

*Carmel Presbyterian Church
observes the season of*

Lent



Adult Sunday School from 8:30-9:15 AM

Sunday Worship at 10:00 AM

Sermon Series "Forgiveness: A Way of Life"

Today's Sermon focus: Forgiveness is not just for
a few; it is for all.

Special Worship Services:

April 6, 6:30 PM - Maundy Thursday Supper/Worship
in Carmel Hall

April 7, 7:30 PM - Good Friday Worship, Sanctuary

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Carmel Presbyterian Church
First Sunday of Lent
February 26, 2023
10:00 AM

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BOLD type is for congregation to respond

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 *O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee* Barbara B. Kinyon
Handbell Choir

***Call to Worship**

L: Happy are those whose sin is forgiven.

P: Happy am I when the Lord attributes no waywardness in me.

L: There was a day...there are still days when my groaning is with me all day and all night.

P: It is the hand of the Lord that tries to turn me back. I resist, and my strength leaves my body.

L: But when I finally turn to the Lord, speak freely of my sins, and work no longer to hide them from my God who knows all, I find the beautiful gift of forgiveness.

P: Therefore, let all who are faithful offer prayer to the Lord. In our times of distress, our Lord will not forsake us. Friends in Christ, let us worship the God of our salvation!

***Hymn 275** *God of Our Life* Sandon

***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

God of the first and every morning, we know that Lent is a hard time for us. In a culture which showcases success, you call us to sacrifice ourselves for others. In a world which promotes power, you invite us to deny ourselves. In a society which encourages us to 'feel good,' you point us to the struggles of siblings, the burdens others bear.

By your mercy, forgive us. Remind us that as we journey with Jesus, we learn the steps of discipleship. As we listen to his call to obedience, may we learn how to say 'no' to all that tempts us. As we see his suffering, may we live out the good news which has come to us through our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Hear us as we offer our silent prayers of confession.

***Choral Response** *Kyrie* arr. David N. Johnson

***Declaration of Forgiveness**

***Gloria Patri 579**

Glory Be to the Father

Henry W. Greatorex

***Passing of the Peace**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Genesis 2:15-17

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Romans 5:12-19

Page 145

Matthew 4:1-11

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Message for the Children

Sermon

Of Universal Interest

Rev. Diller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S

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

***Hymn 280**

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

Amazing Grace

***Affirmation of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

Page 14, front of hymnal

Prayer of Thanksgiving, Intercession, and Supplication

The Lord's Prayer

Page 16, front of hymnal

Call to Offering

Offertory

(Text in Insert)

Just as I Am

Sanctuary Choir

Richard DeLong

(1951-1994)

***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**

God, Be the Love to Search and Keep Me

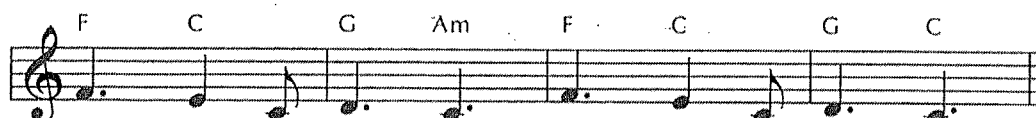
Green Tyler



1 God, be the love to search and keep me; God, be the prayer to
 2 Bind to my-self the Name of Ho - ly, great cloud of wit - ness -
 3 Bright-ness of sun and glow of moon-light, flash - ing of light-ning,
 4 Walk - ing be-hind to hem my jour - ney, go - ing a - head to
 5 Christ in the eyes of all who see me, Christ in the ears that



move my voice; God, be the strength to now, up - hold me:
 es en - fold; proph - ets, a - pos - tles, an - gels wit - ness:
 strength of wind, depth of the sea to soil of plan - et:
 light my way, and from be - neath, a - bove, and all ways:
 hear my voice, Christ in the hearts of all who know me:



O Christ, sur-round me; O Christ, sur-round me.

This hymn is a 21st-century adaptation of the traditional Celtic prayer style known as a *lorica* (Latin for "armor" or "breastplate"). Many such petitions for God's presence and protection were never written down, but this one is based on an example attributed to St. Patrick.

TEXT and MUSIC: Richard Bruxvoort Colligan, 2004
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GREEN TYLER
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***Charge and Benediction**

Chimes & Postlude

Prelude in C Major

J. S. Bach

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 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.

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 after the **Children's Message** and go with their leader to the **Children's Church Room** off the Chapel. An usher can be of assistance.

THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are witness to the glory of God and God's good creation.

THE NURSERY SCHOOL will be having a candy sale fundraiser. If you would like to order some delicious Gertrude Hawk candy our orders are due February 27th. The candy will be in just in time for Easter!!

Look for order forms in the Church office or go to www.gertrudehawk.com, click on the fundraising button and enter the code 703475 in the Group Member Sign Up box. Click on Carmel Nursery School and start your shopping! Thank you for your support!

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Participants Serving the Church in Worship

Rev. John M. Diller, Senior Pastor

Rev. James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus

Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Organist and Director of Music

Handbell Choir and Sanctuary Choir

David Rice, Worship Assistant

Jed Smith, Usher/Greeters

Rodney Hackman & Walter Newman, Chancel Preparation and Emergency Procedure (CPEP)

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

David Rice, Coffee Hour Host (11:00 AM)

A NOTE FROM THE CHOIR LOFT: Celebrate Easter - Join the Festival Choir!

You are invited to join our Sanctuary Choir to help form a special Festival Choir for our Good Friday and Easter services. It is just a commitment of five weeks. Carmel members and friends who cannot make that weekly Thursday night commitment throughout the academic year, but would like to sing in a choir, are invited for these special services. Anyone who can match pitch and can smile is welcome to sing.

Rehearsals for Easter begin on Thursday, March 9, at 7:30 PM in the Choir Room. Rehearsals will run for five weeks: Thursdays, March 9, March 16, March 23, March 30 and Wednesday, April 5 at 7:30 PM. We will be singing for the Good Friday service on April 7 at 7:30 PM and the 10:00 AM Easter service on April 9.

Please contact Abby Palmisano and let her know that you can come, or just come to as many of the rehearsal dates as you can make. If you have any questions please call Abby at 215-887-1074 (press #3). Hope to see you then!

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/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

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>

SANCTUARY CHOIR ANTHEM

Just as I am, without one plea, But that thy blood was shed for me,
And that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt,
Fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, thy love unknown Has broken every barrier down,
Now to be thine, yea, thine alone, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Just as I am, of thy great love The breadth, length, depth, and height to prove,
Here for a season, then above, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Text: Charlotte Elliott, (1789-1871)

God of Our Life

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Charles Henry Purday, 1860
Harm. John Weaver, 1986

Hugh Thomson Kerr, 1916; alt. 1928

1. God of our life, through all the cir - cling years, We trust in Thee;
2. God of the past, our times are in Thy hand; With us a - bide.
3. God of the com - ing years, through paths un - known We fol - low Thee;

In all the past, through all our hopes and fears, Thy hand we see.
Lead us by faith to hope's true prom-ised land; Be Thou our guide.
When we are strong, Lord, leave us not a - lone; Our ref - uge be.

With each new day, when morn - ing lifts the veil,
With Thee to bless, the dark - ness shines as light,
Be Thou for us in life our dai - ly bread,

We own Thy mer - cies, Lord, which nev - er fail.
And faith's fair vi - sion chan - ges in - to sight.
Our heart's true home when all our years have sped.

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Glory Be to the Father

Gloria Patri

Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The melody begins with a dotted quarter note on G4, followed by quarter notes on A4, B-flat4, and C5. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and moving lines.

Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin - ning, is

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff features a dotted quarter note on D5, followed by quarter notes on E5, F5, and G5. The bass staff continues with its accompaniment.

now, and ev - er shall be, world with-out end. A - men, A - men.

The third system concludes the piece. The treble staff ends with a dotted quarter note on G5, followed by quarter notes on F5 and E5. The bass staff concludes with a final chord. The piece ends with a double bar line.

Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound 280

AMAZING GRACE CM

Stanzas 1-4, John Newton, 1779

Stanza 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790*Virginia Harmony*, 1831

Arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1900

1. A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re - lieved;
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my hope se - cures;

I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.
 How pre - cious did that grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!
 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.
 He will my shield and por - tion be As long as life en - dures.

5. When we've been there ten thousand
 years,
 Bright shining as the sun,
 We've no less days to sing God's praise
 Than when we'd first begun.

Choctaw
 Shilombish holitopa ma!
 Ishmminti pulla cha
 Hatak ilbusha pia ha
 Is pi yukpalashke

Kiowa
 Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy he tsow'haw
 Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy hee.
 Bay dawtsahy taw, gaw aym ow thah t'aw,
 Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy h'ee.

Cherokee
 Ooh nay thla nah, hee oo way gee'.
 E gah gwoo yah hay ee.
 Naw gwoo joe sah, we you low say,
 E gah gwoo yah ho nah.

Creek
 Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet
 Ah non ah cha pa kas
 Cha fee kee o funnan la kus
 Um e ha ta la yus.

Navaho
 Nizhónígo jooba' diits' a'
 Yisdáshítinigí,
 Lah yóóiyá, k'ad shénáhoosdzin,
 Doo eesh'íí da nt'ée.

Text: Phonetic transcription Cherokee, Kiowa, Creek, and Choctaw: Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference;
 Navaho: phonetic transcription by Albert Tsosie.

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 bless-ings flow; Praise *Him, all crea-tures

here be-low; Praise *Him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host;

Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men.

* Or "God."

COMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Lenten Bible Study, Lounge: 8:30-9:15 AM
Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 8:30 AM
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:15 AM
Worship in the Sanctuary, (and Live-Streaming): 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir, Choir Room (Grades 9-12): 11:15-11:45 AM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Nursery School Advisory Board, via Zoom: 7:00 PM
Handbell Choir, Choir Room: 7:30-8:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1

Staff meeting, Lounge: 10:30 AM
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
Lenten Bible Study, via Zoom: 6:50-7:30 PM

THURSDAY, MARCH 2

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

SUNDAY, MARCH 5

Lenten Bible Study, Lounge: 8:30-9:15 AM
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:15 AM
Junior Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room: 9:30 AM
Worship in the Sanctuary - Communion, (and Live-Streaming): 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir, Choir Room (Grades 9-12): 11:15-11:45 AM
VBS Interest Planning Meeting, via Zoom: 7:30 PM