

'Doubting Thomas' Stained Glass by Artist Unknown

WORSHIP SERVICE 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER 10:30 AM APRIL 16, 2023 614 Griffis Street, Cary, NC 27511 (919) 467-8700 www.carypresbyterian.org

ORDER OF WORSHIP - 10:30 A.M.

Gathering

(* Please stand as you are able.)

Gathering Chime

Prelude Gloria Couperin

Welcome and Announcements

Congregational Introit *Christ has Risen*



*Call to Worship

Blessed be our God and our Lord Jesus Christ!

I believe; help my unbelief.

We have been given a new birth into a living hope.

I believe; help my unbelief.

A living hope through resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

I believe; help my unbelief.

Although you have not seen Christ, you love Christ.

I believe; help my unbelief.

In this time of worship, may we hold on to the faith of others, **May we pray for each other**, **and follow Jesus Christ.**



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*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, We confess that too often we have lived lives of those not worthy to be called Your children. Though You are light, we have preferred to lurk in shadow, though You are truth, we have made idols of lies and falsehood, though You are love, we have been hard of heart. Too often You show us the Way, and we have wandered far off course. We turn to You with repentant hearts. and seek Your forgiveness. We lay claim to your promise, and pray that You will transform us, re-make us, that we will live as Your children, and by word, thought and deed, we might lead lives worthy of subjects within Your kingdom of love, peace and mercy. **Amen**

Silent Confession

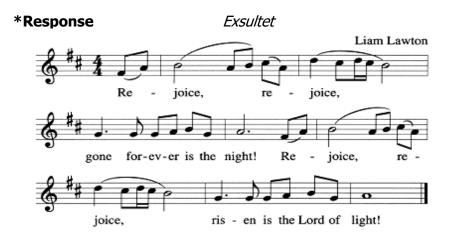


*Assurance of Pardon

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.



Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading 1 Peter 1:3-9 Ellen Govert

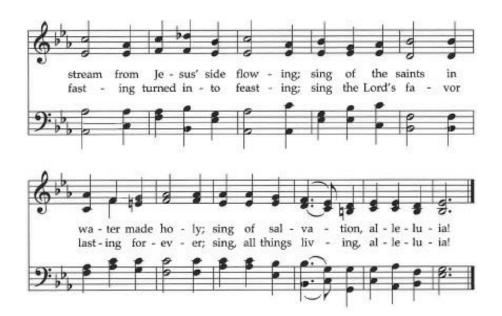
One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading John 20:19-31

The Message Life in Jesus's Name Alan Bancroft





*Affirmation of Faith (from Confession of 1967)

- 9.15 God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator who made all things to serve the purpose of God's love.
- 9.17 God has created human beings for a personal relation with himself that they may respond to the love of the Creator. God has created all people 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.

Time with Our Children

Jen Pierce

Book: Where Does God Live? by August Gold and Matthew J. Perlman

Responding

Offering

Offertory O Lord, Our Lord, How Excellent Thy Name Martin Julie Henry & John Scott, Duet

O Lord, our Lord how excellent Thy name in all the earth. In all the earth, the heavens above, there is no other name. Sing alleluia, sing alleluia, sing alleluia! In all the earth, the heavens above, there is no other name. O Lord, our Lord how excellent Thy name in all the earth. How excellent Thy name!

*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!

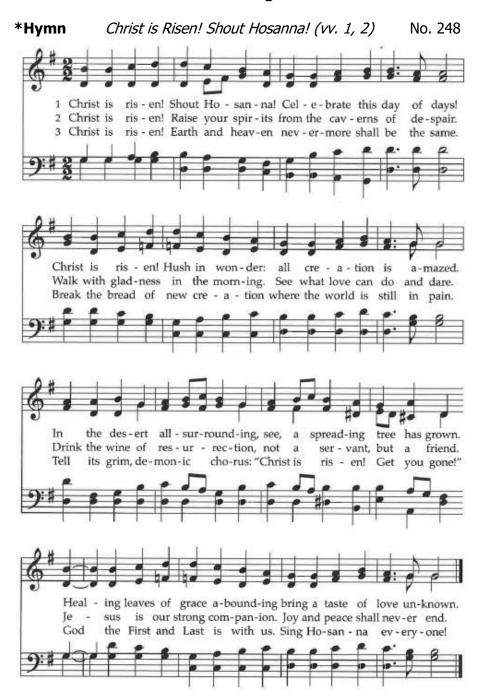
Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

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



*Blessing and Charge

*Response Christ is Risen! Shout Hosanna! (v. 3) (See previous hymn)

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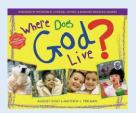
*Postlude Trumpet Tune Clarke

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

Today's Worship Service Participants

Ministers: Rev. Dr. Paul Lang; Rev. Alan Bancroft
Music Director: Ed Yasick
Special Music: Julie Henry & John Scott, duet
Lay Reader: Ellen Govert
Acolyte: Lydia Bullis
Time with Our Children: Ien Pierce



Ushers: Al Hardie, Beth Cleveland, Jessica Cadwallader, Valerie Cullen Tech: Hunter Piermont Slides: Beth Cleveland CCLI No.: 3015474

Dorcas and CPC
Be The Hands 2023
'Adopt a Shelf' Program
for April

Thank you for supporting Dorcas Food pantry.
The needs for April are canned fruit and bathroom tissue. Any questions? Give me a call!
Audrey Sausman: 919-889-9121.

CPC is partnering with Dorcas Ministries in support of their 'Adopt a Shelf' program during 2023. This is an ongoing Be The Hands project.



Notes. Prayers. or Scribbles

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday,	9:15 a.m.	The Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall)
April 16	9:30 a.m.	Faith Formation Classes (All Ages)
	10:30 a.m.	Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online
	11:30 a.m.	Youth Sunday Planning Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
	2:30 p.m.	Kim Rubish Ordination (UPC of Chapel Hill)
	5:30 p.m.	Scout Troop 232G Committee (100)
Monday,	11:00 a.m.	Staff Meeting (Parlor)
April 17	6:00 p.m.	GS Brownie Troop 1951 (Youth Area)
	6:00 p.m.	GS Daisy Troop 271 (Youth Area)
	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scout Pack 232 (FHF)
	6:30 p.m.	Scout Troop 232G (Fellowship Hall)
	6:30 p.m.	Personnel Team (Zoom)
	7:00 p.m.	Faith Formation Team (100)
Tuesday,	10:00 a.m.	Triple F (JC Raulston Arboretum, NCSU)
April 18	7:00 p.m.	Budget & Finance Team (Zoom)
	7:00 p.m.	Scout Troop 232 (Youth Area)
	9:00 p.m.	CPC Softball (Brooks Park, Cary: Field 8)
Wednesday,	8:30 a.m.	Esperanza Monthly Meeting (Zoom)
April 19	10:00 a.m.	Prayer Shawl Knitting Group (Parlor)
	2:00 p.m.	CPC Blood Drive (Fellowship Hall until 7:00 p.m.)
	7:00 p.m.	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
	7:30 p.m.	Wednesday Night Virtual Class (Zoom)
Thursday,	9:00 a.m.	Generosity Team (102)
April 20	6:00 p.m.	Duke Health MBSR Group (Youth Area)
	7:00 p.m.	Stephen Ministry (100/102/106)
	7:00 p.m.	CPC Softball (Brooks Park, Cary: Field 8)
Friday,	7:00 p.m.	Courage, Strength, & Hope (Library)
April 21		
Saturday,	8:00 a.m.	Habitat for Humanity Build (Off-campus)
April 22	10:30 a.m.	McNeilly Family Observance (FH until 1:00 p.m.)
Sunday,	9:15 a.m.	The Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall)
April 23	9:30 a.m.	Faith Formation Classes (All Ages)
	10:30 a.m.	Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online
	2:00 p.m.	Compass Group #2 (Parlor)
	5:00 p.m.	Youth Sunday Planning Lunch (Fellowship Hall)
	5:00 p.m.	One Wake Listening Session



CPC/SPE Blood Drive

This coming Wednesday, April 19

Our next blood drive is Wednesday, April 19, in CPC Fellowship Hall from 2:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Appointment times are still available. You can sign up for a time that works best for you by using the Blood Connection link in the last E-Link.