



The World's Smallest Seed by James B. Janknegt

WORSHIP SERVICE
3RD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JUNE 13, 2021
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ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10:00 A.M.

Gathering

Gathering Chime

Prelude

Hymne

Vangelis

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

There Is Now a New Creation (v.5)

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***There is now a new creation through the grace of Jesus Christ.
Sing, with thanks and adoration, to the God of endless life!***

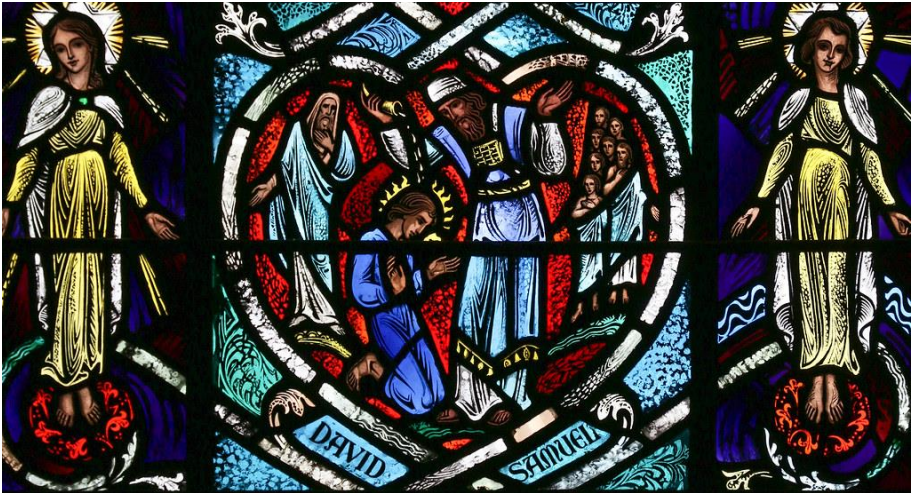
Call to Worship (*Mark 4:31–32*)

The kingdom of God is like a mustard seed,
which is the smallest of seeds on earth;

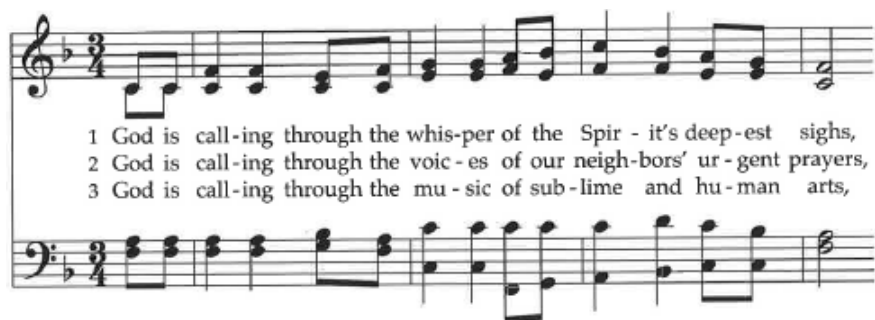
**it grows up and becomes the greatest of shrubs,
and the birds of the air make nests in its shade.**

Give thanks to God, whose promised reign is coming.

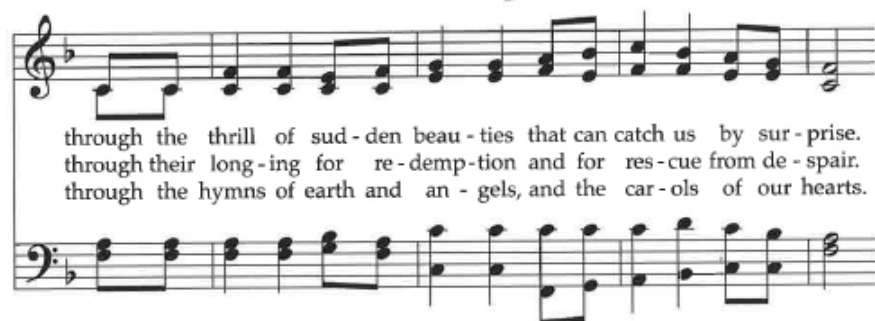
Thanks be to God!



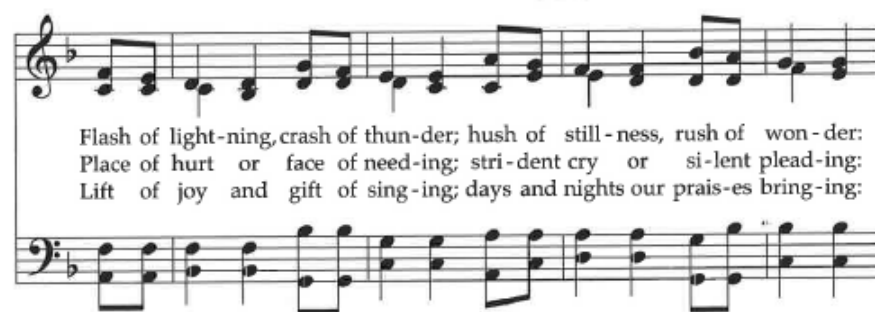
David Anointed as King by Charles Connick, Grace Cathedral, San Francisco



1 God is call-ing through the whis-per of the Spir - it's deep-est sighs,
 2 God is call-ing through the voic-es of our neigh-bors' ur-gent prayers,
 3 God is call-ing through the mu-sic of sub-lime and hu-man arts,



through the thrill of sud-den beau-ties that can catch us by sur-prise.
 through their long-ing for re-demp-tion and for res-cue from de-spair.
 through the hymns of earth and an-gels, and the car-ols of our hearts.



Flash of light-ning, crash of thun-der; hush of still-ness, rush of won-der:
 Place of hurt or face of need-ing; stri-dent cry or si-lent plead-ing:
 Lift of joy and gift of sing-ing; days and nights our prais-es bring-ing:



God is call-ing—can you hear? God is call-ing—can you hear?
 God is call-ing—can you hear? God is call-ing—can you hear?
 God is call-ing—and we hear! God is call-ing—and we hear!

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Holy God, the parable of the mustard seed
teaches us that a little faith can produce great work
in your kingdom.
Yet we are too timid to bear the fruit of
your righteousness,
for we walk by sight and not by faith.
Forgive us, Lord;
we do not uphold the poor or the oppressed.
We do not advocate for the powerless or the voiceless.
We do not sacrifice ourselves for the needs of
our neighbors.
Renew us with the love of Christ
so that we live no longer for ourselves,
but for Christ who became the seed of your
righteousness in us. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Word

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading

Mark 4:26-34

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Musical Offering *Lord, I Stretch My Hands to You* Althouse
*Choir Ensemble: Lori Greco, Ann Johnson, Alice Williams,
Greg Czika, Bob Johnson, Matthew Simmons*

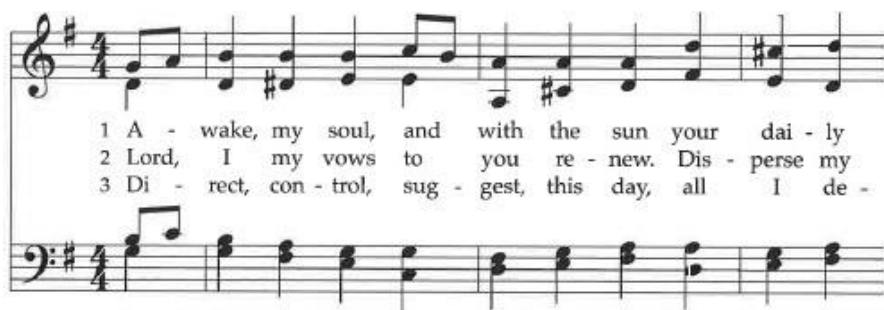
Second Reading

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

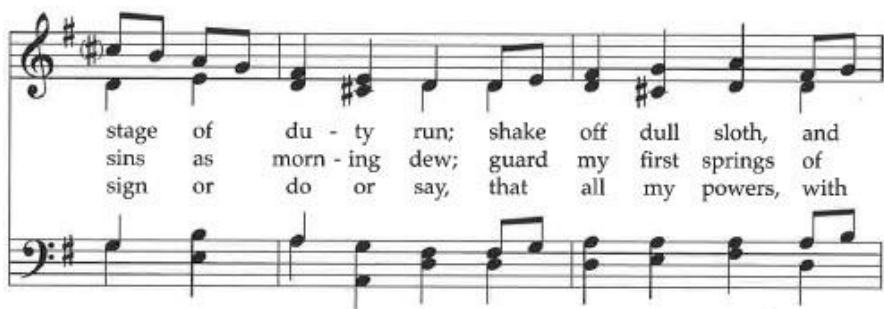
The Message

A Cow, A Coup, and a Comely King

Paul Lang



1 A - wake, my soul, and with the sun your dai - ly
 2 Lord, I my vows to you re - new. Dis - perse my
 3 Di - rect, con - trol, sug - gest, this day, all I de -



stage of du - ty run; shake off dull sloth, and
 sins as morn - ing dew; guard my first springs of
 sign or do or say, that all my powers, with



joy - ful rise to pay your morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
 thought and will, and with your - self my spir - it fill.
 all their might, in your sole glo - ry may u - nite.

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 God,
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments.
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth,
exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.
In everlasting love,
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.
Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.
Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.**

**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.**

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 kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed by Paul Sutcliffe

Sending

Hymn

May God Support You All Your Days

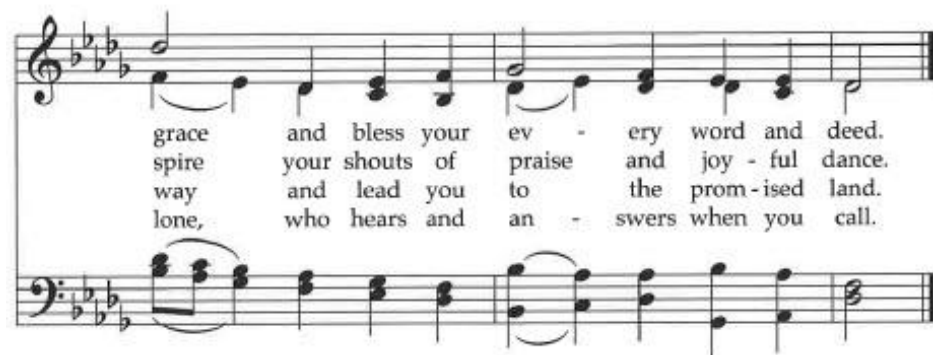
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1 May God sup - port you all your days, in times of
2 May God con - firm your heart's de - sire and bring to
3 May God be near you when you pray, to help you
4 Our hope is in the Ho - ly One. The swift and



glad - ness and in need. May God re - mem - ber you with
full - ness all your plans. May God's sus - tain - ing love in -
with a gen - tle hand. May God for - ev - er guide your
strong will sure - ly fall, but you will stand with God a -



grace and bless your ev - ery word and deed.
spire your shouts of praise and joy - ful dance.
way and lead you to the prom - ised land.
lone, who hears and an - swers when you call.

Blessing and Charge

Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

Postlude

The Heavens Declare the Glory of God

Marcello

Today's Worship Service Participants

Minister: Rev. Dr. Paul Lang; Rev. Alan Bancroft

Music Director: Ed Yasick

Special Music: Choir Ensemble: Lori Greco, Ann Johnson, Alice Williams,
Greg Czika, Bob Johnson, Matthew Simmons

Time with Our Children: Jen Pierce

Usher: Sandy and Duncan Hutchinson

Graphics: TBD Tech: Craig Anderson

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This Week's Floral Dedication

*Flowers in the Sanctuary
are given to the glory of God
in honor of Betty Robinson's birthday
by Charlie Robinson.*



Worship Service Reservation Sign-up

The ReGathering Task Force and Music & Worship Ministry teams are pleased to announce that limited, in-person worship capacity has increased in the Sanctuary on Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. ***We now allow up to 75 people in the Sanctuary for Sunday morning worship.*** Reservations are required by signing up at the link given below.

Facemasks are still required and safe seating will be marked. Post-worship fellowship is encouraged to take place outdoors in the courtyard, under the portico, or elsewhere.

Worship will continue to be live-streamed to Facebook for those who are not comfortable or able to attend in person, and is also available later on the CPC website. A Waiting List is provided for each date in case the service reaches capacity and there is a cancellation.

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



Esperanza
De Guatemala



(If you order in person, be sure to present the flyer with code FundA visible, either by pulling the email up on your phone or presenting a printed copy.)

For an online order to count for Esperanza, please apply code FundA prior to checkout.)

It's a great day to eat barbeque! Hope to see you there!

Reminder! Esperanza BBQ Fundraiser,

next Thursday, June 17

Esperanza de Guatemala is having a fundraiser at City Barbeque Cary on June 17 from 11 a.m. - 9 p.m! Head over to show your support and enjoy BBQ and fellowship!

We'll get 20% of sales from everyone who uses our fundraiser code when they order in person, at order.citybbq.com/menu/cary, or in the City BBQ app!

**Present the barcode below
at the register!**





CPC with ASP: Virginia in June!

For 29 years, Cary Presbyterian Church has partnered with Appalachia Service Project. This year, 20 CPC volunteers will work in Wise County, VA from June 20 - 26. Your donations of cash and snacks are of great help to us each year.

Please consider making a financial donation in one of the following ways:

- **Online on the CPC Website.** There's a box just for ASP Stock Sales at tinyurl.com/32rwxx9c
- **Text to Give:** Text the dollar amount and ASP to 844-956-4226. (Example: 100 ASP).
- **Bring or mail a check** made out to Cary Presbyterian Church with ASP Stock Gift on the memo line.

You can help provide snacks that 2021 trip participants have named as favorites. These include: Peanut M&Ms, Chips Ahoy cookies, mixed nuts, crunchy energy bars, Rice Krispies treats, Sun Chips, Nature Valley Peanut Butter Wafers, Cheez-Its, Fig Newtons, Oreos, beef jerky, mandarin orange cups, fruit snacks, Nacho Cheese Doritos, Goldfish. Cases of water and Gatorade are also always in high demand. **These may be left in the lobby in front of the Church Office under the ASP Donation signs.**

The team leaves for Virginia on June 20 so all snacks need to be donated by this coming Friday, June 18.

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Website and Online Member Directory: www.carypresbyterian.org

Sunday, June 13	10:00 a.m.	Online Worship Service Worship Service streamed live on Cary Presbyterian Church Facebook page.
Monday, June 14		
Tuesday, June 15		We have resumed limited gatherings on church grounds in accordance with state guidelines, Check Events on the CPC app, E-Link, and the CPC website for updates, SignUpGenius links for services, and Zoom meeting info as provided to the office.
Wednesday, June 16		
Thursday, June 17		
Friday, June 18		
Saturday, June 19		
Sunday, June 20	10:00 a.m.	Online Worship Service Worship Service streamed live on Cary Presbyterian Church Facebook page.



The Christian Prayer Toolbox: Throughout June!

June 5, 12, 19, 26, and July 10 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

We are admonished in scripture to “pray always,” and yet anyone who has attempted a life of prayer knows how difficult it can be to pray as often and as gladly as we might wish. The Christian tradition has preserved for us many forms of prayer and this course is offered in the hope that you will add some new “tools” to your prayer toolbox.

Some of the forms of prayer (like intercession) will likely be familiar to most people. But others (praying with icons or practicing the examen, for example) may be new to you. We will explore five different prayer forms in this course – one per week – and pastor Paul will give instruction and history of the prayer and encourage you to try it out for a time.

This class is meant to be a “taste and see” class for the Pilgrimage ministry at CPC. Come join us! Sign up at: <https://tinyurl.com/jsydr5xf>

Detail sheet on the course is available in the Narthex.