

Carmel Presbyterian Church Fourth Sunday of Easter April 30, 2023 10:00 AM

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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

Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Crimond

Quentin Thomas

(The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want)

- *Call to Worship and Prayer
- L: Join me as we read Psalm 23
- P: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside still waters;

he restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me;

your rod and your staff-- they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,

and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.

- L: Now, let's pray together
- P: Almighty God, you sent Jesus, our good shepherd, to gather us together. May we not wander from the flock, but follow wherever he leads us, listening for his voice and staying near him, until we are forever safely in your fold. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Lord's My Shepherd

Dominus regit me

God of the day and of the night, we profess that your eternal presence is a comfort in this life. We recall with good reason the psalms we learned as children. The tunes of Sunday School appear as humming, or whistling, seemingly out of nowhere. Why is it that these tender memories do not help us overcome our sinful nature?

Only you, Good Shepherd, would remind us that we have strayed. Help us not to hide from your voice again. Let out hearts remember the joy of your forgiveness so that we may

^{*}Hymn 174

^{*}Call to Confession

^{*}Prayer of Confession

pray in truth and humility. (offer your silent prayer of confession in truth and humility...after a few moments, the leader will continue the prayer) With confidence borne of your mercy, let all your people return to you. Alleluia to the risen Lord. Amen.

*Seasonal Response (Hymn 119, Stanza 1)

Victory

The strife is o'er, the battle done
The victory of life has won;
The song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!

*Declaration of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri 567

Glory to the Father

John Weaver

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

1 Peter 2:19-25

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Acts 2:42-47

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Message for the Children

Sermon

Witness, Commonly

Rev. Diller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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

*Hymn 507

I Come with Joy

Dove of Peace

*Affirmation of Faith from A Brief Statement of Faith (Insert)

Prayer for Thanksgiving, Petition, Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

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Call to Offering

Offertory

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

arr. Walter L. Pelz

Junior Choir and Sanctuary Choir

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth and, where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me, And on His shoulder gently laid, And home rejoicing brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with Thee, dear Lord, beside me, Thy rod and staff my comfort still; Thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth;

and, oh, what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth!

And so, through all the length of days, Thy goodness faileth never. Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever. (Text: Psalm 23, Paraphrased by Henry Williams Baker, 1868)

*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 111

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

Gelobt sei Gott

*Charge and Benediction

Chimes

Postlude

Good Christian Friends, Rejoice and Sing

Healey Willan

(Hymn tune: Gelobt sei Gott)

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.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for the Service of Installation for Rev. John M. Diller, Pastor of Carmel Presbyterian Church. The service will be held May 7, 2023 at 3:30 p.m. in the Carmel Sanctuary followed by a reception in Carmel Hall.

BRING SUMMER JOY TO OUR GEMMA KIDS, our Gemma drive has officially started. Please see the list of requested items and the bin to place items in the Church lobby.

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

NOTES FROM THE STEWARDSHIP. The Pentecost Special Offering is in 4 parts. Forty percent of the offering stays with Carmel to support local ministries with children, youth, and young adults. This year we have elected to support the Pennsylvania School of the Deaf, located on School House Lane in Philadelphia.

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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
Junior Choir and Sanctuary Choir,
Lynne Schutt, Worship Assistant
Susan Lohoefer, Greeter/Usher
Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, and Dave Rice, Live-Streaming Operators
Nancy Pinkowicz, Coffee Hour (11:00 AM)

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

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

A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA), 1983 Parts 1, 2, 5, 6

In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, Fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

A Special Invitation

Service of Installation celebrating and recognizing God's call on

Carmel Presbyterian Church and Rev. John M. Diller

to come together for the sake of mission, ministry, and the furthering of the peace and mercy of God.

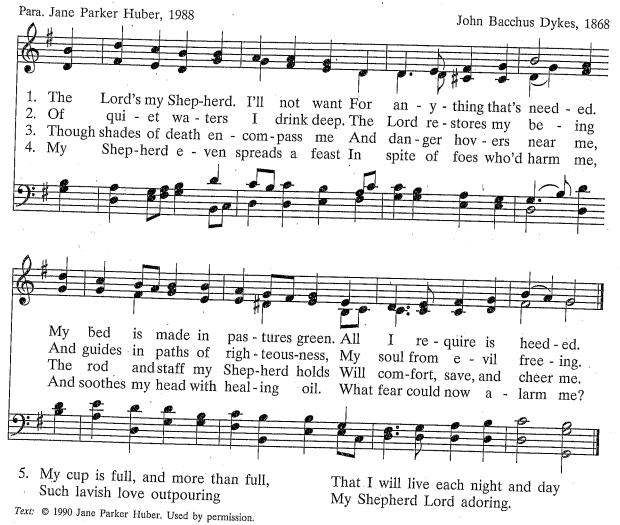
There are special times in the life of the Church when we should take time to offer additional praise and gratitude to Almighty God for the unveiling of new purpose and opportunity. I hope you will come out and express our common joy.

Sunday, May 7 3:30 p.m. Sanctuary

Service will last no more than 1 hr 10 min. Reception following in Carmel Hall

The Lord's My Shepherd

DOMINUS REGIT ME 8.7.8.7



Glory to the Father



*May be sung as a canon.

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I Come with Joy

DOVE OF PEACE 8.6.8.6.6



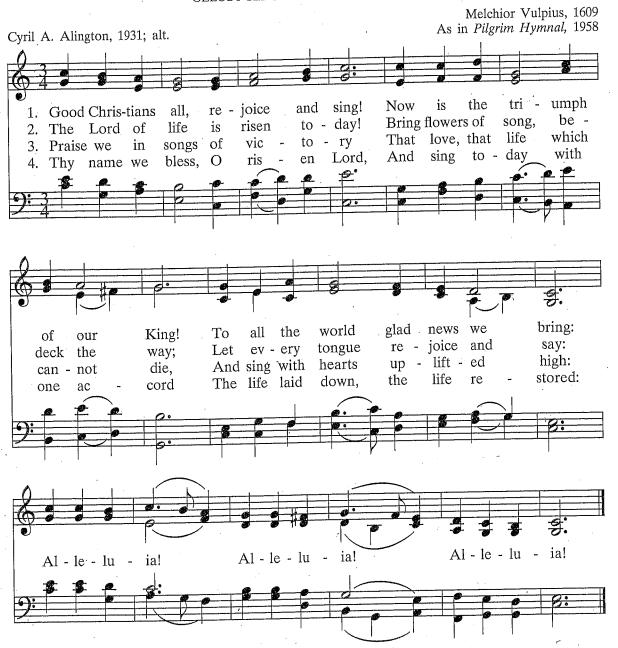
* Or "God."

592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing! 111

GELOBT SEI GOTT 8.8.8 with alleluias



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COMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, APRIL 30

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:15 AM

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

Nursery School Art Show and Ice Cream Social, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

Youth Choir, Choir Room: 11:15-11:45 AM

CFF Cook-in, Carmel Hall: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM

WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

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 Hall: 6:30-7:30PM (grades 3-8)

ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30PM

THURSDAY, MAY 4

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

FRIDAY, MAY 5

Kids Night Out, School Building: 5:00-8:00 PM

SATURDAY, MAY 6

ICGC, Prayer Vigil, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM - 4:30 AM

SUNDAY, MAY 7

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: 11:15-11:45 AM

Installation of Rev. John M. Diller, Sanctuary 3:30 PM

Reception for Installation of Rev. John M. Diller, Carmel Hall: 4:30-7:00 PM