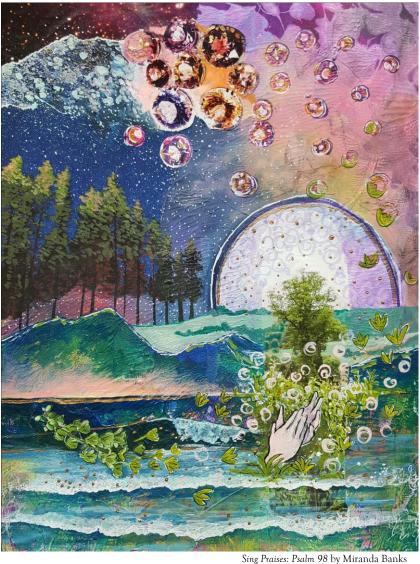
# (ary Presbyterian Church



#### WORSHIP SERVICE AND SERVICE OF INSTALLATION **5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER** MAY 2, 2021 614 Griffis Street, Cary, NC 27511 (919) 467-8700 www.carypresbyterian.org

#### ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10:00 A.M.

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/

#### **Gathering**

#### **Gathering Chime**

**Prelude** Allegretto Corelli

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

**Introit** Seek Ye First (v. 1) No. 175

Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia!

#### **Call to Worship**

In the wilderness, water brings life.

Seek us out, O God, and take us to the water.

In the Word of God, the good news gives light.

Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding.

In the bread and the wine, the body of our Savior nourishes everyone.

#### Seek us out, O God, and give us yourself.

Here is the water of life, the word that feeds, the food of eternity.

Come and praise the vine that gives all goodness.



Song of Praise by Deborah Wenzel

Hymn

## We Know That Christ Is Raised (vv. 1, 2 & 4)

No. 485



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

#### **Call to Confession**

#### **Prayer of Confession**

God of mercy,
we confess that we have not borne the fruit
of the Spirit.
We have not loved others as you have loved us.
We have denied the promises of baptism
and cut ourselves off from you.
Forgive us, restore us,
that we may abide in your love
and live out your mercy,
for the sake of Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

#### **Assurance of Pardon**

#### Word

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

First Reading Psalm 98

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**Musical Offering** *Credo* Purifoy Vocal Ensemble: Julie Henry, Jane Dunbar, Len Clark, John Scott

Second Reading John 15:9-17

**The Message** Friends of Christ Paul Lang



# DEACON INSTALLATION Cary Presbyterian Church May 2, 2021 — Baptism of the Lord

#### THE CALLING OF THE CHURCH

The Church is the body of Christ. Christ gives to the Church all the gifts necessary to be his body. The Church strives to demonstrate these gifts in its life as a community in the world.

The Church is to be a community of faith, entrusting itself to God alone, even at the risk of losing its life.

The Church is to be a community of hope,
rejoicing in the sure and certain knowledge that, in
Christ, God is making a new creation.

The Church is to be a community of love,
where sin is forgiven, reconciliation is accomplished,
and the dividing walls of hostility are torn down.

The Church is to be a community of witness,
pointing beyond itself through word and work
to the good news of God's transforming grace in
Christ Jesus its Lord.

With all Christians of the Church catholic, we affirm that the Church is "one, holy, catholic, and apostolic."

Where Christ is, there is the true Church.

We affirm that, in the power of the Spirit, the Church is faithful to the mission of Christ as it proclaims and hears the Word of God, administers and receives the Sacraments, and nurtures a covenant community of disciples of Christ.

#### The great ends of the Church are:

- † the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind;
- † the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship;
- † the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness;
- † and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

#### STATEMENT ON ORDINATION

We are all called into the church of Jesus Christ by baptism, and marked as Christ's own by the Holy Spirit. This is our common calling, to be disciples of Jesus Christ and servants of our servant Lord.

Within the community of the church, some are called to particular service as deacons, as ruling elders, and as ministers of Word and Sacrament.

Ordination is Christ's gift to the church, assuring that his ministry continues among us. Through ordination, God provides for acts of care and compassion in the world, for the ordering and governance of the church, and for the preaching of the word and celebration of the sacraments.

#### For Deacons to Be Installed

Representing the one holy catholic and apostolic church, the session of Cary Presbyterian Church now installs Peg Giesbrecht to active service in this congregation.

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

As God calls some to particular forms of ministry, God calls us all to bear gladly the yoke of Christ given in the covenant of Baptism.

Let us, therefore, reaffirm our baptismal vows, renouncing all that opposes God and God's rule and affirming the faith of the holy catholic church.

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? **I do.** 

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? **I do.** 

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love? **I will, with God's help.** 

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

#### THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Gracious and eternal God, with joy we give you thanks and praise.

We praise you for leading your people Israel through the waters of the sea, out of bondage and into freedom in the land of your promise.

We praise you for sending Jesus your Son, who for us was baptized in the waters of the Jordan, and was anointed as the Christ by your Holy Spirit. Through the baptism of his death and resurrection you set us free from the bondage of sin and death, and give us cleansing and rebirth.

We praise you for pouring out your Holy Spirit, who teaches us and leads us into all truth, filling us with a variety of gifts, that we might proclaim the gospel to all nations and serve you as a royal priesthood.

We rejoice that you have claimed us in our baptism and anointed us for service in Christ's name, and that by your grace we are born anew.

By your Holy Spirit renew us, that we may be empowered to do your will and continue forever in the risen life of Christ, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all glory and honor, now and forever. **Amen.** 

#### **CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS**

In baptism, you were claimed by the love of God, clothed in the grace of Jesus Christ, and anointed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit to share Christ's mission in the world.

Now you are called by God through the voice of the church for new service and ministry in Jesus 'name.

In accordance with the Constitution of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), show your commitment to this calling by responding to these questions:

Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? **I do.** 

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? **I do.** 

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? **I do and I will.** 

Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our Confessions? **I will.** 

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline?
Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them,
subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? **I will.** 

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? **I will.** 

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church? **I do.** 

Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? **I will.** 

#### For Deacons

Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.** 

#### For the Congregation

Do we, the members of the church, accept Peg Giesbrecht as our deacon, chosen by God through the voice of this congregation to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.** 

Do we agree to pray for her, to encourage her, to respect her decisions, and to follow as she guides us, serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.** 

#### PRAYER OF INSTALLATION

Gracious and eternal God, with joy we give you thanks and praise.

Throughout the ages and in every place you have chosen servants from among your people to point the way to salvation by your grace.

We are grateful for ancestors in the faith who followed without fear, placing their trust in you alone—for judges and monarchs who ruled in righteousness and peace;

for prophets and apostles who spoke your bold words of mercy and of truth; for leaders and teachers in every age who have nurtured your people in faith and faithfulness.

Above all, we praise you for Jesus Christ, who came not to be served, but to serve, and to give his life to set others free. Anointed by your Holy Spirit, he proclaimed your reign on earth, revealing your saving love in all he said and did.

#### At the Installation of Deacons

Give Peg a spirit of truthfulness that she may show the compassion of Christ in the actions of daily living and rightly govern your people.

By the gifts of your Holy Spirit empower them to build up the church, to strengthen the common life of your people, and to lead with compassion and vision.

In the walk of faith and for the work of ministry, give to all your servants gladness and strength, discipline and hope, humility, humor, and courage, and an abiding sense of your presence.

Gracious God, pour out your Spirit of power and truth upon the whole church, that we may be for you a holy people baptized to serve you in the world.

Sustain your church in ministry. Ground us in the gospel, secure our hope in Christ, strengthen our service to the outcast, and increase our love for one another. Show us the transforming power of your grace in our life together, that we may be effective servants of the gospel, offering a compelling witness in the world to the good news of Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### **DECLARATION OF INSTALLATION**

Peg Giesbrecht you are our deacon, ordained to ministries of service and governance in the church of Jesus Christ and for this congregation.

#### **WELCOME**

#### **CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED**

**Presbytery of New Hope Older Adult Award** 

Donna Adkins

**Time with Our Children** 

Jen Pierce

#### **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 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.

#### Responding

#### Offering

#### The Lord's Supper

#### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

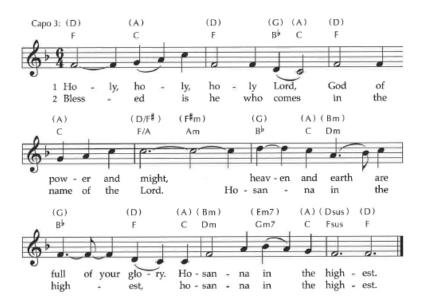




#### **Great Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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:



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:



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



#### **Blessing and Charge**

#### **Sharing the Peace of Christ**

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

**Postlude** Postlude in G Major Handel

This Week's Floral
Dedication
Flowers in the Sanctuary
are given by Jane Dunbar to
the glory of God, in loving
memory of Virginia Dunbar.



#### Today's Worship Service Participants

Minister: Rev. Dr. Paul Lang
Music Director: Ed Yasick
Vocal Ensemble: Julie Henry, Jane Dunbar, Len Clark, John Scott
Time with Our Children: Jen Pierce
Ushers: John Hansen, David Bohm
Graphics: Beth Cleveland; Tech: Craig Anderson, Troy Burton
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#### Faith Formation Conversations for All

Join members of the Faith Formation Team for a conversation about planning for the fall. What will Sunday School look like? Will it be on Sunday? If the pandemic has taught us anything, it's that we can be creative and flexible about how we come together as a church family.

We will gather to hear from you on Sunday, May 2 from 3:00-4:00 p.m., outside on the side lawn. We welcome anyone who wants to have input into the planning process! If you're not yet ready for an in-person gathering and would like to contribute to the conversation, please let <u>Alan</u> or <u>Jen</u> know so we can schedule a Zoom session as well.

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Website and Online Member Directory: www.carypresbyterian.org		
Sunday, May 2 5th Sunday of Easter	10:00 a.m.	Online Worship Service Worship Service streamed live on Cary Presbyterian Church Facebook page:  https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/
Monday, May 3		We have resumed limited gatherings on church grounds in accordance with state guidelines,
Tuesday, May 4		Watch E-Link and our website for updates, SignUpGenius links for services, and Zoom meeting info as provided to the office.
Wednesday, May 5		
Thursday, May 6		
Friday, May 7		
Saturday, May 8		
Sunday, May 9 6th Sunday of Easter	10:00 a.m.	Online Worship Service Worship Service streamed live on Cary Presbyterian Church Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/">https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/</a>

#### The New CPC Logo

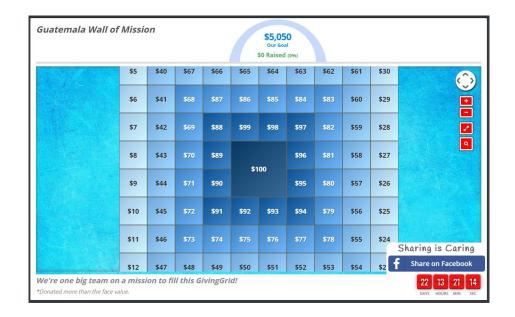
This year, the Communications Team undertook the challenge of updating the Cary Presbyterian Church logo. We enlisted the help of Jillian Dunbar, an accomplished graphic and visual artist who grew up at CPC and has shared her creative talent with our congregation in many ways over the years. We asked her to describe the process and the new design.

When we began the discussion about the redesign of the Cary Presbyterian Church logo, our goal was to blend foundational aspects of our church community – intellect, rebirth, modernity and tradition, the natural surroundings, and church symbolism.

As I thought about the visual aspects of the physical church building, I was drawn to the distinctive cross in the sanctuary and how the shapes mimic the C and P of the church initials. With that in mind, I chose to blend the clean, simple lines of modern lettering with the iconic Celtic cross to symbolize the modern church family built on traditional roots. The color palette is built around a vibrant green, to represent the natural world that is such a visible aspect of our church campus.

Thank you, Jillian, for sharing your gifts and talents with us!

CPC Communications Team Melinda Crouse, Julie Henry, Katy Frazer, Lloyd Hinnant, John Campbell, Paul Lang, and Phil Melton



#### Wall of Mission for our Guatemalan Ministry

Last year we couldn't hold our annual Wall of Mission which supports the annual mission trips, life-changing scholarship program, computer lab, Guatemalan staff, and more. Your ongoing financial support has been, and is, crucial to this relationship.

Even though COVID prevented a mission trip in 2020, 22 student scholarships continued, the computer center remained open, and the 2nd floor balustrade for the church was completed. This year our Wall of Mission (pictured below) is online.

#### Go to the link at <a href="https://www.givinggrid.com/fnwexd/">https://www.givinggrid.com/fnwexd/</a> to give.

Please help continue this important mission. Like the envelopes of previous years, pick an amount (or two!) which range from \$1 all the way through \$100, in single-dollar increments.

Or, you can donate DIRECTLY through the CPC website or right here! A Wall of Mission Board is also at church in the Narthex.



# Text to Give: Now Active We are pleased to provide our members and friends an additional way to give with Text to Give

It is a simple process:

#### **Get Started**

- Enter our 10-digit text number and the amount you wish to donate, then press send.
- The text number is 844-956-4226
- Be sure to use the \$ with your gift amount
- The minimum gift is \$3

#### Register

- Once you send your gift, you will receive a registration link.
- Enter your contact and payment information. The application accepts debit and credit cards only, not bank accounts.
- Tap "process"

#### Give

• After registration is complete, you will receive a verification text as well as a receipt via email

#### Repeat

• For future giving, simply send a text with the amount you wish to give and it will process automatically!

Currently, all of the gifts received will be applied to Planned Giving. Look for more options in the coming months.

If you have any questions, please contact Barbara Carew, finance manager, at <u>barbara.carew@carypresbyterian.org</u>, or call the Church Office.

### Notes. Prayers. or Scribbles



#### **Spring 2021 Worship Service Reservation Sign-up**

The ReGathering Task Force and Music & Worship Ministry teams are pleased to announce that Cary Presbyterian Church has resumed limited, in-person worship in the Sanctuary on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. (We will continue to closely monitor state regulations and feedback from the congregation, and make adjustments as needed.)

Attendance is limited to 40 worshipers per service. Reservations are required. Please be considerate of others who may wish to attend and refrain from signing up for consecutive Sundays.

#### Sign-up at SignUpGenius at: https://tinyurl.com/5xyth9bh

(Facemasks will be required, safe seating will be marked, and postworship fellowship will take place in the courtyard or under the portico.) Worship will continue to be live-streamed to Facebook for those who are not comfortable or able to attend in person.

A Waiting List is provided for each date in case the service reaches capacity and there is a cancellation. (Adding your name to the Waiting List for a service will not guarantee seating if cancellations occur. However, it will provide a record of who and how many would like to attend if possible.)