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Meet Me in Galilee by Hannah Garrity

**EASTER SUNDAY
WORSHIP SERVICE AND COMMUNION**

8:30 AM & 10:30 AM

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ORDER OF WORSHIP
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Gathering

Gathering Chime

Prelude *House of Lords* Rogers

Welcome and Announcements

***Introit** *Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! (v. 1)* No. 248

*Christ is risen! Shout Hosanna!
Celebrate this day of days!
Christ is risen! Hush in wonder:
all creation is amazed.
In the desert all-surrounding,
see, a spreading tree has grown.
Healing leaves of grace abounding
bring a taste of love unknown.*

***Call to Worship**

On Friday, we thought the good news had been silenced.

On Friday, we thought the good news had taken its last breath.

On Friday, we thought the good news had been buried.

But today, we know the good news is alive and well.

The good news is dancing!

The good news is on the loose!

The good news is out in the world, calling your name!

Alleluia! Even death has lost its sting.

Let us worship our good-news Christ.

***Processional Hymn** *Jesus Christ Is Risen Today* No. 232

***Call to Confession**

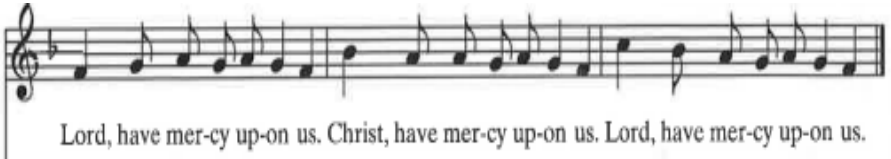
*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,
we want to be Easter people.
We want to shout your good news from the rooftop.
We want to follow the disciples, who ran to look for you.
We want to follow the angels, who said, "Be not afraid,"
but we are afraid.
And we don't know where to look.
And we are worried we'll say the wrong thing.
So forgive us, for we are imperfect Easter people.
We are best intentions and best laid plans.
We are an out-of-tune chorus of "alleluias."
We are on our way, but we are not there yet.
Show us how to embody your good news in this world.
Show us how to be your Easter people.
With hope for tomorrow, we pray, amen.

Silent Confession

*Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us



*Assurance of Pardon

Forgive us, Lord, we pray.
Teach us to trust your promise
and to believe the good news of salvation:
Christ is alive; Jesus is risen from the dead. Amen.

***Response**

Exsultet

Liam Lawton

Re - joice, re - joice,
gone for-ev-er is the night! Re - joice, re -
joyce, ris - en is the Lord of light!

Word

Prayer for Illumination Medora Hix (8:30); Peggy Viser (10:30)

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:1-10

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Message

*Love is Loose in the World
Tell Me Something Good*

Paul Lang

***Hymn**

Christ is Alive!

No. 246

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Nicene Creed*

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Time with Our Children (*10:30 a.m. service only*)

Jen Pierce

Responding

Offering

Offertory Anthem

Risen Indeed!

Chancel Choir

Pote

Christ is risen, Christ is risen, Alleluia!

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, He is risen.

Lift up your voices sing alleluia, alleluia!

Christ is risen indeed, he is risen from the dead.

He is alive, he is alive, alleluia!

Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, He is risen.

Lift up you voices sing alleluia, alleluia!

He died for us, our sinful souls to save.

Now he is risen, risen from the grave.

*The tomb stands empty, the stone was rolled away.
Darkness has vanished, the night has turned to day.
Jesus will meet us when our death is near.
He gives us hope eternal, we need not fear!*

*Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, He is risen.
Lift up your voices sing alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen indeed, he is risen indeed.
Christ is risen, Christ is risen, Alleluia!*

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.**

The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Praise to you, O God, for all your works.
You created the world and called it good
and made us in your image to live together in love.
You made a covenant with us,

and even when we turned from you,
 you remained ever faithful.

Therefore with all creation we sing your praise:

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (D)
 F C F B^b C F

1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the

(A) (D/F#) (F#m) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C F/A Am B^b C Dm

pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the

(G) (D) (A) (Bm) (Em7) (A) (Dsus) (D)
 B^b F C Dm Cm7 C Fsus F

full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thank you, O God, for sending us your Son.
 He lived among us and told your story.

He healed the sick and welcomed sinners.
 He shared our pain and died our death,
 then rose to new life that we might live,
 and all creation be restored.

Remembering your boundless love
 revealed to us in Jesus Christ,
 we break bread and share the cup,
 giving ourselves to you
 to live for him in joy and praise.
 Great is the mystery of faith:

Capo 3: (D) (A) (D) (G)(A) (D) (A) (D/F#)(F#m)
 F C F B^b C F C F/A Am

Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

(G) (A)(Bm) (G) (D) (A)(Bm) (Em7) (A)(Dsus)(D)
 B^b C Dm B^b F C Dm Gm7 C Fsus F

Christ has died; Christ is ris-en; Christ will come a - gain.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us
 and upon these your gifts of bread and wine
 that they may be for us the body and blood of Christ
 and that we may be his body for the world.
 By your Spirit unite us with Christ and one another
 until we feast with him and with all your saints
 in your eternal realm of justice and peace.
 Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 all glory and honor are yours, almighty God,
 now and forever. **Amen.**

**Breaking of the Bread
 Communion
 Prayer after Communion**

Sending

- *Hymn *Thine Is the Glory* No. 238
- *Blessing and Charge
- *Response *Thine Is the Glory (refrain)* No. 238
(See previous hymn)
- *Postlude *Postlude in B Flat Major* Dickson
- *Sharing the Peace of Christ
You are invited to share Christ's peace with those around you.



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Today's Worship Service Participants

8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Minister: Rev. Dr. Paul H. Lang, Rev. Paul Burgess

Music Director: Ed Yasick

Choir: Chancel Choir

CPC Orchestra: Justin Dickson, director

Kevin Atkins, Alan Bancroft, Norah Dickson,

Kirsten Nielsen, Osy Nüesch, Heidi Sue Ross

Lay Reader: Medora Hix (8:30); Peggy Viser (10:30)

Time with Our Children (10:30): Jen Pierce

Ushers: (8:30) Jim Bowdish, Susan Bowdish, Jenny Lundergan

(10:30) Russell Diggs, Jessica Cadwallader,

Holly Boswell, Angela Rose

Tech: (8:30) Ian Dunbar

Slides: (10:30) Jane Dunbar

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Floral Remembrances - Easter 2026

In Loving Memory of

- David Batchelor, husband, by Ann Batchelor
- George Michael Burke, husband, by Penny Burke
- Michael Patrick Burke, son, by Penny Burke
- Colin Harvey, by Penny Burke
- Nicholas Cerefice, by Karen Cerefice
- Our Parents, by Jane & Ian Dunbar
- Ragland and Sallie Fletcher, by Yates & Gwen Fletcher
- Bill and Mozelle Williams, by Yates & Gwen Fletcher
- Christopher Hastings Fox, son, by Sally Fox
- Francis Giesbrecht, husband and Kathy Giesbrecht, daughter, by Peg Giesbrecht
- Dora & Curtis Gibbs, parents of Henry, by Henry & Onita Gibbs
- Louise & Wesley Stack, parents of Onita, by Henry & Onita Gibbs
- Carrie Culpepper, Dot and Bill Stack, sister, sister-in-law, & brother, by Henry & Onita Gibbs
- Gary Govert, husband, by Ellen Govert
- Lynne Hook, cousin of Jenny, by Jenny & Pat Lundergan
- Carroll Slaymaker, Jerry's late wife, by Jerry Slaymaker & Meredith McGill
- Dr. John & Mabel McGill, parents, by Jerry Slaymaker & Meredith McGill
- Addison & Doris Slaymaker, parents, by Jerry Slaymaker & Meredith McGill
- Mary Lou Orr, by Nancy Neubauer



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In Loving Memory of

- Hardy Rothrock, husband, by Anne Rothrock
- Gordon Steger, father of Mark, by Mark & Suzie Steger
- Margaret & Buck Taylor, Gracie & Bob Walker, parents, by Mary & Scott Walker
- Rev. John G. Viser & Thelma A. Viser Woody, parents, by Peggy Viser
- Lisa Wilbourne, from her loving family, by Kirk Wilbourne
- Our parents, by Alice & Jim Williams

In Honor of

- Loved ones, by Jeanne Bolick
- The Groset & Callis families, by Laurel & Mike Callis
- Family, by Mary Jane Donahue & Jim Conrad
- Our friends and family, by Sandy Childrey
- Barbara Carew, by Diane Garber
- Lynn Voss, grandmother, by Ian & Sarah Govert
- The Tomczak family, by the Palmer family
- Charles & Diane White, by Jim & Elizabeth White
- CPC Clergy, by Teddy Witherspoon

If you purchased flowers, you may take them with you following the 10:30 a.m. worship service.

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Website and Online Member Directory: www.carypresbyterian.org

Sunday, April 5 Easter Sunday	7:00 a.m. 8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	Easter Sunrise Service (Outdoor Chapel) Easter Worship Service (Sanctuary) Easter Worship Service (Sanctuary) Nursery Care is available for both the 8:30 and 10:30 Worship Services.
Monday, April 6	6:15 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<i>Church Office Closed for Easter Monday</i> Girl Scout Troop 1951 (Youth Area) BSA Troop 232G (Fellowship Hall) Personnel Team (Zoom) Cub Scout Pack 232 Den Mtgs. (C. Ed. Bldg.) Deacons Meeting (Library)
Tuesday, April 7	10:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Triple F Meeting (IHOP) Session Meeting (Zoom) Cool Books Club (Zoom) Scout Troop 232B (Youth Area)
Wednesday, April 8	2:00 p.m.	Health & Wholeness Team (100) <i>No Chancel Choir Rehearsal this Week</i>
Thursday, April 9	9:00 a.m.	Connections Group (Parlor/FHA if open)
Friday, April 10	7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Courage, Strength, & Hope / Alateens (Youth) Al-Anon / Courage, Strength, & Hope (101/102)
Saturday, April 11		
Sunday, April 12	9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m., 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Children's Faith Formation: K-5 th Grade (C. Ed. Wing) Middle School Faith Formation (Youth Rooms) Pastor's Class: <i>The Return of the Prodigal Son</i> (FH Anx) Sunday Worship Service (In Person & Online) CA Family Lunch (Fellowship Hall) Next Chapter (Youth Room)



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One Great Hour of Sharing: Don't Forget!

We are collecting the *One Great Hour of Sharing* offering through today, Easter Sunday. This offering supports the work of *Presbyterian Hunger Program*, *Presbyterian Disaster Assistance*, and *Self Development of People*.

You can donate online at the church website, carypresbyterian.org. You can also give cash or check using the offering envelopes in the pews. Thank you for sharing God's love with our neighbors in need through this offering.