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WORSHIP SERVICE FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT MARCH 19, 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 Largo in D Minor Vivaldi

Welcome and Announcements

Introit We Seek You with Our Questions, O God (v.4)

KINGSFOLD 8.6.8.6 D (Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples)

You seek us with your questions, God, inviting us to dare to know you and to love you more, to grow through act and prayer. "Who will you trust and follow now? My truth is all around."
You seek us with your questions, God, you seek and we are found.

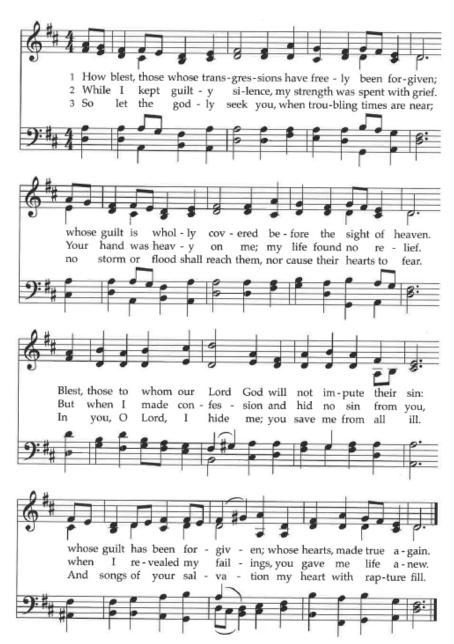
*Call to Worship

God does not see as mortals see. We look on the outward appearance; God looks on the heart.

Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!

Once we lived in darkness, but now—as children of light, we are called to what is good and right and true.

Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!



*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God,

we are people who still love darkness rather than light.

We keep shameful deeds secret,

but flaunt our occasional acts of virtue.

We see ourselves as blameless,

but pass judgment on others.

We do not stand firmly enough with those who are vulnerable,

but step back, protecting ourselves.

Forgive us, we pray.

Bring us into your light that we may see ourselves rightly.

Bring us into your light that we may know ourselves loved.

Bring us into your light that we may live more fruitful lives.

Keep raising us, we pray, from the deadness of sin, and shine upon us with your grace.

We pray in the name of Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Silent Confession



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*Assurance of Pardon



Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 9:1-41

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

The Message Seeking: Who Sinned? Paul Lang



Book: The Girl with Big, Big Questions by Britney Winn Lee

Reception of New Members

Presentation Profession of Faith

Renunciations

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.**

*Profession

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

Welcome to this ministry that we share in Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

Responding

Offering of Tithes and Gifts

Offertory All I Know Purifoy
Chancel Choir

Born in darkness, blind from birth, days as dim as night, 'Til the Savior touched my eyes, awakening my sight. How it happened, mystery deep, I can never prove. All I know is Jesus did what no one else could do.

I don't know the secrets of the universe, how the earth and heavens came to be.

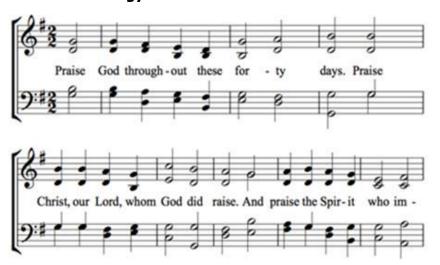
All I know is I was blind, but now I see. All I know is Christ changed me.

Eyes wide opened, now behold beauty missed before. Since the Savior touched my life, my joy has been restored. Why he chose to make me whole, I don't comprehend. All I know is Jesus healed what no one else could mend.

I don't know the secrets of the universe, how the earth and heavens came to be.

All I know is I was bound, but now I'm free. All I know is Christ changed me.

*Lenten Doxology





Prayer of Dedication

Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Lord in your goodness: Hear our praise; Lord in your mercy: Hear our prayer.

Prayer 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 We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight (vv. 1-3) No. 817



*Blessing and Charge

*Response We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight (v. 4) No. 817 (See previous hymn)

*Postlude in C Minor Norsa

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

Today's Worship Service Participants

Minister: Rev. Paul Lang
Music Director: Ed Yasick
Choir: Chancel Choir
Acolyte: Lorraine Bullis
Lay Reader: Rhonda Carlile
Time with Our Children: Jen Pierce
Ushers: Al Hardie, Beth Cleveland,
Jessica Cadwallader, Mary Walker
Tech: Hunter Piermont
Slides: Beth Cleveland
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for deeper faith

Lenten Opportunities at Cary Presbyterian

During the season of Lent, our community of faith offers a variety of ways to pursue a deeper connection with God, others, and self. Worship and faith formation offerings are inspired by resources from the folks at *A Sanctified Art*, entitled *Seeking: Honest Questions for Deeper Faith*. Along with various gatherings at CPC during Lent, we hope these at-home resources will be helpful as well.

Lenten Devotional (Online version at https://tinyurl.com/266ddhay)

This amazing resource contains scripture, commentary, poetry, visual art, and written reflections. Our Faith Formation Offerings offer weekly opportunities to join conversations at CPC about the content of this devotional.

Daily Devotional Cards

These simple and easy to use daily devotional cards include a reminder/affirmation for building a daily rhythm of prayer.

Seeking Spotify Playlist (Listen at https://tinyurl.com/38c95k3k)

This playlist, cultivated by *A Sanctified Art*, covers a wide range of genres, themes, and musical styles. May this serve as the soundtrack for your Lenten season.

Printed copies of the Lenten Devotional and Prayer Cards are available in the Narthex. Stay connected with the CPC App for devotionals, prayers, commentary, poetry, and art connected to the Seeking resources.

THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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| Sunday, | 9:15 a.m. | The Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall) |
| March 19 | 9:30 a.m. | Faith Formation Classes (All Ages) |
| 4th Sunday | 10:30 a.m. | Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online |
| of Lent | 5:00 p.m. | Lenten Reflections Group (Parlor) |
| Monday, | 11:00 a.m. | Staff Meeting (Parlor) |
| March 20 | 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 (Zoom) |
| Tuesday, | 10:00 a.m. | Triple F (CPC Library) |
| March 21 | 7:00 p.m. | Scout Troop 232 (Youth Area) |
| | 7:00 p.m. | Budget and Finance Team (Zoom) |
| Wednesday, | 7:00 p.m. | Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room) |
| March 22 | 7:30 p.m. | Wednesday Night Virtual Class (Zoom) |
| Thursday, | 6:00 p.m. | Duke Health MBSR Group (Youth Area) |
| March 23 | 7:00 p.m. | Cary Mindfulness Group (Parlor) |
| Friday, | 7:00 p.m. | Courage, Strength, & Hope (Library) |
| March 24 | | |
| Saturday, | | |
| March 25 | | |
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| Sunday, | 9:15 a.m. | The Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall) |
| March 26 | 9:30 a.m. | Faith Formation Classes (All Ages) |
| 4th Sunday | 10:30 a.m. | Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online |
| of Lent | 5:00 p.m. | Lenten Reflections Group (Parlor) |



Date: Saturday, March 25

Time: 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Place: CPC Fellowship Hall Cost: \$5 per person, maximum \$20 per family Please consider bringing a dessert to share.

Trivia buffs and anyone up for a good time: all are invited to join in the fun of the first CPC Trivia Night! Enjoy dinner and fellowship, then our MC, Richard Wood, will lead team trivia with questions from pop culture to history and sports. Groups will be randomly assigned to assure *Jeopardy* devotees are well-dispersed. Childcare will be provided for ages 10 and under: older youth are invited to join the trivia fun. And yes, there will be prizes! Sign up at the SignUpGenius link in Elink or scan the QR code here.



