

**Carmel Presbyterian Church
Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper**

August 7, 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

**Saffron Walden (hymn tune)
("Just as I am")**

**Amy Summers
(b. 1996)**

*** Call to Worship (Spoken responsively; Adapted from Psalm 50, Luke 12) –**

From the rising of the sun to its setting...

God speaks, summoning us.

In the perfection of the beauty all around us...

God shines forth, illuminating our hearts.

Those who bring thanksgiving as their sacrifice, and those who go the right way, honor God.

They shall receive salvation from our God.

Those who worship God with acts of love and mercy...

God is pleased to give them the kingdom.

Come! Let our worship be justice and righteousness.

*** Hymn 466**

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

Azmon

Call to Confession (Seated) –

Prayer of Confession (In unison) –

Forgiving God, you know how easy it is for us to celebrate with joy the wonders of your love. We create wonderful art to represent the joy we feel. Our music soars to the heavens in praise of you. Yet how often we have left our service to you as mere thoughts and intentions without fulfillment. You ask us to be ready to serve you at any time, but we place our commitment on the "to do" list of life; we will do these things when we get to them. Forgive our hesitancy and our self-serving ways, O Lord. Heal us of the disease of seeking first our own comfort before we engage in acts of justice and mercy. Open our eyes and ears to the cries of those in need. Help us to give and also to receive ministries of love and

reconciliation as we serve you with our whole hearts. Then our music, our art, our worship will truly reflect your awesome and abundant love for us...

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

Amen. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon (Read responsively) –

Friends, hear the good news: It is God's good pleasure to give us the kingdom.

It is our joy to serve God by helping each other and all those in need.

Be assured of God's tender mercy toward you and continue that love in all that you do.

By God's grace, we are forgiven. Alleluia! Amen.

*** Gloria Patri – Hymn 567**

“Glory to the Father”

John Weaver

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

It is God's good pleasure to give us the kingdom.

Let us share the treasurer of love and mercy with one another as we pass the peace of Christ.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you!

And also, with you.

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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.

Compassionate God: help us to hear your Word and listen to your teaching. For your Word contains warning and promise—a gift to be treasured and lived. Whether we receive this gift is a choice we make. Help us make the right choice. Amen.

First Reading –

The first lectionary reading is Genesis, chapter 15, verses 1-6; p.11). God promises Abram many descendants; Abram believes the Lord. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

After these events, the Lord's word came to Abram in a vision, "Don't be afraid, Abram. I am your protector. Your reward will be very great."

But Abram said, "Lord God, what can you possibly give me, since I still have no children? The head of my household is Eliezer, a man from Damascus." He continued, "Since you haven't given me any children, the head of my household will be my heir."

The Lord's word came immediately to him, "This man will not be your heir. Your heir will definitely be your very own biological child." Then he brought Abram outside and said, "Look up at the sky and count the stars if you think you can count them." He continued, "This is how many children you will have." Abram trusted the Lord, and the Lord recognized Abram's high moral character.

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

New Testament Reading –

The second lectionary reading is Hebrews, chapter 11, verses 1-3, 8-16; pp. 211-212. Faith is the assurance of things hoped for; Abraham is an example. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

Faith is the reality of what we hope for, the proof of what we don't see. The elders in the past were approved because they showed faith. By faith we understand that the universe has been created by a word from God so that the visible came into existence from the invisible....

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was going to receive as an inheritance. He went out without knowing where he was going.

By faith he lived in the land he had been promised as a stranger. He lived in tents along with Isaac and Jacob, who were coheirs of the same promise. He was looking forward to a city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God.

By faith even Sarah received the ability to have a child, though she herself was barren and past the age for having children, because she believed that the one who promised was faithful. So descendants were born from one man (and he was as good as dead). They were as many as the number of the stars in the sky and as countless as the grains of sand on the seashore. All these people died in faith without receiving the promises, but they saw the promises from a distance and welcomed them. They confessed that they were strangers and immigrants on earth. People who say this kind of thing make it clear that they are looking for a homeland. If they had been thinking about the country that they had left, they would have had the opportunity to return to it. But at this point in time, they are longing for a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore, God isn't ashamed to be called their God—he has prepared a city for them.

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 32-40; p. 70. Where your treasure is, there is your heart also; be alert and ready. Listen now for the Word of God to you!

“Don't be afraid, little flock, because your Father delights in giving you the kingdom. Sell your possessions and give to those in need. Make for yourselves wallets that don't wear out—a treasure in heaven that never runs out. No thief comes near there, and no moth destroys. Where your treasure is, there your heart will be too.

“Be dressed for service and keep your lamps lit. Be like people waiting for their master to come home from a wedding celebration, who can immediately open the door for him when he arrives and knocks on the door. Happy are those servants whom the master finds waiting up when he arrives. I assure you that, when he arrives, he will dress himself to serve, seat them at the table as honored guests, and wait on them. Happy are those whom he finds alert, even if he comes at midnight or just before dawn. But know this, if the homeowner had known what time the thief was coming, he wouldn't have allowed his home to be broken into. You also must be ready, because the Human One is coming at a time when you don't expect him.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

“How Much Treasure Fits in Your Heart?”

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 399**

**“We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight”
(Stanzas 1-2)**

Dunlap’s Creek

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 Saviour, Hear Me!”
Peter Heckman, tenor soloist**

**C. W. Gluck
arr. Dudley Buck
(1839-1909)**

*O Saviour hear me, I implore thee,
In thee alone can peace be found,
Thou canst sustain and thou restore me
Whatever the cares that hover round.
Hear my supplication. Turn on me thy loving eyes,
O turn on me thy loving eyes;
Lord I long for thy salvation,
And would fain attain the prize.*

*When cares of earth to me seem heavy
Heartsore I seek of thee relief,
Thy grace remaineth ever ready
To soothe my pain, to assuage my grief.
Hear my supplication. Turn on me thy loving eyes,
O turn on me thy loving eyes;
Lord I long for thy salvation,
And would fain attain the prize.*

*** 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 (In unison) –**

Let us pray,

God of grace and God of glory, as we offer these earthly treasures back to you, transform our gifts into your love and mercy by the power of your Holy Spirit. May these gifts be signs that our true treasure is from above—the treasure of justice and righteousness for your children everywhere. Amen.

The Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

* *Communion Hymn 399*

"We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight"
(Stanzas 3-4)

Dunlap's Creek

Invitation to The Lord's Table (Responsive)

When Jesus sat at the table and enjoyed communion with tax collectors and sinners he proclaimed that God's care knows no bounds.

We proclaim again the comfort and challenge of that witness.

On one hand, we embrace a piece of one common loaf. Sharing one cup, we drink of Christ's new covenant of unity.

With one voice, we lift up our prayers to you, the one great God, who embraces our differences, yet rejoices in our unity in this one communion act.

All are invited now to share God's table and be nourished by the Bread of Life.

The Thanksgiving

God be with you,

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts:

We lift them up to God.

Let us thank God:

It is good to thank God.

We thank you, God, that you have provided for all the worlds that ever were or will be by giving yourself to them in love.

If we go to the heights of the mountains, or if we make the grave our bed, you are with us. If we go to the depths of the sea, your right-hand holds us fast.

We thank you for Jesus, your Word, who lived among us, uncovering your presence. We thank you that you stamped his death with victory and that Life, not Death, was the final word.

Remembering the Lord Jesus, we break bread and share one cup, announcing his death for the sins of the world, and telling his resurrection to all people and nations.

We ask now that you bless us, as we share this bread and cup, that we might be nourished by that same unbounded love and so be encouraged to be your servants to the world.

Communion Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

God of all Creation, we thank you for the gift of this day: a day you have entrusted to us, a day you promise to journey with us, a day you provide for us what we most need for life. We pray, O God, for those whose lives pass through difficult times and places.

For those who hunger, whether, for bread or hope, we pray for their filling.

For those who face the pain of body or spirit, we pray for comfort and healing.

We pray for this world: for peace where conflict rages, for justice where oppression rules, for mercy where kindness seems distant.

And in offering these prayers, make us mindful that we may be the instruments through whom your Spirit would respond to these needs. We pray in the name and hope of Jesus the Christ, the Bread of Life. And now, as your daughters and sons whom you have reconciled to yourself, we pray:

O God, who called us from death to life: we give ourselves to you; and with the church through all ages, we thank you for your saving love in Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray: "Our Father, Amen."

Words of Institution and Distribution of the Elements

(Pastor Peter (with an Elder or a Deacon) will invite you to come forward for the elements. Please approach The Table by walking down the center aisle, and returning to your seat by the side aisles. Remain in your pew until your row is ready to move forward to allow room for those returning to their seats. In the communion tray, you may select wine (red) or juice (white) and place the cup in the receptacle provided.)

Communion Music

**"Dove of Peace"
("I Come with Joy", hymn 507)**

**Michael Bedford
(b. 1949)**

Post-Communion Unison Prayer

Let us pray.

Thank you, God, for renewing us at your table by the presence of Christ. Thank you for your eternal love, the Bread of Life, that sustains all creation. May you continue to love us in our faithful acts and, by that love, discourage us from the unfaithful acts that we might rejoice as your servants to the world. 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 15**

"Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers"

Llangloffan

*** Charge and Benediction –**

People get ready.

We are dressed for love.

People get ready.

We are dressed for service.

People get ready.

We are dressed for mercy and compassion.

People get ready.

We are dressed to shine the light of Christ.

Go—for you are dressed as children of God.

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

Postlude

March from 'Scipio'

**G. F. Handel
(1685-1759)**

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.

SILENT PRAYER AND REFLECTION – For your prayer and reflection, from *Elie Wiesel: "The opposite of faith is not doubt, it's indifference."*

THIS MORNING, THE FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are given to the glory of 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.

GUEST SOLOIST GREW UP HERE AT CARMEL – We welcome back home Peter (PJ) Heckman, soloist. Peter grew up here at Carmel. He began singing in our Children's Choir at age 4 and sang in the Junior Choir, Youth Choir, Festival Choir, and played in the bell choir. He is a graduate of Westminster Choir College, Princeton, NJ where he holds an undergraduate degree and a masters' degree in music. Peter teaches 5th through 8th-grade general music and choir at Pond Road Middle School in Robbinsville, NJ. He also leads their annual musical as well as several community concert events. Peter is also the director of ArtsForm, a comprehensive performing arts studio in East Windsor, NJ that offers voice, dance, acting, and performance classes.

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.

RALLY DAY IS COMING – Watch this space next week to learn more as we move from the summer months to the resumption of regular activities, special events, and choir rehearsals and worship leadership Sundays.

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 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

James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus

Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Organist and Director of Music

Peter (PJ) Heckman, soloist

Lynne Schutt, Liturgist

Deb Gates, Anne Newman, Lynne Schutt, Elders/Deacons assisting with Communion

TBA, Usher/Greeters

Linda MacFarland and Margie White, Shepherds

Walter Newman, Chancel Preparation and Emergency Procedure (CPEP) Member

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

TBA, Coffee Fellowship Host: Fellowship Lounge (11:00 AM)

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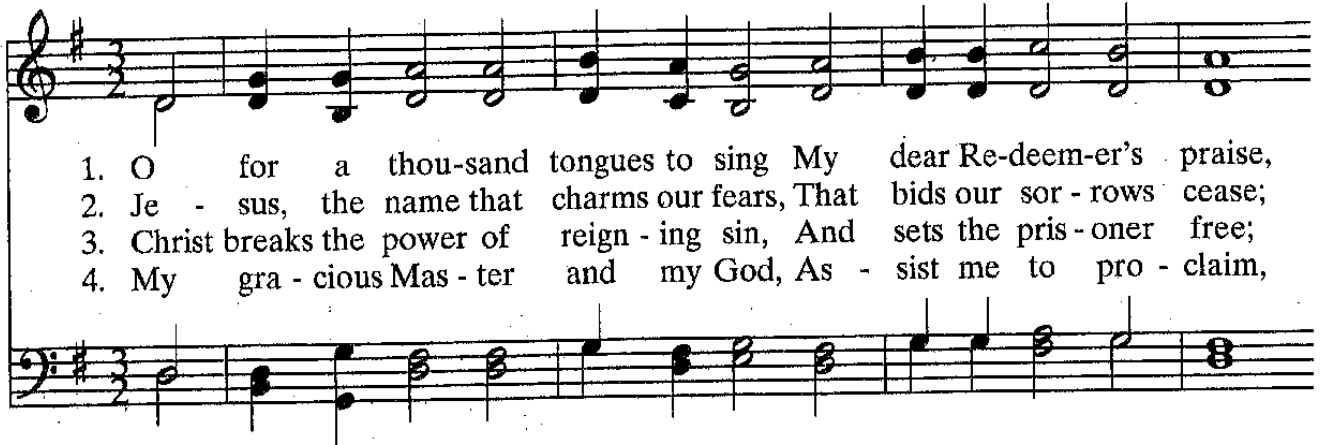
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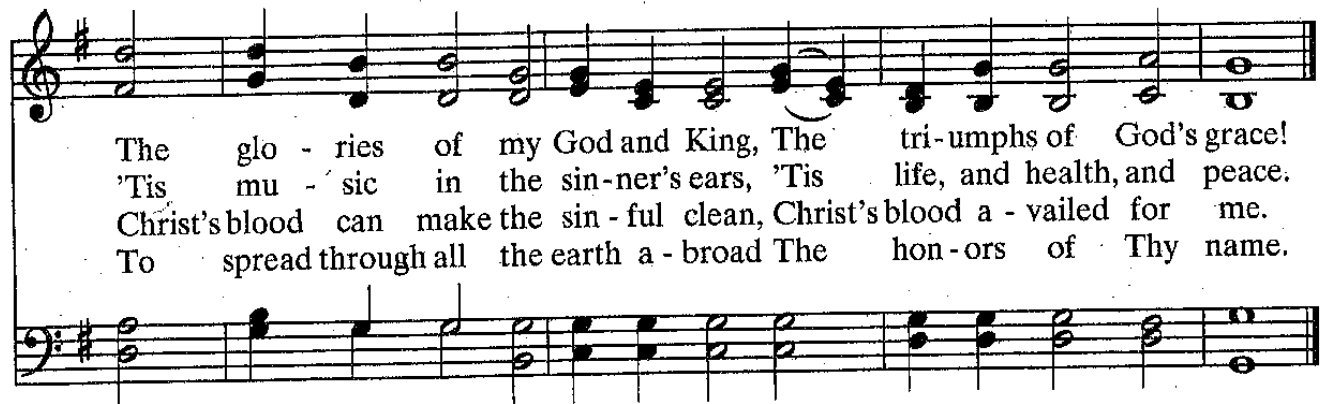
Carl Gotthelf Gläser, 1828

Arr. Lowell Mason, 1839

Charles Wesley, 1738; alt.



1. O for a thou-sand tongues to sing My dear Re-deem-er's praise,
2. Je - sus, the name that charms our fears, That bids our sor - rows cease;
3. Christ breaks the power of reign - ing sin, And sets the pris - oner free;
4. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As - sist me to pro - claim,



The glo - ries of my God and King, The tri-umphs of God's grace!
'Tis mu - sic in the sin-ner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.
Christ's blood can make the sin - ful clean, Christ's blood a - vailed for me.
To spread through all the earth a - broad The hon - ors of Thy name.

Glory to the Father

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Gloria Patri

John Weaver, 1978

*
 Glo-ry to the Fa-ther, and to the

*
 Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it: as it was in the be - gin-ning, is

now, and will be for ev - er. A-men. A - men. A - men.

*May be sung as a canon.

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DUNLAP'S CREEK CM

Henry Alford, 1844; alt.

Samuel McFarland, c. 1816
Harm. Richard Proulx, 1986


1. We walk by faith and not by sight; No
 2. We may not touch His hands and side, Nor
 3. Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; And
 4. That, when our life of faith is done, In



gra - cious words we hear From Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where He trod; But in His prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound To call on You when
 realms of clear - er light We may be - hold You



none e'er spoke; But we be - lieve Him near.
 we re - jice, And cry, "My Lord and God!"
 You are near And seek where You are found:
 as You are, With full and end - less sight.

SERVICE MUSIC

592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH LM

Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709

Genevan Psalter, 1551

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise *Him, all creatures

here below; Praise *Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Or "God."

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Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers

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Laurentius Laurenti, 1700
 Trans. Sarah Borthwick Findlater, 1854
 Alt. *The Hymnal* 1982

Welsh folk melody
 Evans' *Hymnau a Thonau*, 1865
 As in *English Hymnal*, 1906

1. Re - joice! Re - joice, be - liev - ers, And let your lights ap - pear;
 2. See that your lamps are burn - ing, Re - plen - ish them with oil;
 3. Our hope and ex - pec - ta - tion, O Je - sus, now ap - pear;

The eve - ning is ad - vanc - ing And dark - er night is near.
 Look now for your sal - va - tion, The end of sin and toil.
 A - rise, Thou sun so longed for, A - bove this sha - dowed sphere!

The Bride - groom is a - ris - ing And soon He will draw nigh;
 The mar - riage feast is wait - ing, The gates wide o - pen stand;
 With hearts and hands up - lift - ed, We plead, O Lord, to see

Up, watch with ex - pec - ta - tion, At mid - night comes the cry.
 A - rise, O heirs of glo - ry, The Bride - groom is at hand!
 The day of earth's re - demp - tion, And ev - er be with Thee!