweak the site and welcomes your feedback. Special thanks to long-time webmaster Jason Derifaj for his technical expertise and guidance.

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, August 26	8:45 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Adult 1 Sunday School (other classes resume Sept. 9) Confirmation Orientation / Students and Parents (100) Emergency Plan and Defibrillator Training (FH) All Together Worship Service and Congregational Meeting After Worship Coffee Fellowship (Fellowship Hall)
Monday, August 27	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 (Fellowship Hall) Page Turners Book Club (P)
Tuesday, August 28	10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Connections Group (P) Boy Scouts 232 (101/103/105) Strength, Hope, and Healing (L)
Wednesday, August 29	6:00 p.m.	Pop Up Bible Study (P)
Thursday, August 30	No Activity Scheduled	
Friday, August 31	9:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer Group (P)
Saturday, September 1	No Activity Scheduled	(Labor Day Weekend)
Sunday, September 2 (Labor Day Weekend)	8:45 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Adult 1 Sunday School (other classes resume Sept. 9) All Together Worship Service and Congregational Meeting After Worship Coffee Fellowship

Esperanza de Guatemala Thanks You!

Thank you very much to all who attended, bought tickets or donated to Esperanza de Guatemala's kick-off fundraising event at The Cary Theater last Sunday evening. It was an enjoyable evening of food, fellowship, and the iconic, inspirational movie, *Field of Dreams*.

Your contributions will certainly help advance education and literacy in the village of Nimasac, Guatemala! If you did not have a chance to attend and would like to make a gift, please visit our website at www.esperanzadeguatemala.org or send a check to the church office.