

Carmel Presbyterian Church
Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
July 31, 2022
10:00 AM



"The rich fool" by Rembrandt (original title: *De rijke dwaas*), painted in 1627 and currently in: Gemäldegalerie, Berlin, Germany.

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

Benedictus

Alec Rowley

**** Call to Worship (Spoken responsively) –***

O give thanks to our God who is good, whose steadfast love endures forever!

The people God loves have been gathered in from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Some have wandered, finding no safety, hungry and thirsty.

In their trouble, they cried out to God who delivered them from distress.

Let us thank our God for steadfast love for all humankind.

For God satisfies the thirsty, and fills the hungry with good things.

(All:) O give thanks to our God who is good, whose steadfast love endures forever!

**** Hymn 339***

"Be Thou My Vision"

Slane

Call to Confession (Seated) –

Prayer of Confession (In unison) –

O God, like a father who teaches his child to walk, like a mother who feeds and heals her children, you desire to nourish all people and rescue them from injustice. You call us into this work of justice-making and care. Yet we follow other paths; we make choices that lead to violence and destruction. Meet us here and teach us how to put aside all temptations that lead to violence, from the smallest to the most global...

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

Amen. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Read responsively) –

The apostle Paul calls us to seek the things that are above and find new life revealed in Christ.

As we have been called by Christ, we put away the things that lead to death, and Christ's life is revealed in us.

Friends: believe the Good News of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Alleluia! Amen.

*** Gloria Patri – Hymn 567**

“Glory to the Father”

John Weaver

*** Passing of the Peace (Spoken responsively) –**

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 – Pastor Mark Auxter

(Following the Children's message, children are invited to sit with their families as Children's Worship in Carmel Hall will resume in August.)

Unison Prayer for Illumination –

Let us pray.

God: we trust that you have our best interests at heart. As we hear the reading of your Word, remind us that we have been raised with Christ, and inspire us to seek the things that are above, through the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

First Reading —

The first reading is Psalm 28, a Psalm of David; p. 477). The Lord is the strength of his people and the saving refuge of his anointed. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

I cry out to you, Lord.

You are my rock; don't refuse to hear me.

If you won't talk to me,

I'll be just like those going down to the pit.

Listen to my request for mercy when I cry out to you,

when I lift up my hands to your holy inner sanctuary.

Don't drag me off with the wicked and those who do evil;

the type who talk nice to their friends

while evil thoughts are in their hearts!

Pay them back for what they've done!

Pay them back for their evil deeds!

Pay them back for their handiwork!
Give back to them exactly what they deserve!
Because they have no regard for what the Lord has done,
no regard for his handiwork,
God will tear them down and never rebuild!

Bless the Lord
because he has listened to my request for mercy!
The Lord is my strength and my shield.
My heart trusts him.
I was helped, my heart rejoiced,
and I thank him with my song.
The Lord is his people's strength;
he is a fortress of protection for his anointed one.
Save your people, God!
Bless your possession!
Shepherd them and carry them for all time!

This is the Word of the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

*** Hymn 336**

"As a Chalice Cast of Gold"

Inward light

New Testament Reading –

The second lectionary reading is Colossians, chapter 3, verses 1-4; p. 192. If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

Therefore, if you were raised with Christ, look for the things that are above where Christ is sitting at God's right side. Think about the things above and not things on earth. You died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

New Testament Gospel Reading –

The gospel reading from the lectionary is Luke, chapter 12, verses 13-21; p. 70. Be on guard against greed; life does not come from your possessions. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

Someone from the crowd said to him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me."

Jesus said to him, "Man, who appointed me as judge or referee between you and your brother?"

Then Jesus said to them, "Watch out! Guard yourself against all kinds of greed. After all, one's life isn't determined by one's possessions, even when someone is very wealthy." Then he told them a parable: "A certain rich man's land produced a bountiful crop. He said to himself, What will I do? I have no place to store my harvest! Then he thought, Here's what I'll do. I'll tear down my barns and build bigger ones. That's where I'll store all my grain and goods. I'll say to myself, You have stored up plenty of goods,

enough for several years. Take it easy! Eat, drink, and enjoy yourself. But God said to him, ‘Fool, tonight you will die. Now who will get the things you have prepared for yourself?’ This is the way it will be for those who hoard things for themselves and aren’t rich toward God.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“Investment Strategies”

Pastor Mark Auxter

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 457**

“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”

Toulon

Sharing of Joys and Concerns –

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession and The Lord’s Prayer (Using ‘debtors’ & ‘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 local and global community. 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

“The Lord Is My Shepherd”

**Samuel Liddle
(1867-1951)**

David Campbell, soloist

The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want:
He maketh me to lie down in green pastures,
He leadeth me beside the still waters,
He restoreth my soul,
He leadeth me in the paths of righteousness, for His Name's sake.
The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death
I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me,
Thy rod and Thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me, in the presence of mine enemies,
Thou anointest my head with oil, my cup runneth over:
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.
The Lord is my Shepherd, I shall not want.

(Text: Psalm 23)

*** 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 –**

Loving and merciful God, we offer these gifts in gratitude for all the ways in which you have blessed

our lives. We offer these gifts to remember that you are the source of our hope and our peace. With these gifts we commit ourselves to serve you and to work for peace in this world. Bless these gifts that they might be used in ministries of restoration and reconciliation. 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**

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

Cwm Rhondda

*** Charge and Benediction –**

Go now into the world, renewed in hope and dedication to serve God with all your heart and strength and to work for reconciliation among all of God's peoples until the whole human family can live in peace and security. Amen.

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

Postlude

Grand Chorus

Reginald Martin

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.

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.

THIS MORNING, THE FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY offer glory to God and God's good creation.

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

WE WELCOME THE REVEREND MARK AUXTER AS GUEST PREACHER – Pastor Mark writes, “I’m in my 40th year of being a Presbyterian minister which has included pastoring, teaching, and hospice chaplaincy. I moved to Jenkintown recently to be near 6 of 7 grandchildren. I recently discovered my ancestors are Lutheran.” Welcome to Carmel Mark!

MUSIC NOTES FROM THE BALCONY – We welcome Joel Klingman as Carmel’s guest organist this morning.

JAMES LACY – FORMER CARMEL ASSOCIATE PASTOR HAS PASSED AWAY – James Lacy, Former Associate Pastor Carmel Presbyterian Church passed away on July 26, 2022, announces his son Stan Lacy. Pastor Lacy served as Associate Pastor at Carmel Presbyterian from 1971-80. He died, suddenly, at his home in Lake Oswego, Oregon, where he moved after his retirement. His memorial service will be held at 2:00 pm, Saturday, August 6th, 2022 at Lake Grove Presbyterian Church, Lake Oswego Oregon. He is remembered by his two children and their families, Stanley Allen Lacy and Nora Coleman Lacy, and their daughter Megan, Elizabeth Lacy Schoenberger and Kevin Schoenberger, and their daughter Jacqueline. Stanley Lacy may be reached at: stanlacy@gmail.com.

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**.

“CHRIST IS CALLING” FOR THE BREATHING ROOM FOUNDATION – Support the “Christ is Calling” Project for The Breathing Room Foundation. Established in February of 1997, the Breathing Room Foundation was founded to provide care and support to local families affected by cancer, allowing them a bit of “breathing room” from their daily struggle against cancer. The Breathing Room Foundation’s Back to School Program will provide our families with personalized school supplies to start the new school year prepared and confident. They are looking to provide school supplies to over 300 children. Donations can be placed in the bin located in the lobby until Sunday, August 14. Please ask Katey Schuyler if you have any questions.

School Supplies that are needed:

- Crayola Markers
- Crayola Colored Pencils
- Highlighters
- Composition Books
- Mead spiral 1,3 and 5 subject notebooks
- Sturdy Folders (not paper type)
- Pink Pearl Erasers

- Expo Dry Erase Markers
- Glue Sticks
- Ticonderoga Pencils
- Post-It Notes
- Amazon, Target, Walmart Gift Cards (Please give to Katey Schuyler and do not leave them in the bin)

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.

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/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJlIDvsRw>

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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Participants Serving the Church in Worship

Peter Sulyok, Transitional Senior Pastor

Mark Auxter, Guest Preacher

James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus

Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Organist and Director of Music

Joel Klingman, Guest Organist

David Campbell, soloist

Lynne Schutt, Liturgist

Beth Cherry and Barbara Knox, Usher/Greeter

Beth Cherry and Barbara Knox, Shepherds

Barbara Knox, Chancel Preparation and Emergency Procedure (CPEP) Member

Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, Dave Rice and Kerri Strike-Stahler, Live-Streaming Operators

Janet Simon, Coffee Fellowship Host: Fellowship Lounge (11:00 AM)

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Be Thou My Vision

SLANE 10.10.9.10

Ancient Irish poem

Trans. Mary E. Byrne, 1905

Vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912; alt.

Irish ballad

Harm. David Evans, 1927

1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;
 2. Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise,
 3. Be Thou my wis - dom, and Thou my true word;

Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art—
 Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways:
 I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
 Thou and Thou on - ly, first in my heart,
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

LIFE IN CHRIST

Wak - ing or sleep - ing, Thy pres - ence my light.
Great God of heav - en, my trea - sure Thou art.
Still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

The musical score consists of two systems. The first system features a vocal line on a single treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The second system continues the vocal line and piano accompaniment. The key signature is B-flat major (two flats), and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line.

376 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

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Charles Wesley, 1747

Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to
 2. Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to ev - ery
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, Let us all Thy
 4. Fin - ish, then, Thy new cre - a - tion; Pure and spot - less

earth come down, Fix in us Thy hum - ble dwell - ing,
 trou - bled breast! Let us all in Thee in - her - it,
 life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er,
 let us be; Let us see Thy great sal - va - tion

All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown! Je - sus, Thou art all com -
 Let us find the prom - ised rest; Take a - way the love of
 Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways
 Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee; Changed from glo - ry in - to

pas - sion, Pure, un - bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
 sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
 bless - ing, Serve Thee as Thy hosts a - bove; Pray, and praise Thee
 glo - ry, Till in heaven we take our place, Till we cast our

LIFE IN CHRIST

Thy sal - va - tion, En - ter ev - ery trem-bling heart.
its be - gin - - ning, Set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
with - out ceas - ing, Glo - ry in Thy per - fect love.
crowns be - fore Thee, Lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Alternate tune: BEECHER, 343

457 I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON 10.10.10.10

Attr. John Calvin
 French Psalter, Strassburg, 1545
 Trans. Elizabeth Lee Smith, 1868

Adapt. from Genevan 124
 Genevan Psalter, 1551

1. I greet Thee, who my sure Re - deem - er art,
 2. Thou art the King of mer - cy and of grace,
 3. Thou art the life, by which a - lone we live,
 4. Thou hast the true and per - fect gen - tle - ness,

My on - ly trust and Sav - ior of my heart,
 Reign - ing om - nip - o - tent in ev - ery place:
 And all our sub - stance and our strength re - ceive;
 No harsh - ness hast Thou and no bit - ter - ness:

Who pain didst un - der - go for my poor sake;
 So come, O King, and our whole be - ing sway;
 Sus - tain us by Thy faith and by Thy power,
 O grant to us the grace we find in Thee,

I pray Thee from our hearts all cares to take.
 Shine on us with the light of Thy pure day.
 And give us strength in ev - ery try - ing hour.
 That we may dwell in per - fect u - ni - ty.

5. Our hope is in no other save in Thee;
 Our faith is built upon Thy promise free;
 Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,
 That in Thy strength we evermore endure.

God of Grace and God of Glory

CWM RHONDDA 8.7.8.7.8.7.7

Harry Emerson Fosdick, 1930; alt.

John Hughes, 1907

1. God of grace and God of glo - ry, On Thy peo - ple
 2. Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us Scorn Thy Christ, as -
 3. Cure Thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness, Bend our pride to
 4. Set our feet on loft - y pla - ces; Gird our lives that

pour Thy power; Crown Thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry;
 sail Thy ways! From the fears that long have bound us
 Thy con - trol; Shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness,
 they may be Ar - mored with all Christ - like gra - ces,

Bring its bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Free our hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Rich in things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 Pledged to set all cap - tives free. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,

For the fac - ing of this hour, For the fac - ing of this hour.
 For the liv - ing of these days, For the liv - ing of these days.
 Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal, Lest we miss Thy king - dom's goal.
 That we fail not them nor Thee! 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.