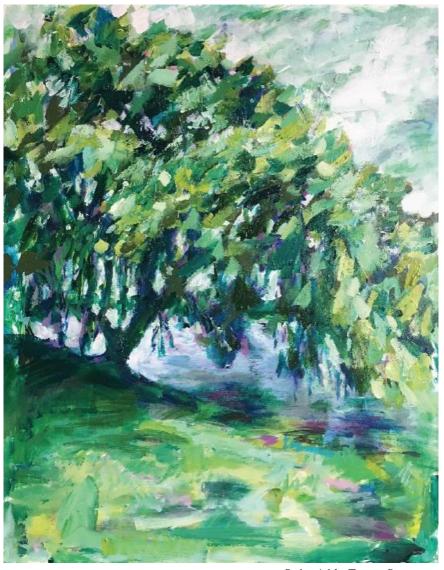
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Psalms 1:3 by Tamara Brown

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Welcome and Announcements

Introit In the Bulb, There Is a Flower (v. 1) No. 250

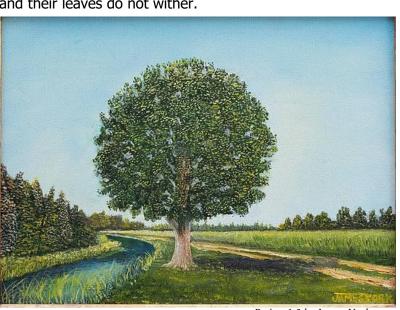
In the bulb there is a flower; in the seed, an apple tree; in cocoons, a hidden promise; butterflies will soon be free! In the cold and snow of winter there's a spring that waits to be, unrevealed until its season, something God alone can see.

Call to Worship (1 John 4:16,19)

Happy are those who do not ridicule and scoff but who delight in God's teachings and meditate on them day and night.

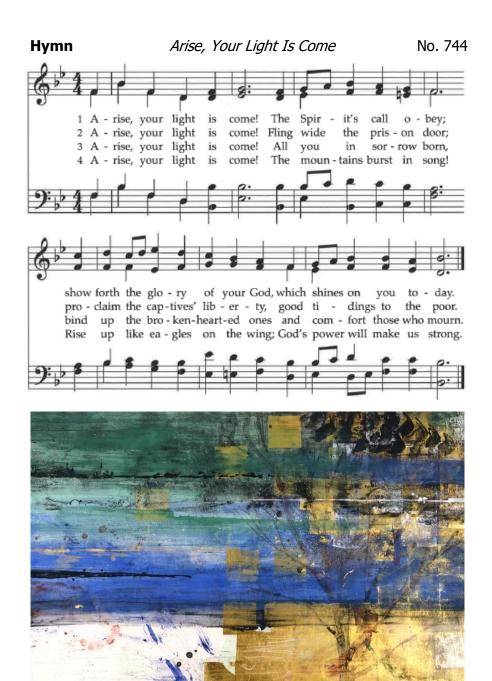
They are like trees planted by streams of water.

They yield fruit in due season, and their leaves do not wither.



Psalms 1:3 by James York

Ps. 1:1-3



Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

God, though you call us to delight in your teachings, we can become cynical and full of doubt. Do not judge us, we pray, but heal us and restore us to you. Guard us and protect us from evil, and sanctify us in truth;

John 17:15, 17

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

in Jesus' name. Amen.

Word

Prayer for Illumination

First Reading 1 John 5:9-13

One: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Musical Offering Happy Are They Schoenbachler

Bob Johnson, soloist

Second Reading Psalm 1

The Message The Pursuit of Happiness Paul Lang



Affirmation 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.

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

Sending





Blessing and Charge

Sharing the Peace of Christ

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

Postlude All' Offertorio Zipoli

Today's Worship Service Participants

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

Music Director: Ed Yasick Vocal Solo: Bob Johnson

Time with Our Children: Jen Pierce

Ushers: Tom Bolick, Ellen Govert

Graphics: Kirsten Nielsen; Tech: Craig Anderson, Ken Worsham

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This Week's Floral Dedication

Flowers in the Sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Meredith McGill and Jerry Slaymaker, in loving memory of Meredith's mother, Mabel Hamilton McGill.



THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH		
Website and Online Member Directory: www.carypresbyterian.org		
Sunday, May 16 7th Sunday of Easter Monday, May 17	10:00 a.m.	Online Worship Service Worship Service streamed live on Cary Presbyterian Church Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/ We have resumed limited gatherings on church grounds in accordance with state guidelines,
Tuesday, May 18		Watch E-Link and our website for updates, SignUpGenius links for services, and Zoom meeting info as provided to the office.
Wednesday, May 19		
Thursday, May 20		
Friday, May 21		
Saturday, May 22	_	
Sunday, May 23 Day of Pentecost	10:00 a.m.	Online Worship Service Worship Service streamed live on Cary Presbyterian Church Facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/carypresbyterianchurch/





MEMORIALS & ENDOWMENTS 2021 GRANT CYCLE

The Memorials & Endowment Committee Announces Grant Cycle for 2021 Application Deadline: June 18, 2021

Is there a mission or faith-based activity you are passionate about, but it is not yet sponsored through the CPC budget? If so, a grant awarded by the Memorials & Endowment Committee is a great way to obtain capital needed to foster such a project.

The purpose of an M&E grant is to provide resources to support faith-based initiatives. These initiatives must align with the overall purpose of the Endowment Fund, which is to provide opportunities for members to support the benevolent, educational, and mission work of the whole church.

New this year: Normally M&E grants are short-term, non-recurring grants. The committee is experimenting this year with a new approach and will entertain grants that may need funding over 2-3 years. We hope this approach will open new possibilities and spur creativity. However, grants are still not intended to replace existing operational church budgets.

Not sure if a certain initiative falls within the parameters of the grant guidelines? Please review guidelines <u>at https://tinyurl.com/5creja2y</u> or contact one of the committee members with this or any other questions regarding the application process.

The application deadline is Friday June 18 and approved grants will be announced by August 15, with funds disbursed by September 15 or as needed thereafter. Grant applications can be found online at https://tinyurl.com/bv5ww6v8 (Applications and guidelines are also available in the church office.)

The M&E Committee looks forward to reviewing your grant, Donna Adkins, Barbara Carew, Elizabeth Guthrie, Tim Goettel, and Scott Peoples (Team Lead).



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 worshippers 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 post-worship 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.)



Contemplative Retreat: October 12 -18

This October *The Pilgrimage* ministry is offering a weeklong contemplative retreat at Trinity Center in Salter Path, NC. The brochure at https://tinyurl.com/t73umejp provides much more detail.

The proclure at https://tinyuri.com/t/sumejp provides much more detail. The retreat is hosted by *The Pilgrimage* of Fargo, ND, but there will likely be participants from all the congregations in this ministry. Built around a contemplative pace where you will have time every day to simply "be," the retreat offers an opportunity to become more familiar with *The Pilgrimage* ministry which is starting here at CPC.

Pastor Paul will lead daily sessions of the theme of Wind & Waves, Stars & Sand — The Promises of God Writ Large. You will have daily times of prayer, small group, and rest in the gorgeous setting of Trinity Center. If you have questions be sure to reach out to Pastor Paul, he'll be glad to talk with you about this opportunity!



Take a look - at our new look!

CPC enters a new digital age with a fresh new look for our website and the introduction of a mobile app (shown below). With the support of Rev. Paul Lang, the communications team, led by Melinda Crouse, built our new digital assets with member and visitor engagement in mind.

The church <u>calendar</u> is easy to navigate, with descriptions easy to find. The website includes invitations for information requests about programs and opportunities. A sermon library is available on both the website and the app. The app provides quick ways to communicate with church staff and each other, including a link to the CPC member directory log-in page and a one-click option to submit prayer requests. For a PDF fact-sheet with a full introduction to using the new CPC app and website, answers to questions, and instructional video links, go to: https://tinyurl.com/3edtsarr







