



Carmel Presbyterian Church
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VBS Sunday

Carmel Presbyterian Church
Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
July 2, 2023
10:00 AM

*indicates please stand as you are able
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.

Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Prelude	<i>Meditation on Carlisle (Hymn 491)</i> <i>(Stand Up and Bless the Lord)</i>	Charles Callahan (b. 1951)
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***Call to Worship**

L: Be strong in the Lord, and in the strength of his power.

P: The Lord is the source of truth and light. I will serve the Lord alone.

L: The evil in the world is tricky; it's voices are loud and it has many followers.

P: I will not be swayed by that which is shiny and popular. The Lord is my shield and my helper forever.

L: Let us be built up by God, who made the perfect armor for this life, and gave it to us in the person of Jesus our Savior.

P: God is our strength and our song. Salvation is now ours. Praise the Lord!

*Hymn 491	<i>Stand Up and Bless the Lord</i>	Carlisle
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***Call to Confession**

***Prayer of Confession**

O Lord our God, you call us to be your people and to work out our salvation in you, but we consistently turn other ways and wrap ourselves with false protections. Forgive us for not having faith in you. Forgive us for ignoring the needs around us and instead focusing on our wants. Forgive us for not serving you in truth, with peace. Set our hearts at rest with the assurance of your mercy and let us return to your paths. Hear us now as we offer our silent confessions. (pray silently)

***Declaration of Forgiveness**

*Gloria Patri #567	<i>Glory to the Father</i>	John Weaver
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***Passing of the Peace**

*Response	<i>"We Are Forgiven"</i>	Hal H. Hopson
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WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Selection

Ephesians 6:10-17

Be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the devil's tricks.

For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm.

Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of justice.

As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with this you will be protected from the flaming arrows of evil.

Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Sermon

"The Best Armor"

Rev. Diller

A Message about Smiles, Friendship, and Helpfulness

Songs

"Knights of North Castle"

VBS Knights

"Hey, Hey Goliath!"

"Emmanuel"

"Jesus Loves Me"

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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

Volunteer Recognition

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Call to Offering

Offertory

(see insert)

The Lord's My Shepherd

Peter Heckman, tenor soloist

Bob Chilcott

(b. 1955)

Presentation of the Elements

The Great Thanksgiving

Sanctus Hymn 581

Joseph Roff

(sung by all)

**“Holy, holy holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.”**

The Lord's Prayer

Page 14, front of hymnal

The Serving

Converse

Robert A. Hobby

(What a Friend We Have in Jesus)

Prayer

Look at all you have granted us, Lord of open hands and open hearts! Thank you for filling us so completely, with mercy and grace, that we have become one fellowship at your table. Let us extend this table with the armor of smiles, friendship, and helpfulness, designed to reveal your kingdom to the world. In Jesus's name. 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 561**

My Country 'Tis of Thee

America

***Charge and Benediction**

Rev. Diller

Chimes

Postlude

Festive Scherzo

Malcolm Archer

(b. 1952)

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.

WE WELCOME BACK HOME Peter Heckman, soloist. PJ grew up at Carmel where he began singing in our Children's Choir at age 4. He continued to sing with the Junior Choir, Youth Choir, Festival Choir, Sanctuary Choir, played in the Handbell Choir, and served as Carmel's Choir Assistant. PJ is a graduate of Westminster Choir College where he earned both an undergraduate and graduate degree in Music Education. He currently teaches choir and general music at Pond Road Middle School in Robbinsville NJ. PJ lives in Ewing, NJ with his wife Rev. Bailey Heckman, and his three children Annalise, Bennett, and Layna.

SUMMER LIBRARY AND VOLUNTEERS: Beginning July 9, the Library will be open Sundays from 9:00-10:00 and during Coffee Hour, Mondays from 11:00-12:30 and Wednesdays from 9:30-11:00. Adult and Youth volunteers are invited to sign up for a time by contacting Kathy at office@presbycarmel.org

A NOTE OF THANKS AND APPRECIATION: Vacation Bible School 2023 is in the books, so to speak, but the excitement will live on in the songs, activities and lessons each child enjoyed. We saw some new faces, met some new families, and shared in the joy of Christian fellowship. Thank you to everyone who offered support in all kinds of ways. Your donations, your presence, your support, and your prayers all mean so much and most certainly contributed to a successful week. Thanks again! Pastor John Diller

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.

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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 financial donation—and not miss the latest on the Carmel Calendar.

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>

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>

Participants Serving the Church in Worship

Rev. John M. Diller, Pastor

Rev. James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus

Peter Heckman, tenor soloist

Knights of North Castle, Worship Leader

Nancy Pinkowicz, Greeter/Usher

Lynne Schutt and Beth Cherry, Communion Elder

*Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, and Dave Rice, Live-Streaming Operators
,Coffee Hour (11:00 AM)*

491 Stand Up and Bless the Lord

CARLISLE SM

Charles Lockhart, 1769

Desc. Sydney Nicholson (1875-1947)

James Montgomery, 1824; alt.

Descant

5. Stand up and bless the Lord; The

1. Stand up and bless the Lord, Ye
 2. Though high above all praise, A -
 3. O for the living flame From
 4. God is our strength and song, Now

Lord your God a - dore; Stand up and bless God's

peo - ple of God's choice; Stand up and bless the
 bove all bless - ing high, Who would not fear God's
 God's own al - tar brought, To touch our lips, our
 is sal - va - tion ours; Then be God's love in

glo - rious name, Hence - forth for - ev - er - more.

Lord your God With heart and soul and voice.
 ho - ly name, And laud and mag - ni - fy?
 minds in - spire, And wing to heaven our thought!
 Christ pro - claimed With all our ran - somed powers.

5. Stand up and bless the Lord;
 The Lord your God adore;

Stand up and bless God's glorious name,
 Henceforth forevermore.

Glory to the Father

Gloria Patri

567

John Weaver, 1978

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line on a single treble clef staff and a piano accompaniment on two staves (treble and bass clefs). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 3/2. The piano part begins with a forte (f) dynamic and includes a 'Ped.' (pedal) marking. The lyrics are: '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.' There are two asterisks (*) above the vocal line, one above the first measure of the first system and one above the first measure of the second system, indicating where a canon can be performed.

*May be sung as a canon.

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My Country, 'Tis of Thee

AMERICA 6.6.4.6.6.6.4

Samuel Francis Smith, 1831

Thesaurus Musicus, London, c. 1740

1. My coun - try, 'tis of thee, Sweet land of lib - er - ty,
 2. My na - tive coun - try, thee, Land of the no - ble free,
 3. Let mu - sic swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees
 4. Our *fa - thers' God, to Thee, Au - thor of lib - er - ty,

Of thee I sing; Land where my *fa - thers died, Land of the
 Thy name I love; I love thy rocks and rills, Thy woods and
 Sweet free-dom's song; Let mor - tal tongues a - wake, Let all that
 To Thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With free-dom's

pil - grims' pride, From ev - ery moun-tain - side Let free - dom ring.
 tem - pled hills; My heart with rap - ture thrills Like that a - bove.
 breathe par - take, Let rocks their si - lence break, The sound pro - long.
 ho - ly light; Pro - tect us by Thy might, Great God, our King.

*Or "parents."

COMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, JULY 2

Worship in the Sanctuary (and Live-Streaming): 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM

TUESDAY, JULY 4

Happy 4th of July!
Church office closed

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

Staff Meeting, Lounge: 10:30 AM
ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, JULY 8

ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, JULY 9

Worship in the Sanctuary (and Live-Streaming): 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM

Offertory

The Lord's My Shepherd

Bob Chilcott
(b. 1955)

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie
In pastures green: he leadeth me The quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again; And me to walk doth make
Within the paths of righteousness, E'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill:
For thou art with me and thy rod And staff me comfort still.

My table thou has furnished In presence of my foes;
My head thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me:
And in my Father's heart always My dwelling place shall be