Prayer for Use Before Worship

We praise you, we worship you, we adore you.
You hold the heavens in your hand,
all stars rejoice in your glory.
You come in the sunrise and the song of morn
and bless the splendor of the noonday.
The stars in their courses magnify you,
day and night tell of your glory.
Your peace blows over the earth
and the breath of your mouth fills all space. Amen.



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WE GATHER TOGETHER

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

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Gwalchmai

Joseph David Jones (1827-1870)

(King of Glory, King of Peace)

arr. Christopher Tambling (1964-2015)

*Call to Worship

L: Come out of the shadows and into God's light!

P: We will not play hide and seek, but will make a pilgrimage to God's heart.

L: Lay down all which is a burden to you!

P: We will give our fears to God, who is our help in every moment.

L: Follow the One who will lead you to new life!

P: We long to live in God's presence every day of our lives.

*Prayer of the Day

Almighty God, By grace alone you call us and accept us in your service. Strengthen us by your Spirit, and make us worthy of your call; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

*Hymn 554

Let all Things Now Living

Ash Grove

*Call to Confession

*Prayer of Confession

God our Light, we admit that we put extra effort each day into making Christ fit our mold. We are comfortable when Christ fits our opinions about the headlines and about our finances. We are good at twisting Christ's own words in order to support our fear and suspicion of others. It is true, we could immediately turn from our selfish ways and follow him, but we first need to know where he is leading.

Forgive us, Great Deliverer, as we speak our miserable failures. Have mercy on us, we appeal to you, have mercy! May your love become the core of our hearts, may your compassion become the words we speak, may your hope illuminate the ways in which we serve others, even as we seek to follow the One who calls us to new life, Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. (pray silently)

*Seasonal Response

This, this is Christ the King

(sung by all)

The promised Light, of whom we sing;

Shine, shine for all the earth Will know his grace and mercy.

*Declaration of Forgiveness

* Gloria Patri 567

Glory to the Father

John Weaver

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Greensleeves

*Passing of the Peace

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons Isaiah 9:1-4

 Psalm 27:1, 4-9
 Page 476

 1 Corinthians 1:10-18
 Page 155

 Matthew 4:12-23
 Page 3

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Message for the Children

Sermon Rev. Michelle Denney Grunseich

WE REPSOND TO GOD'S WORD

Inspired by the promise of God's Word, let us give our thanks and praise

*Hymn 411

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

Festal Song

*Affirmation of Faith

(Apostles' Creed)

Page 14, front of hymnal

Rev. Michelle Denney Grunseich

Prayer of Intercession, Supplication, and Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Page 16, front of hymnal

Call to Offering

Offertory

We Are Singing, for the Lord Is Our Light

arr. Hal H. Hopson

(Text: based on Psalm 27:1-4)

Zulu Traditional Song

Sanctuary Choir, Nathaniel Gates, conga drum

We are singing, for the Lord is our light, we are singing, for the Lord is our light.

The Lord is the strength of our lives; of whom shall we be afraid? Though foes may be near to destroy; the Lord will be our light. (Refrain)

One thing have we asked of the Lord, yes, this is the thing we seek: To dwell in the house of the Lord; to live with God forever. (Refrain)

When burdens are heavy to bear, our shelter is God alone.
Our feet are lifted high; yes, high upon a rock. (Refrain)

We walk in the strength of the Lord, God's love is ever sure. We shout that the world may hear, we sing a joyful song. (Refrain)

*Doxology 592

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundredth

*Prayer of Dedication

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 536

Lord, Make Us More Holy

African-American spiritual

*Charge and Benediction

Chimes and Postlude

Siyahamba (We Are Marching in the Light of God)

arr. Robert Buckley Farlee

(b. 1950)

Announcements
Guests: You Are Welcome Here

TODAY WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME AS OUR GUEST PREACHER REV. MICHELLE DENNEY

GRUNSEICH - Rev. Michelle Denney Grunseich was ordained by the Presbytery of Philadelphia in 2004, and has had the opportunity to serve as Chaplain of The Presbyterian Children Village, Associate Pastor for Christian Formation at Covenant Presbyterian Church (Donegal), Director of Resources and Communications for the Presbytery of Philadelphia, and Solo Pastor at Aston Presbyterian Church. She now frequently serves as pulpit supply for various churches in the area and greatly enjoys the chance to visit other congregations and share together in worship with them. Michelle resides in Rose Valley with her husband, Frank, and their two children, Abby and Carter.

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 be sure to join us downstairs in Carmel Hall 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). Restrooms are located down the long hallway just past the Church Office in the Education Building.

SPECIAL THANKS TO NATHANIEL GATES for his help with our anthem today. Nathaniel grew up singing in the Carmel choirs and is a senior at Abington High School. He will be attending Lafayette College in the Fall.

MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CORPORATION AND POTLUCK BRUNCH will be held next Sunday, January 29, 2023 right after worship in Carmel Hall. For information on the brunch, please contact Melissa Deacon or Joyce Kornfeld.

CARMEL IS HAPPY TO PROVIDE FOR THE YOUNG MEMBERS of our congregation by offering **Nursery Care** and **Children's Worship (Grades K-3)** during the Sunday 10:00 am worship service. 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 does not require reserving ahead. Children leave the Sanctuary for Carmel Hall after the **Children's Message** and go with their leader to the **Children's Church Room** off the Chapel. We welcome our young families, either in person or in virtual worship. Any questions may be addressed to Janet Simon, Christian Education Committee chair; or Melissa MacFarland, Children's Worship leader.

THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are in loving memory of Scott Morris, by his parents and sisters.

YOUR 2023 PLEDGE AND GIVING ENVELOPES – Be sure to pick up your Stewardship offering envelopes. A financial pledge to Carmel is an expression of your faith, investment, and commitment to our mission.

MUSIC NOTES FROM CARMEL'S BALCONY – Siyahamba is a South African hymn that became popular in North American churches in the 1990's. The title means "We Are Marching" or "We are Walking" in the Zulu language.

Please hold the date for a new year of church choirs. Join us in the new season of singing and ringing.

- Children's Choir, for anyone in Grades K-2, Wednesdays, 5:00 -5:40 PM.
- Junior Choir, for anyone in Grades 3-8, Wednesdays, 5:45-6:30 PM.
- Youth Choir, for anyone in Grades 9-12, Sundays, 11:15-11:45 AM.
- Sanctuary Choir, for anyone in Grades 7-adult, Thursdays, 7:30- 9:00 PM.
- Handbell Choir, for anyone in Grades 7-adult, Mondays, 7:30-8:30 PM.

For questions about any choirs, please contact **Abby Palmisano**, **Organist and Director of Music**.

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, and the daily lectionary, or send a prayer request or make a financial donation

and not 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 is available on YouTube or via Zoom on the phone for those unable to attend in-person worship due to health comfort levels or travel situations. You can find our Sunday morning worship live streaming Sundays at 10:00 am with links below:

YouTube (Carmel Presbyterian Church Glenside) at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJljlDvsRw
Those without Internet access may phone in via the Zoom phone link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8428511409 and Meeting ID: 842 851 1409

CHRIST IS CALLING MISSION OPPORTUNITY — With the recent influx of asylum seekers from our Southern border arriving by bus in Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Presbytery is encouraging all churches to donate coats for men and women (size S-M), all sizes for children, and boots and warm shoes (Size 6-9) for men, women and children. Session has approved this project as a "Christ is Calling" mission opportunity and encourages your donations of new and gently used items. Place all donations in the bin provided in the lobby and call Janet Simon or Mary Ellen Thomas with any questions. "Blessed are they who are kind and merciful for they shall be shown mercy." Matthew 5

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Participants Serving the Church in Worship

Rev. Michelle Denney Grunseich, Guest Preacher
Rev. James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus
Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Organist and Director of Music
Sanctuary Choir, Nathaniel Gates, conga drum
Denise Abraham, Liturgist
Janet Simon, Usher/Greeters
Rodney Hackman & Walter Newman, Chancel Preparation and Emergency Procedure (CPEP)
Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, and Dave Rice, Live-Streaming Operators
Coffee Hour Host, Denise Abraham (11:00 AM)

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



When: Next Sunday, Jan. 29th after worship

Why: Because fellowship is a gift from Christ to us.

What should I bring: Whatever elicits a big "Yum!"

Runners will be available to take your dishes from the narthex to Carmel Hall before worship. The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation will commence about 20 minutes into the meal. Don't worry, you will be home before the Eagles' game.

Thanks to the Congregational Life Committee for graciously serving as hosts! Wish to join this vibrant committee? See Melissa Deacon or Joyce Kornfeld

COMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22 THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Worship in the Sanctuary (and Live-Streaming): 10:00 AM

Coffee & Fellowship Time, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

Youth Choir (Grades 9-12): 11:15-11:45 AM

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

Handbell Choir, Choir Room: 7:30-8:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

Children's Choir (Grades K-2), Choir Room & Sanctuary: 5:00-5:40 PM Junior Choir (Grades 3-8), Choir Room & Sanctuary: 5:45-6:30 PM CYM (Carmel Youth Ministry), (Grades 3-8), Carmel Hall: 6:30-7:30 PM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room & Sanctuary: 7:30-9:00 PM

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

Set up for Bingo, Carmel Hall & Kitchen: 4:00 PM Bingo, Carmel Hall (light supper served): 6:30 PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

Worship in the Sanctuary (and Live-Streaming): 10:00 AM

Annual meetings of the Congregation & Corporation, Carmel Hall and potluck

brunch: 11:00 AM

Youth Choir, Choir Room (Grades 9-12): 11:15-11:45 AM

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Let All Things Now Living



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Glory to the Father



*May be sung as a canon.

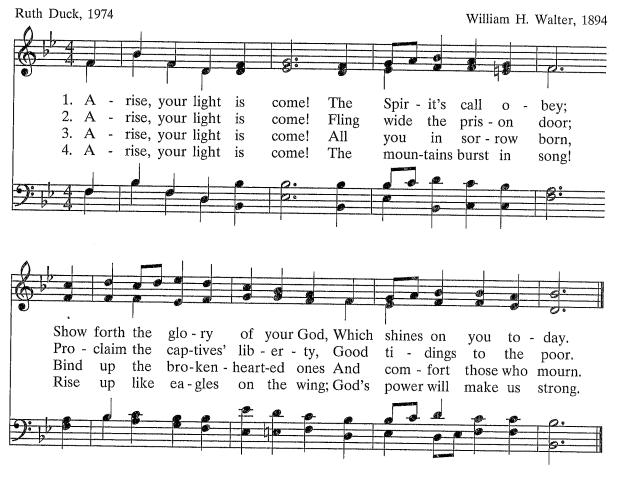
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Arise, Your Light Is Come!

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FESTAL SONG SM



592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Lord, Make Us More Holy

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