



Windows of the Soul by Anthony Falbo

**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ALL-TOGETHER WORSHIP SERVICE**

10:00 AM SEPTEMBER 2, 2018

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Gathering Chime

Prelude

Largo

Vivaldi

Welcome and Announcements

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

*Call to Worship

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

One: We are called to be people of faith in the midst of the world,

**All: and so we mix our worship and our work,
our faith and our life.**

One: We gather here as people who live in the world and yet,

**All: we gather as people who have been called
to see the world from a different viewpoint.**

One: God has called us together,

God has called us to be part of a community.

**All: God challenges us to consider questions of priority
as we engage with the world.**

One: In this time together,

All: Let us enjoy and worship God.

*Hymn

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

No. 32

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

One: When the busyness of our lives erodes
the intentions of our hearts:

All: Merciful God, forgive us.

One: When our personal agendas take precedence
over reaching out to others:

All: Merciful God, forgive us.

One: When we keep putting off being
more active "doers of the word":

All: Merciful God, forgive us.

One: When we only half-listen to those
who cry out to be fully heard:

All: Merciful God, forgive us.

Silent Confessions

***Response** *Restore in Us O God (v. 1)* No. 434
***Restore in us, O God, the splendor of your love;
renew your image in our hearts, and all our sins remove.***

***Assurance of Forgiveness**

One: As we become doers of the word and not merely hearers, we discover that it is "in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive"; surely evidence of "the implanted word that has the power to save our souls."

**All: As we know forgiveness in Christ Jesus
so may we forgive. Amen.**

***Response** *Restore in Us O God (v. 3)* No. 434
***Bring us, O Christ, to share the fullness of your joy;
Baptize us in the risen life that death cannot destroy.***

***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: *Psalm 15 NIV* Read responsively

One: Lord, who may dwell in your sacred tent?

Who may live on your holy mountain?

**All: The one whose walk is blameless,
who does what is righteous,
who speaks the truth from their heart;**

One: whose tongue utters no slander,
who does no wrong to a neighbor,
and casts no slur on others;

**All: who despises a vile person
but honors those who fear the LORD;
who keeps an oath even when it hurts,
and does not change their mind;**

One: who lends money to the poor without interest;
who does not accept a bribe against the innocent.

All: Whoever does these things will never be shaken.

Gospel: *Mark 7:1-8; 14-15; 17-23* NT, p. 42

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Epistle: *James 1:17-27* NT, p. 229

Sermon *Blessed in Doing* Lori Pistor

***Affirmation of Faith** *from PC(USA) Confession of 1967*

**God has created human beings for a personal relation
that they may respond to the love of the Creator.**

**God has created male and female and given them a life
which proceeds from birth to death in a succession of
generations and in a wide complex of social relations.**

**God has endowed humans with capacities to make the
world serve their needs and to enjoy its good things. Life
is a gift to be received with gratitude and a task to be
pursued with courage. People are free to seek life within
the purpose of God: to develop and protect the resources
of nature for the common welfare, to work for justice and
peace in society, and in other ways to use their creative
powers for the fulfillment of human life.**

***Hymn** *Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates* No. 93

Time with Our Children

Offering

Offertory Anthem *Many Gifts, One Spirit* Pote
Open Chancel Choir

Many gifts, one spirit, many songs, one voice

Many reasons, one promise, many questions, one choice.

*O, God, we pray for unity, give guidance from above.
In our differences unite us in the circle of your love.
O, God, remind us we are not alone.
Though we move on different pathways, we are walking to your throne.*

*Help us learn to love each other, show us ways to understand.
We are members of one family, growing strong by joining hands.
O, God, remind us we are not alone.
Though we move on different pathways, we are walking to your throne.*

*Take our many ways of working, blend the colors of each soul
into the beauty of a rainbow.
Give us life, Lord, make us whole.*

***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**

**Let us be slow in our yearning to hang on to our
blessings, and quick to share them with the hungry,
the lonely, the forgotten, and the hurting of our world,
that our gifts might become a kind of first fruits to feed
and nurture others. We pray in Jesus' name, Amen.**

Prayers of Joy and Concern and the Lord's Prayer p.35

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.**

***Hymn** *For the Beauty of the Earth (vv. 1-4)* No. 14

*Benediction

***Hymn** *For the Beauty of the Earth (v. 5)* No. 14

***For thyself, best gift divine to the world so freely given;
for that great, great love of thine;
peace on earth and joy in heaven:
Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grateful praise.***

*** Postlude** *Toccata in F Major* Buxtehude

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: Julie Henry

Today’s Service Participants

Minister: Rev. Lori Pistor

Director of Music: Ed Yasick

Choir: Open Chancel Choir

Trumpet: Justin Dickson

Children in Worship: Barbara Harvey

Acolyte: TBD

Lay Reader: Alice Williams

Bus Driver: David Winkler

Sound: TBD

Ushers: Sue Harley, John Hansen, Russell Diggs, and Julie Henry

Counters: Kim Markham and Sandy Ogle

Presbyterian Women 2018-2019

Presbyterian Women start their 2018-2019 year this month.

We have five Circles that meet the second week each month for fellowship, Bible study, and mission. The Horizon's study guide for this year is *God's Promise: I Am with You*.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Colleen Hann at 919-678-1376 or colleenhann@nc.rr.com.

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 now need three adults to guide them through their Sunday school learning. These folks are not teachers, but companions along the way. No prep; 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 other areas. **CHECK OUT THE Sign-Up Board for units and times.** If you've never done this before, you're missing out! Thanks to all who are already on board.

The Middle School class wants one more co-teacher- Sherry and Jim need your help!

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: Last Chance!!

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.

We have three spots left: we will need to purchase flight tickets this coming week. Come with us! Contact Medora Hix, medora.hix@carypresbyterian.org or call the Church Office.

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 aqui!

Support Dorcas Ministries

On the last Sunday of each month, non-perishable food items are collected to help stock the Dorcas food pantry. Your support is very much appreciated and encouraged!

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. (Some doors will not permit entry, but all will allow exit.) 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 is now underway, with full implementation. Keypad installation is planned for the week of September 17. Keypads and codes will not be active immediately. The congregation will be notified when the system is operable.

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!

Triple F Group

Our first fall meeting will be on Monday, September 17, 2018, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 100. We are privileged to have Veronica Bucki present a program on Eleanor Roosevelt. We will also be celebrating our 35th Anniversary. Come join us! The program on Creation has been rescheduled for later in the fall.

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.



Session Members (Elders) and Ministry Areas

Clerk of Session

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Wendy Czika

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Jeff Clark

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Scott Peoples

Tim Farless

Christie Foppiano

Matt Donkin

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Spiritual Care Team:

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Russell Diggs

Sherry Bradsher

Practical Care Team:

Kevin Steidinger

Todd Crouse

Betty Hart

Older Adult Care Team:

Peg Giesbrecht

Audrey Sausman

Janet Robinette

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.

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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) Worship Service After Worship Coffee Fellowship
Monday, September 3, Labor Day	No Activity Scheduled	Church Office Closed
Tuesday, September 4	10:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Connections Group (P) Cool Books Club (Peg Giesbrecht's home) Boy Scouts 232 (101/103/105) Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team (P) Strength, Hope, and Healing (L)
Wednesday, September 5	9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m. 2:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Beginning Spanish: Part 1 (100) Intermediate Spanish Conversation (100) Intermediate Spanish (100) Pop Up Bible Study (P) Triangle Area FCN and HM Meeting (Fellowship Hall) Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
Thursday, September 6	8:00 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Generosity Team (102) Caring Place Program Night Stephen Ministers Worship Service (Sanctuary) Stephen Ministry (100/102/106)
Friday, September 7	9:00 a.m.	Centering Prayer Group (P)
Saturday, September 8	10:00 a.m.	Sunday School Teacher Meeting (FH)
Sunday, September 9	8:30 a.m. 9:45 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Worship Service Rally Day (Fellowship Hall) Worship Service After Worship Coffee Fellowship

Interested in becoming a member of CPC?

Planning to become a member of CPC? Curious about membership; what it means and how you 'make it official'? Or a new member who wants to meet more folks, get more connected, or just ask questions?

Meet with Mitzi Leshner-Thomas Sunday, Sept. 16 at 9:45 a.m.
in the Fellowship Hall Annex.