



Psalm 23 by Mark Lawrence

WORSHIP SERVICE
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS
4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER - 10:30 AM
APRIL 21, 2024
614 Griffis Street, Cary, NC 27511
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ORDER OF WORSHIP — 10:30 A.M.

Gathering

(* Please stand as you are able.)

Gathering Chime

Prelude

Andante in A Major

Rinck

Welcome and Announcements

*Congregational Introit *Christ Has Risen*

1. Christ has ris - en while earth slum - bers,
Christ has ris - en where hope died, as he said and
as he prom - ised, as we doubt - ed
and de - nied. Let the moon em - brace the bless - ing;
let the sun sus - tain the cheer; let the world con -
firm the ru - mor: Christ is ris - en, God is here!

*Call to Worship

Sisters and brothers, let us gather together
with glad and generous hearts.

For many signs and wonders are being done among us.

Let us break bread together and share our lives in common.

**Let us give what we can to all who have needs
so that all people, no matter who they are,
may regard us with good will.**

Let us devote ourselves to our prayers and to the gospel.

For in this way God will add to our numbers every day.

*Hymn

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

No. 803

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

**Holy One, we confess to you and to one another
that we have not always followed Christ's example.**

**When we have been abused,
we have been abusive in return.**

We have gone astray.

**Lead us back into your fold
and guard our souls in Jesus' name. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Kyrie

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us



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

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Word

Prayer for Illumination

David Bohm

Scripture Reading 1 John 3:16-24

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading Psalm 23

The Message *A Table Prepared in Presence of Enemies* Paul Lang

*Hymn *The King of Love My Shepherd Is* No. 802

Time with Our Children Jen Pierce

Responding

Reception of New Members

***Profession of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed*

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Welcome

Offering

Offertory Anthem

Gentle Shepherd
Chancel Choir

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*Gentle shepherd, lead us onward; we have need of nothing more;
By still waters, through green pastures you our weary souls restore.
Gentle shepherd, for your glory, guide us safely to our home,
With your staff to draw us closer when our hearts begin to roam.*

*Gentle shepherd, when we wander through the valley of despair
And the darkness overwhelms us, you are ever watching there.
Gentle shepherd, voice of comfort, calling through the night and cold,
With your rod of sweet correction, turn your sheep back to the fold.*

*Gentle shepherd – oh what mercy! – you became the sacrifice,
Laid your life down in submission when no lamb could pay the price.
Gentle shepherd, interceding, leading us through righteous ways,
Til we reach the upper pasture, where we'll live for endless days.*

***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

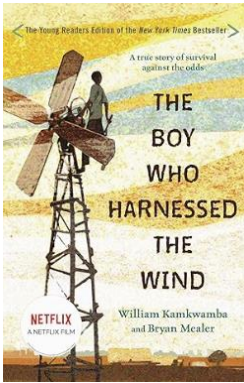
***Hymn** *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us (vv. 1-3)* No. 187

***Blessing and Charge**

***Response** *Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us (v.4)* No. 187
(See previous hymn)

***Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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



CPC Reads Together!

Read *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind*
by William Kamkwamba with us!

This is the memoir of a young man who created a windmill from spare parts to generate power for his home in Malawi, and the story of his family's life of poverty and famine. **Join with us in a month of learning, listening, discussing and service.** Books are now available in the Narthex.

Scan the QR code at the right to access information about all the activities related to CPC Reads Together. Check back often as additional links may be added.



Christ caring for people through people

**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

The Stephen Ministry program at CPC will celebrate its 25th anniversary on Sunday, April 28!

Please come to the worship service, where we will honor the work of this vital ministry's original leaders: former member Linda Finrock and Rev. Dr. David Voss.

We will also recognize the work of Peg Giesbrecht, who attended the first Stephen Ministry class in 2000 and continues to serve to this day.

A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall with cake and light refreshments. Please join us!

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, April 21	9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	Parlor Class Faith Formation: Pre-K – Grade 5 (C. Ed. Wing) Pastor’s Class (Fellowship Hall Annex) Oak City Cares (Kitchen) Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary) ASP Training (Fellowship Hall) Christian Adventurers Activity
Monday, April 22	11:00 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Staff Meeting (Parlor) Abigail Circle (100) Girl Scout Troop 362 & 355 (Youth Area) Scout BSA Troop 232G (Fellowship Hall) Cub Scout Pack 232 Den Mtgs. (C. Ed. Building)
Tuesday, April 23	7:00 p.m.	Scout Troop 232B (Youth Area) <i>No Adult Virtual Class (Zoom)</i>
Wednesday, April 24		<i>No Chancel Choir Rehearsal</i>
Thursday, April 25	9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	Generosity Team (102) Miriam Circle (Parlor)
Friday, April 26	7:00 p.m.	Al-Anon / Courage, Strength, & Hope (Library)
Saturday, April 27		
Sunday, April 28	9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	Parlor Class Faith Formation: Pre-K – Grade 5 (C. Ed. Wing) Pastor’s Class (Fellowship Hall Annex) Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary) Stephen Ministry Reception (Fellowship Hall) Next Chapter Group (100) Christian Adventurers & Youth Choir

Today’s Worship Service Participants

Minister: Rev. Paul Lang, Rev. Alan Bancroft

Music Director: Ed Yasick

Choir: Chancel Choir

Lay Reader: David Bohm

Time with Our Children: Jen Pierce

Ushers: Al Hardie, Medora Hix,
Jessica Cadwallader, Audrey Sausman

Tech: Richard Wood

Slides: Beth Cleveland