Carmel Presbyterian Church Fifth Sunday after Pentecost July 10, 2022 10:00 AM



Order of Worship

* Please stand, as able.

Congregation voices **Bold** responses.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

We gather as a community of faith to meet God in new ways, and we reflect on the hope and promise of God's gift to us through Jesus Christ.

Welcome and Greetings -

Prelude

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King!" (Hymn tune: Darwall's 148th) Alfred V. Fedak (b. 1953)

* Call to Worship (Spoken responsively) -

Who is my neighbor?

The righteous and the unrighteous, the just and the wicked.

Who else is my neighbor?

The rich and the poor, the weak and the strong.

Is anyone else my neighbor?

The great and the small, the arrogant and the humble.

They are no different than I am!

You must love your neighbor as yourself!

Let us worship God.

* Hymn 430

"Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!"

Darwall's 148th

Call to Confession (Seated) -

Prayer of Confession (In unison; adapted from Luke 10) -

Let us pray.

We see them daily, Lord. We see them everywhere as we go about our business: the weak and the helpless, the abused and the homeless, the victims and the vanquished. We are no different from the men in your story—the ones who refused to help the beaten man on the road to Jericho. We too have passed by those in need on the other side of the road. We too have refused to help and have consciously chosen to remain uninvolved. Forgive our indifference. May we become like the outcast Samaritan, who did everything in his power to help the suffering. In your holy name, we pray...

(A moment of silence for personal reflection & confession...)

Amen. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Read responsively; adapted from Colossians 1) -

Friends, hear and believe the good news! We no longer belong to the power of darkness.

We belong to the kingdom of the Son of God, Christ Jesus, who has set us free and forgiven our sins

We remember the hope stored up for us in heaven—the hope that flamed into life when we first heard the good news; the hope of the glory to come; the hope we have in Christ Jesus.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen.

* Gloria Patri – Hymn 567

"Glory to the Father"

John Weaver

* Passing of the Peace (Spoken responsively; adapted from Colossians 1) -

Grace and peace to you!

Grace and peace to one another.

Grace and peace to the world!

Let us share this peace today as we pass the peace of Christ.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also with you.

(Greet one another sharing God's peace now and throughout the week.)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

We hear the stories of our faith in scripture, song, prayer, and sermon.

Children's Message -

(Following the Children's message, children in third grade and below are invited to depart for Children's Worship downstairs in Carmel Hall.)

Unison Prayer for Illumination (In unison) -

Let us pray.

Holy God, Living Word, you give us this message to show us your will. May the good news grow within us, that we may be filled with wisdom, spiritual understanding, and the knowledge of God. Amen.

First Reading —

The first lectionary reading is Deuteronomy, chapter 30, verses 9-14; p. 179). The word is near to you, in your mouth and heart for you to observe. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

The Lord your God will help you succeed in everything you do—in your own fertility, your livestock's offspring, and your land's produce—everything will be great! Because the Lord will once again enjoy doing good things for you just as he enjoyed doing them for your ancestors, and because you will be obeying the Lord your God's voice, keeping his commandments and his regulations that are written in this Instruction scroll, and because you will have returned to the Lord your God with all your heart and all your being.

This commandment that I'm giving you right now is definitely not too difficult for you. It isn't unreachable. It isn't up in heaven somewhere so that you have to ask, "Who will go up for us to heaven and get it for us that we can hear it and do it?" Nor is it across the ocean somewhere so that you have to ask, "Who will cross the ocean for us and get it for us that we can hear it and do it?" Not at all! The word is very close to you. It's in your mouth and in your heart, waiting for you to do it.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

(The hymn is based on the lectionary Psalm of the day: Psalm 25, verses 1-10; p. 475. Lead me in your truth, O Lord, and teach me; you are my salvation.)

New Testament Reading -

The second lectionary reading is Colossians, chapter 1, verses 1-14; p. 188. To the Colossians: we pray that you lead lives worthy of the Lord. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

From Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by God's will, and Timothy our brother.

To the holy and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae.

Grace and peace to you from God our Father.

We always give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you. We've done this since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and your love for all God's people. You have this faith and love because of the hope reserved for you in heaven. You previously heard about this hope through the true message, the good news, which has come to you. This message has been bearing fruit and growing among you since the day you heard and truly understood God's grace, in the same way that it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world. You learned it from Epaphras, who is the fellow slave we love and Christ's faithful minister for your sake. He informed us of your love in the Spirit.

Because of this, since the day we heard about you, we haven't stopped praying for you and asking for you to be filled with the knowledge of God's will, with all wisdom and spiritual understanding. We're praying this so that you can live lives that are worthy of the Lord and pleasing to him in every way: by producing fruit in every good work and growing in the knowledge of God; by being strengthened through his glorious might so that you endure everything and have patience; and by giving thanks with joy to the Father. He made it so you could take part in the inheritance, in light granted to God's holy people. He rescued us from the control of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son he loves. He set us free through the Son and forgave our sins.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

New Testament Gospel Reading -

The gospel reading from the lectionary is Luke, chapter 10, verses 25-37; p. 67. The great commandment and a good Samaritan: who is my neighbor? Listen now for the Word of God to you!

A legal expert stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to gain eternal life?"

Jesus replied, "What is written in the Law? How do you interpret it?"

He responded, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your being, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and love your neighbor as yourself."

Jesus said to him, "You have answered correctly. Do this and you will live."

But the legal expert wanted to prove that he was right, so he said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?"

Jesus replied, "A man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. He encountered thieves, who stripped him naked, beat him up, and left him near death. Now it just so happened that a priest was also going down the same road. When he saw the injured man, he crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. Likewise, a Levite came by that spot, saw the injured man, and crossed over to the other side of the road and went on his way. A Samaritan, who was on a journey, came to where the man was. But when he saw him, he was moved with compassion. The Samaritan went to him and bandaged his wounds, tending them with oil and wine. Then he placed the wounded man on his own donkey, took him to an inn, and took care of him. The next day, he took two full days' worth of wages and gave them to the innkeeper. He said, 'Take care of him, and when I return, I will pay you back for any additional costs.' What do you think? Which one of these three was a neighbor to the man who encountered thieves?"

Then the legal expert said, "The one who demonstrated mercy toward him."

Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

"Caring Enough to Love?"

Pastor Peter

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Inspired by the promise of God's Word, let us give our thanks and praise – so we may continue God's work as we move into God's week.

* Hymn 369

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

I'm Gonna Live

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession and The Lord's Prayer (Using 'debts' & 'debtors')

Invitation to the Offering -

(Our hearts are open, and our ministries are continuing seven days a week. Your contribution or pledge payment sustains our presence as the church to the community—both local and global. Please place your offering in the collection plate at the back of the sanctuary, give it online, or mail your offering envelope to the church office.)

Offertory

"O Rest in the Lord" Text: Psalm 37 Deb Gates, soloist Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

O rest in the Lord, wait patiently for him, and he shall give thee thy heart's desires. Commit thy way unto him, and trust in him, and fret not thyself because of evil doers.

* Doxology 592

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

Old Hundredth

(An Usher will bring the Offering Plate forward, returning it to the rear of the Sanctuary.)

* Prayer of Dedication of Time, Gifts, and Tithes -

Let us pray,

Creator God, thank you for your world of beauty abundance, and blessing. Use our gifts to bring justice and healing to all people. As we offer our gifts, we also offer our lives in your service, so that we may do your will. Amen.

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD

Renewed and refreshed by our experience with God and God's congregation, we go into the world to share God's love.

* Hymn 420

Postlude

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Cwm Rhondda

* Charge and Benediction -

Go to live lives worthy of God.

When we stumble upon places of pain and struggle, help us not to cross the street and walk past. Help us to reach out in love.

Know that the seed of God's Spirit grows in our lives, yearning to bear the fruit of justice and compassion. **We go with God's grace and peace.**

Chimes – (You may sit in silent, reflective prayer as the worship leaders recess.)

Cwm Rhondda (God of Grace and God of Glory) John A. Behnke (b. 1953)

Announcements

Guests: You Are Welcome Here

WE CORDIALLY WELCOME THOSE WHO ARE VISITING TODAY. We are grateful for your presence and invite you to participate in our worship, mission, and programs; we are happy to share our ministry with you. We'd like to get to know you. Please introduce yourself to a person nearby and be sure to join us in Fellowship Lounge for refreshments and conversation after worship! We hope your worship experience is meaningful and you will gather with us again soon. Should you wish for Hearing Devices and/or Large Print Bibles & Hymnals, they are available from an usher. Sign our guest book at the sanctuary entrance (or share your email/contact information in the offering plate for a weekly email of future worship and activities). We invite you to speak with the Pastor if you are interested in membership. A Virtual Fellowship Time is also possible on Zoom. And, restrooms are located down the long hallway just past the Church Office in the Education Building.

THIS MORNING, THE FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are given to express the beauty of God's love for all and God's good creation.

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION – J. K. Rowling offers this insight: "Indifference and neglect often do much more damage than outright dislike." Do we care enough to love?

REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP AFTER WORSHIP – Refreshments and Fellowship will be held in Fellowship Lounge at the end of the hall from the Church Office.

CARMEL IS HOSTING A CARING FOR FRIENDS COOK-IN THIS MONTH – The **Caring for Friends Cook-in** is sponsored by the Board of Deacons. You can volunteer in several ways:

- DONATE boxed, bagged, or canned goods, bagged or wrapped desserts, and
- COOK prepare a dozen meals in your kitchen with donated goods and a protein entree of your choice.

The goal is 144 meals supporting **Caring for Friends**, an organization that provides food and friendship to homebound seniors and the disabled in the 5-county Philadelphia region. Check your In-Box for an email about this, ask for a flyer to be emailed to you, or find paper flyers in the Narthex. Coordinators are Katey Schuyler and Sue Lohoefer. Thanks in advance for sharing with others.

SPREAD THE WORD – CARMEL NURSERY SCHOOL FALL REGISTRATION IS OPEN – During the summer months, Carmel Nursery School continues to prepare, plan, and organize for our upcoming school year. We are trying to grow our attendance back to pre-covid numbers and would love your support in this endeavor. If you have a neighbor or see a family who might need nursery school, please share our information with them. We offer school for ages 2 years 7 months to age 5. Our school hours are 9:30 am to 12:00 noon (and we are totally affordable). Our website can be found on the www.presbycarmel.org page and we can be found on Facebook at Carmel Nursery School. "We have survived for 60 years by word of mouth, let's keep going," encourages our nursery school Director Leslie Arrowsmith.

PDA EMERGENCY RELIEF FOR THOSE FLEEING VIOLENCE IN UKRAINE – Support the Presbyterian Church (USA)'s emergency relief for those fleeing violence in Ukraine. The Russian invasion of Ukraine produced the largest refugee crisis in Europe this century. Ukrainians face urgent needs for medical care and basic needs like food, water, and fuel. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) has a specially designated account to supplement the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) offering to enable a significant response to humanitarian efforts to assist international refugees and internally displaced persons (IDPs). Please drop a check marked "Ukraine22" on the offering plate or make your direct donation via www.pcusa.org/ukraine22.

SUPPORT THE LOCAL "CHRIST IS CALLING" PROJECT FOR UKRAINE – Session approved the "Christ Is Calling" local hands-on-mission opportunity for which Carmel may participate. We have found a new source to continue our Carmel donation project for Ukraine. The Ukrainian Sisters of St. Basil at Manor College in Abington Township expect to be collecting and shipping necessary supplies for Ukraine for some time to come. They desire many of the same items of our original list, plus a few highlighted additions. You can leave your donations in the designated bins in Carmel's lobby for delivery to the Sisters, whom coordinator Mary Ellen Thomas contacted. Contact coordinators Mary Ellen and Janet Simon for more information.

Ukraine Humanitarian Aid Collection:

Items in high demand are:

- **Army Essentials**: CAT tourniquet, gauze, sleeping bags, blankets, dark thermals, gloves, socks, knee pads, elbow pads, power banks, flashlights, SD cards, yoga mats, and water bottles.
- **Baby Essentials**: Baby wipes, dry baby food, baby food in pouches, baby medicine, baby bottles, and diapers.
- Medical Supplies: Crutches, walkers, wheelchairs, OTC meds, first aid kits, bandages
- **Dry Food**: Protein bars, granola bars, canned chicken or fish, pasta, Ramen noodles, fruit rolls.
- Personal Hygiene Items: Soap, toothpaste, and toothbrushes.

Thanks for answering Christ's Call to assist Ukrainians during this very difficult time when needs are great.

INTERESTED IN MEMBERSHIP AT CPC—CONTACT PASTOR PETER — Have you thought about making Carmel your church home? Interested in learning more about what membership at CPC involves? We are planning to schedule our next adult membership class and would love to be in conversation with you about how you can take the next step toward membership. We do not have a date set but would appreciate you letting us know your interest by emailing office@presbycarmel.org or contacting Pastor Peter.

CARMEL'S NOMINATING COMMITTEE SEEKS CHURCH OFFICERS – The Nominating Committee will meet soon to fill upcoming vacancies on Session, the Board of Deacons, Shepherds, Audit Committee members, and non-church officer-members of the Nominating Committee. If you would like to serve or recommend a member to serve, please fill out the form and drop it in the offering plate or email the Church Office.

CARMEL IS HAPPY TO PROVIDE FOR THE YOUNG MEMBERS of our congregation by offering Nursery Care and Children's Worship (third grade and below) during the Sunday 10:00 am worship service. They are led by two of our committed and dedicated volunteers, Marleen Heintz for Nursery Care and Melissa MacFarland for Children's Worship. At this time, we request that if you desire nursery care for your child during Sunday worship, please call the Church Office by Friday noon, so that the nursery is staffed. Children's Worship will meet in Carmel Hall for larger spacing and does not require reserving ahead. Children from Grades K-3 leave the Sanctuary after the Children's Message. We welcome our young families, either in person or in virtual worship. Any questions may be addressed to Janet Simon, Christian Education Committee chair; Marleen, or Melissa.

WONDER "WHAT'S GOING ON?" CHECK OUT CARMEL'S WEBSITE! Explore the wealth of information at www.presbycarmel.org. Easily find links for the current Livestream worship, past services, the daily lectionary, or to send a prayer request or make a financial donation—and not to miss the latest on the Carmel Calendar. Clicking on the upper circular church photo will always bring you back to the Home Page.

JOIN US EACH SUNDAY IN WORSHIP; CELEBRATE COMMUNION ON THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH! Live Streaming Worship continues on YouTube, via Zoom on the phone, and Zoom for virtual fellowship following worship for those unable to attend in-person worship due to health comfort levels or travel situations.

SIGN-UP TO HELP WITH WORSHIP – EACH SUNDAY WE HAVE several spots you can assist: liturgist, ushers, greeters, and host for coffee hour. We are not all we can be without you sharing your gifts as a volunteer! Speak with a pastor or sign up online here:

https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/904094ca8a62aa6f49-worship

WELCOME TO SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP LIVE STREAMING ON SUNDAYS AT 10:00 AM

YouTube (Carmel Presbyterian Church Glenside) at
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJljIDvsRw

Those without Internet access may phone in via the Zoom phone link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8428511409

and Meeting ID: 842 851 1409

"Virtual Fellowship Time" may be accessed on Zoom only after the service ends.

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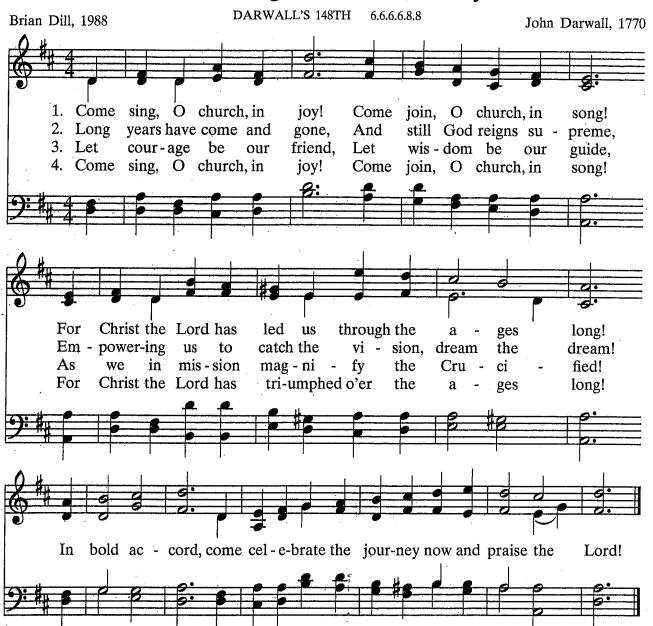
Peter Sulyok, Transitional Senior Pastor
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Deb Gates, soloist
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Barbara Knox and Cindy Keshishian, Usher/Greeter
Barbara Knox and Cindy Keshishian, Shepherds
Barbara Knox, Chancel Preparation and Emergency Procedure (CPEP) Member
Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, Dave Rice and Kerri Strike-Stahller, Live-Streaming Operators
Deb Gates, Coffee Fellowship Host: Fellowship Lounge (11:00 AM)

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Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!



This tune in a lower key, 155

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Glory to the Father

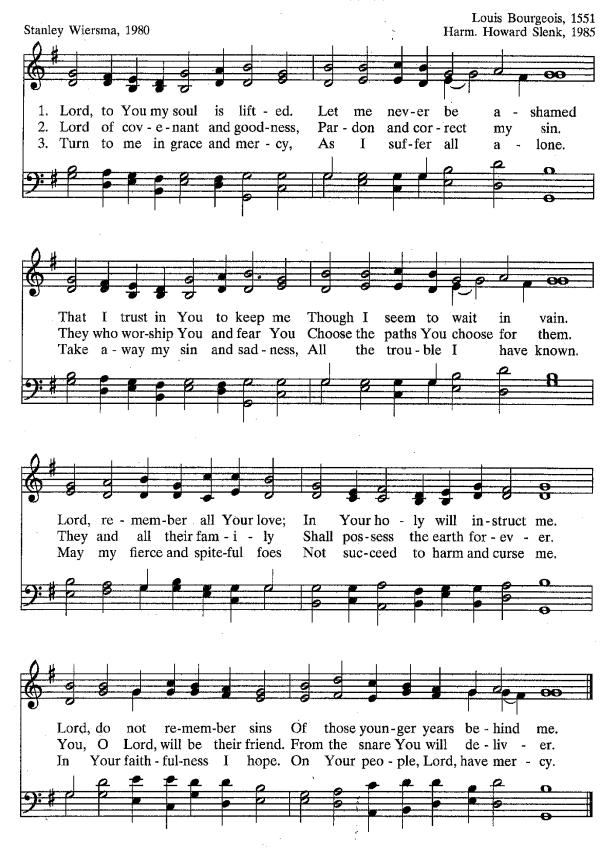
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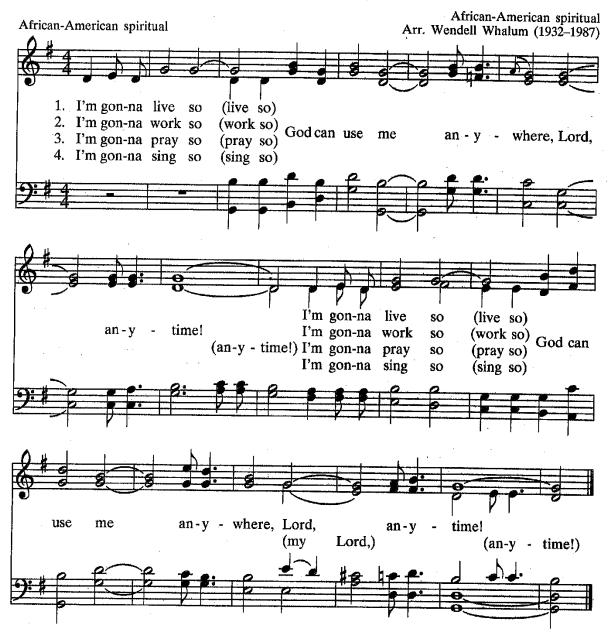
Lord, to You My Soul Is Lifted

GENEVAN 25 8.7.8.7.8.7.8



369 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

I'M GONNA LIVE Irregular



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592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



* Or "God."

420 God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA 8.7.8.7.8.7.7 John Hughes, 1907 Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930; alt. Thy peo - ple God of glo - ry, 1. God grace and of Scorn Thy Christ, as round us vil of e 2. Lo! the hosts mad - ness, Bend our pride to dren's war - ring 3. Cure Thy chil Gird our lives that pla - ces; loft - y 4. Set our feet on sto - ry; chur - ch's pour Thy power; Crown Thine an cient bound us long have From the fears that sail Thy ways! glad - ness, self - ish ton, Shame our wan con - trol; Thy Ar - mored with Christ - like gra - ces, all be they may grant us cour-age, glo-rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, its bud to Bring grant us cour-age, faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, our hearts to Free grant us cour-age, Grant us wis - dom, poor in soul. in things and grant us cour-age, Grant us wis - dom, cap-tives free. Pledged to set this hour. For the fac-ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of of these days. For the liv - ing For the liv-ing of these days, king-dom's goal. Lest we miss Thy Lest we miss Thy king-dom's goal, Thee! them nor That we fail not That we fail not them nor Thee!

CHURCH: MISSION

5. Save us from weak resignation
To the evils we deplore;
Let the gift of Thy salvation
Be our glory evermore.

Grant us wisdom, grant us courage, Serving Thee whom we adore, Serving Thee whom we adore.