



The Gospel of Luke: Prodigal God by Makoto Fujimura

WORSHIP SERVICE
16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
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ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10:30 A.M.

Gathering

(* Please stand as you are able.)

Gathering Chime

Prelude

All' Elevatione

Zipoli

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Praise the Lord, Be Joyful
Chancel Choir

Haydn/arr. Hopson

*Call to Worship

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in worldly rulers,

For they are temporary, their plans will fall apart.

Happy are those whose help and hope is in God,

For God made heaven and earth, and all living things.

God executes justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry,

God sets the prisoners free, and opens the eyes of all.

God watches over those on the margins, the strangers, the widows and orphans;

And God will reign forever. Praise the Lord!

*Hymn

Fight the Good Fight

No. 846

1 Fight the good fight with all thy might.
2 Run the straight race through God's good grace;
3 Cast care a - side; lean on thy guide.
4 Faint not nor fear: God's arms are near.

Christ is thy strength and Christ thy right.
lift up thine eyes, and seek Christ's face.
God's bound-less mer - cy will pro - vide.
God chang - eth not, and thou art dear.

Lay hold on life, and it shall be;
 Life with its way be - fore us lies;
 Trust, and thy trust - ing soul shall prove;
 On - ly be - lieve, and thou shalt see

thy joy and crown e - ter - nal - ly.
 Christ is the path, and Christ the prize.
 Christ is its life, and Christ its love.
 that Christ is all in all to thee.

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, we confess that we have sided with the rulers, with those in power, those who have wealth, those who have sway over the people.

We confess that our ways are not Your ways.

We followed false shepherds, leaders who promise the easy way, instead of seeking You. Forgive us.

Call us into Your ways of love, justice, and mercy, even when it is difficult.

Call us to bring in those from the margins.

Remind us that our own redemption is bound in the liberation of others.

It is in Christ's name that we pray, for Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Amen.

Silent Confession

***Kyrie**

Lord Have Mercy

No. 576

Lord, have mer - cy.

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

***Assurance of Pardon**

***Response**

Glory to God

No. 583

(Sing twice: first in English, then in Latin)

Capo 3: (Bm) (Em) (A) (D)
 Dm Gm C F *(chords continue)*

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry in the high - est!
 Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, in ex - cel - sis De - o!

Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Glo - ri - a, glo - ri - a, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Scripture Reading

1 Timothy 6:6-12

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.


Scripture Reading

Luke 16:10-31

The Message


A Good Foundation for the Future Alan Bancroft

Capo 1: (Em) (Bm) (Em) (D) (G) (D)
Fm Cm Fm Eb Ab Eb




1 In an age of twist-ed val-ues we have lost the
2 We have built dis-crim-i-na-tion on our prej-u-
3 When our fam-i-lies are bro-ken, when our homes are
4 We who hear your word so of-ten choose so rare-ly

(Em) (A) (B7) (Em) (Bm) (Em) (D) (G)
Fm Bb C7 Fm Cm Fm Eb Ab



truth we need. In so-phis-ti-cat-ed lan-guage we have
dice and fear. Ha-tred swift-ly turns to cruel-ty if we
full of strife, when our chil-dren are be-wil-dered, when they
to o-bey. Turn us from our will-ful wan-dering; give us

(Am) (Em) (Bm) (Em) (C) (G)
Bbm Fm Cm Fm Db Ab




jus-ti-fied our greed. By our strug-gle for pos-ses-sions
hold re-sent-ments dear. For com-mu-ni-ties di-vid-ed
lose their way in life, when we fail to give the a-ged
truth to light our way. In the pow-er of your Spir-it

(D) (Am) (Em) (B7) (Em) (Bm)
Eb Bbm Fm C7 Fm Cm



we have robbed the poor and weak. Hear our cry and
by the walls of class and race, hear our cry and
all the care we know they need, hear our cry and
come to cleanse us, make us new; hear our cry and

(Em) (D) (G) (Am) (Em) (Bm) (Em)
Fm Eb Ab Bbm Fm Cm Fm



heal our na-tion; your for-give-ness, Lord, we seek.
heal our na-tion; show us, Lord, your love and grace.
heal our na-tion; help us show more love, we plead.
heal our na-tion till our na-tion hon-ors you.

***Affirmation of Faith** *A Brief Statement of Faith*

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

**We trust in Jesus Christ,
fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor
and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed
and blessing the children,
healing the sick
and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts,
forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified,
suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.**

**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.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.
Amen.**

Responding

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory

My Life is in Your Hands

Stevens

Chancel Choir

*My life is in your hands, dear Lord. My life is in your hands.
Every day I live, Lord, to you I give. My life is in your hands.
My heart is in your hands, dear Lord. My heart is in your hands.
Take my dreams and fill every thought with your will.*

*Everything I am or ever hope to be, all my dreams
and all my cherished plans,
Take them as an offering. Hold them in your hands.
When I am discouraged I will trust in you, trust you and pray.
Lord, I give my life to you. Lead me in your way.*

*My life is in your hands, dear Lord. My life is in your hands.
Every day I live, Lord, to you I give. My life is in your hands, in your hands!*

Doxology *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

No. 609

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low.

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known;

Creator, Word, and Spirit one.

Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer of Dedication

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

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

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

Sending

***Hymn** *Called as Partners in Christ's Service (vv. 1-3)* No. 761



1 Called as part-ners in Christ's ser-vice, called to min-is-tries of grace,
2 Christ's ex-am-ple, Christ's in-spir-ing, Christ's clear call to work and worth,
3 Thus new pat-terns for Christ's mis-sion, in a small or glob-al sense,
4 So God grant us for to - mor-row ways to or-der hu-man life



we re-pond with deep com-mit-ment fresh new lines of faith to trace.
let us fol-low, nev-er fal-tering, rec-on-cil-ing folk on earth.
help us bear each oth-er's bur-dens, break-ing down each wall or fence.
that sur-round each per-son's sor-row with a calm that con-quers strife.



May we learn the art of shar-ing, side by side and friend with friend,
Men and wom-en, rich-er, poor-er, all God's peo-ple, young and old,
Words of com-fort, words of vi-sion, words of chal-lenge, said with care,
Make us part-ners in our liv-ing, our com-pas-sion to in-crease,



e - qual part-ners in our car-ing to ful-fill God's cho-sen end.
blend-ing hu-man skills to - geth-er gra-cious gifts from God un-fold.
bring new power and strength for ac-tion, make us col-leagues, free and fair.
mes-sen-gers of faith, thus giv-ing hope and con-fi-dence and peace.



***Blessing and Charge**

***Response** *Called as Partners in Christ's Service (v. 4)* No. 761
(See previous hymn)

***Postlude** *All' Offertorio* Zipoli

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

You are invited to share Christ's peace with those around you.

*Weekly Floral Dedication
Flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
and in honor of
Russell Diggs.*



Today's Worship Service Participants

Minister: Rev. Alan Bancroft, Kim Rubish

Music Director: Ed Yasick

Choir: Chancel Choir

Lay Reader: Lynn Voss

Time With Our Children: Jen Pierce

Book: *The Coat* by Séverine Vidal



Ushers: Al Hardie, Beth Cleveland,

Betty Hart, Medora Hix

Tech: John Campbell

Slides: Su Johnson

CCLI No.: 3015474



Be The Hands



Be the Hands Days of Mission October 30 through November 5

- Connect with other volunteers from CPC, and support our community partnerships!
- Multiple service opportunities will be available throughout the week and on Saturday.
- All projects are designed to be safe and healthy.
- Watch for the sign-ups to volunteer your time or to donate needed items.

If you have questions or are interested in helping to plan this Be the Hands event, please contact Elder Todd Crouse. (crousetrc@gmail.com)



Be the Hands Day of Worship and Fellowship: Sunday, November 13

Dorcas and CPC Be The Hands

'Adopt a Shelf' Program.

CPC is partnering with Dorcas Ministries as a supporter of their 'Adopt a Shelf' program. This is one

of the initiatives of *Be The Hands*.

Each month Dorcas will ask CPC members to provide donations of the two most needed items for the food bank.

The needed items for September are pasta and canned beef stew. Information will be posted in the Narthex along with the needed items for that month along with a donation bin.

Any questions? Please contact Audrey Sausman at 919-889-9121.





Esperanza De Guatemala

Building Hope and Relationships

Dental and Eyeglass Drive

The Community Partnership (Missions) Team is sponsoring a toothbrush, toothpaste, and reading glasses drive for our Guatemalan ministry.

You may have noticed the increase in the price of toothbrushes, and it's no different in Guatemala. In fact, at regular prices, toothbrushes are considered an extra expense and are used well past their good condition.

Additionally, many people in the village cannot afford eye care, even getting over-the-counter reading glasses. Since these are generally non-prescription--but oh so helpful as we age, we want to collect them to distribute there. These can be used or new. Either way, they will be appreciated.

The Guatemala trip is the second week of October. Please bring items to the box in the Narthex through Sunday, October 9.

Thank you!



MEALS on WHEELS WAKE COUNTY

Meals on Wheels is currently looking for volunteers to deliver hot meals, beverages, fruit and bread to home-bound clients in Cary. Pick-up is at Resurrection Lutheran Church, 100 Lochmere Drive. Pick-up times are 10:45 through 11:15 a.m. on weekdays.

There are 6 different routes served by MOW. The most needed route for volunteers currently is Route 6 which is the Reedy Creek/Harrison Drive area.

Potential volunteers can check out the Help Wanted page on the website (Meals on Wheels Cary) to see what openings are available. Anyone interested in volunteering can apply on the site. Applications go to the main office and then are routed to Susan Falco, the Cary site manager. If applicants don't hear back within a week of applying, they may call or email Susan at 919-830-1566 (between 9:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. M-F or cary@wakemow.org).

CPC has furnished volunteers over the years but much changed during Covid. Hopefully we can continue to serve our community through Meals on Wheels.



THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Website and Online Member Directory: www.carypresbyterian.org

Sunday, September 25	9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Faith Formation Classes Coffee Fellowship (Narthex) Worship Service In-Person and Online Youth Fellowship (Dinner provided) Youth Choir (Choir Room)
Monday, September 26	11:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Staff Meeting (FH Annex) Cub Scout Pack 232 (FHF) Scout Troop 232G (Fellowship Hall)
Tuesday, September 27	7:00 p.m.	Boy Scout Troop 232 (FHF)
Wednesday, September 28	11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:30 p.m.	Preschool Ice Cream Social (Fellowship Hall) Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) No Wed. Night Virtual Class this week (Zoom)
Thursday, September 29	11:30 a.m.	Preschool Ice Cream Social (Fellowship Hall)
Friday, September 30	11:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Preschool Ice Cream Social (Fellowship Hall) Courage, Strength, & Hope (Library)
Saturday, October 1		
Sunday, October 2	9:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Faith Formation Classes Coffee Fellowship (Narthex) Worship Service In-Person and Online No Youth Fellowship this week (On retreat) Youth Choir (Choir Room)

Calendar Help Needed

As things return to pre-Covid normal, we're working on bringing the Church Calendar up to date. To help with this, we'd like for you to check the [Google Calendar-In-A-Month](http://www.carypresbyterian.org) view on our website at www.carypresbyterian.org.

If you have a regularly scheduled group meeting that needs to be included on the calendar, please email all necessary information (name, date, time, & place) to office@carypresbyterian.org. This includes both in-person and Zoom meetings.

Also, if there are any meetings or upcoming events (one-time or recurring) that need to be included on the calendar, please send the name, date, time & place information to the office@carypresbyterian.org address as well.

As the calendar continues to fill out, we'll include listed events from the [Google Calendar-In-A-Month](http://www.carypresbyterian.org) in the bulletin each week. Thanks for your help in making the calendar reliable.