

Cary Presbyterian Church



*River of Grace* by Lisle Gwynn Garrity

**WORSHIP SERVICE**  
RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS  
FEBRUARY 18, 2024  
FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT  
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# ORDER OF WORSHIP – 10:30 A.M.

## Gathering

(\* Please stand as you are able.)

### Gathering Chime

**Prelude**

*Largo*

Vivaldi

### Welcome and Announcements

**\*Introit**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing (v. 2)*

Russell

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I'm come;  
And I hope by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.

*Jesus sought me* when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;  
He to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

**\*Call to Worship**

Come in.  
Feel your feet on the floor.  
Settle your worries.  
Take a deep breath.  
Dust the cobwebs from your ears.  
Relax the tension in your jaw,  
**for Christ is here.**  
**God never stops seeking us.**  
We have been found.  
**Let us find God in return.**  
Let us worship the God of deep waters.  
**Amen.**

**\*Hymn**

*Lord, Who throughout These Forty Days*

No. 166

**\*Call to Confession**

## \*Prayer of Confession

Loving God,  
You call us by name.  
You join us in the deep waters of life.  
You invite us to drop our nets and follow you,  
and yet, more often than we'd like to admit,  
we are like Peter.  
Over and over again, we stand slack jawed  
and surprised  
to find you in our midst.  
Forgive us for drowning out your voice with our own.  
Forgive us for assuming that we can tackle deep waters  
by ourselves.  
Forgive us for forgetting that you will never stop  
climbing into our boat.  
Turn our hearts, our minds, and our spirits toward you,  
for you are the Lord our God,  
and it is in your name that we pray.  
Amen.

### *Silent Confession*

## \*Kyrie

*Lord Have Mercy Upon Us*

Arr. Johnson

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.

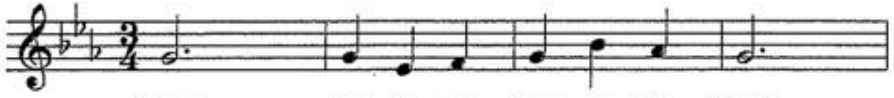
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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## \*Assurance of Pardon

**Response**

*Let Us Return to the Lord*



Come, let us re - turn to the Lord.



You who are torn, God will heal you; you who are



crushed, God will bind you up.

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**Word**

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Reading** Luke 5:1-11

One: This is the word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God.**

**Scripture Reading** Psalm 25:1-10

**The Message** *Wandering Heart: Jesus Sought Me* Paul Lang

**\*Hymn** *Lord, to You My Soul is Lifted* No. 420

**Presentation**

**Reception of New Members**

*Richard & Dana Crowell, Roger Garten, Jenny & Pat Lundergan & Lex, Juli Nûesch, Matthew & Becky Swora, Jim & Janice Utt*

## **\*Questions Affirming Baptismal Faith**

### **\*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.**

## **Sacrament of Baptism**

*Lex Lundergan, son of Jenny and Pat Lundergan*

## **Prayer of Thanksgiving Over the Water**

### **Baptism**

### **Prayer and Anointing**

### **Welcome**

Through baptism, Lex has been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church. Richard, Dana, Roger, Jenny, Pat, Juli, Matthew, Becky, Jim and Janice have reaffirmed the covenant into which they were baptized.

As members of the household of God, God has called them to serve Christ in the world.

Let us welcome them to this ministry.

**With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you  
to share with us in the ministry of Christ,  
for we are all one in him.**

## Responding

### Offering of Tithes and Gifts

#### Offertory

*There's a Wideness in God's Mercy*  
Chancel Choir; Sarah Lang, Violin

arr. Nix

*There's a wideness in God's mercy like the wideness of the sea;  
There's a kindness in God's justice which is more than liberty.*

*There is welcome for the sinner and more graces for the good;  
There is mercy with the Savior; there is healing in his blood.  
For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind;  
And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind.*

*My faith has found a resting place, not in device nor creed;  
I trust the Everlasting One, his wounds for me shall plead;  
I need no other argument, I need no other plea.  
It is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.*

#### \*Lenten Doxology

Praise God through-out these for - ty days. Praise

The first line of musical notation is in G major and 3/4 time. The treble clef staff contains a melody of eighth and quarter notes. The bass clef staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

Christ, our Lord, whom God did raise. And praise the Spir-it who im -

The second line of musical notation continues the melody and accompaniment from the first line.

parts God's love in Christ in - to our hearts. A - men.

The third line of musical notation concludes the piece with a double bar line. The melody ends on a half note, and the accompaniment provides a final chordal resolution.

## **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**                    *The Glory of These Forty Days (vv. 1-3)*                    No. 165

### **\*Blessing and Charge**

God sends us from this experience of worship  
to serve all those around us.

**We will go to take the light of hope  
into the shadowed corners in our midst.**

Jesus, the Beloved, invites us to join him  
in everyday life, in everyday service.

**We will go to be blessed by all those  
overlooked by the world.**

Glory's Spirit takes us by the hand  
to lead us down path of humility.

**We will enter into the mists of mistrust,  
so we can offer hope to many.**

\***Response**                    *The Glory of These Forty Days (v. 4)*                    No. 165  
*(See previous hymn)*

\***Postlude**                    *Prelude in D Minor*                    Bach

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

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

# THIS WEEK AT CARY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Sunday, February 18	9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m.	<b>Faith Formation: Pre-K -Grade 5 (C. Ed. Wing)</b> <b>Parlor Class (Parlor)</b> <b>Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall Annex)</b> <b>Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online</b> <b>Congregational Meeting after Worship</b> <b>'Liturgy of the Hours' Pilgrimage Course (FH)</b> <b>No Youth Choir or CA Activity Today</b>
Monday, February 19	11:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>Staff Meeting (Parlor)</b> <b>Girl Scout Troop 1951 (Youth Area)</b> <b>Girl Scout Troop 271 (Youth Area)</b> <b>Personnel Team (Zoom)</b> <b>Scout BSA Troop 232G (Fellowship Hall)</b> <b>Cub Scout Pack 232 Den Mtgs. (C. Ed. Building)</b>
Tuesday, February 20	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>Triple F (100)</b> <b>Budget &amp; Finance Team (Zoom)</b> <b>Scout Troop 232B (Youth Area)</b>
Wednesday, February 21	10:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>Prayer Shawl Knitting Group (Parlor)</b> <b>Health &amp; Wholeness Team (Zoom)</b> <b>Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)</b>
Thursday, February 22	1:00 p.m.	<b>Duke Mindfulness MBSR Group (Youth Area)</b>
Friday, February 23	2:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>Matthew Swora Meeting (100)</b> <b>Courage, Strength, &amp; Hope (Library)</b>
Saturday, February 24	9:00 p.m.  11:00 a.m.	<b>Stated Gathering of Presbytery of New Hope (CPC Campus)</b> <b>Associate Pastor Lunch (100)</b>
Sunday, February 25	9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 4:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	<b>Faith Formation: Pre-K -Grade 5 (C. Ed. Wing)</b> <b>Parlor Class (Parlor)</b> <b>Pastor's Class (Fellowship Hall Annex)</b> <b>Worship In-Person (Sanctuary) and Online</b> <b>Next Chapter Group (100)</b> <b>Youth Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)</b>

## Today's Worship Service Participants

**Minister:** Rev. Paul Lang

**Music Director:** Ed Yasick

**Choir:** Chancel Choir; **Violin:** Sarah Lang

**Acolyte:** Addy Archer

**Children's Time:** Jen Pierce

**Ushers:** Al Hardie, Beth Cleveland,  
Jessica Cadwallader, Valerie Cullen

**Tech:** Richard Wood, Ken Worsham

**Slides:** Su Johnson