

*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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*Carmel Presbyterian Church
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost
July 30, 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

Holy Manna
(God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens)

Wilbur Held
(1914-2015)

****Call to Worship*** (Thom Shuman)

L: On this day of worship, we call on God's name,
P: and hear our own invitation to work for the good of all.
L: Gathered with neighbors and strangers, we call on God's hope,
P: and discover that a lifetime of service seems but a few days.
L: In this place of praise and prayer, we call on God's love,
**P: and receive that grace which is as old as creation,
yet as fresh as each morning.**

****Hymn 268***

God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens

Holy Manna

****Call to Confession***

****Prayer of Confession***

God of all, you have searched me and you have known me. Your searching is performed in all righteousness, and your knowing is held in all truth. Why is it that we, your professing people, cannot even begin to dwell in righteousness and truth? Forgive us, God who stretches the heavens and who rules the tiny atom. Fill us again with teaching that shows us your open arms of grace and love. One day we will lay aside the need to lift up iniquity as if it were God's plan. Until then, we need your mercy. Hear now our silent prayers of confession.

****Declaration of Forgiveness***

L: Hear the good news. The One who has the power to destroy, has chosen to save.
The One who could punish us, now prays for us. Salvation has become the new and ultimate power in the world.
P: Praise be to God! Let my heart be assured: nothing in life or in death can separate me from the love of God. My heart is at peace. Let every heart find peace. Amen.

****Gloria Patri 567***

Glory to the Father

John Weaver

**Passing of the Peace*

**Response*

We Are Forgiven

Hal H. Hopson

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

1 Kings 3:5-12

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Psalms 119:129-136

Your decrees are wonderful; therefore my soul keeps them. The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple. With open mouth I pant, because I long for your commandments. Turn to me and be gracious to me, as is your custom toward those who love your name.

Keep my steps steady according to your promise, and never let iniquity have dominion over me.

Redeem me from human oppression, that I may keep your precepts.

Make your face shine upon your servant, and teach me your statutes.

My eyes shed streams of tears because your law is not kept.

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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Sermon

"The Weight of an Atom"

Rev. Diller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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

**Hymn 365*

Jesus, Priceless Treasure

Jesu, meine Freude

**Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)*

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Minute for Mission

"Carmel Literacy Initiative"

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

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Call to Offering

Offertory

Sheep May Safely Graze

J. S. Bach/C. Ruck

(from Cantata BWV 208)

(1713)

Meg Vandegrift, soloist

Sheep may safely graze unceasing, In a steadfast shepherd's sight,

He who rules with vision guiding Brings us rest and peace abiding,

Saves our souls from endless night.

**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 366**

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

St. Catherine

***Charge, Responsively**

L: Now in this moment, God calls us to go forth.

**P: We will let nothing get in the way
of working for the good of all.**

L: Now in this place, Jesus sends us out.

**P: We will let nothing get in the way
of sharing hope and justice with all.**

L: Now as all of God's people, the Spirit scatters us.

**P: We will let nothing get in the way
of being that grace which is as old as creation,
as fresh as our next breath.**

***Benediction**

Chimes

Postlude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Paul Manz
(1919-2009)

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. Please 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 soloist Meg Vandegrift today. Thank you for leading us in worship.

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

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 for the glory of God and God's 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

Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Organist and Director of Music

Meg Vandergrift, Soloist

Janet Simon, Worship Assistant

Linda MacFarland and Lynne Schutt, Greeter/Usher

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

Nicole Bohlander, Coffee Hour (11:00 AM)

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HOLY MANNA 8.7.8.7 D

Attr. William Moore, 1825
Harm. Charles Anders, 1969

Catherine Arnott Cameron, 1967; alt.

F Dm Gm Dm Am Gm7

1. God, who stretched the span - gled heav - ens In - fi - nite in
 2. We have ven - tured worlds un - dreamed of Since the child - hood
 3. As each far ho - ri - zon beck - ons, May it chal - lenge

Bb7 Dm C Dm C Bb7

time and place, Flung the suns in burn - ing ra - diance
 of our race; Known the ec - sta - sy of wing - ing
 us a - new: Chil - dren of cre - a - tive pur - pose,

Am Bb7 C F F Dm7

Through the si - lent fields of space: We, Your chil - dren
 Through un - trav - eled realms of space; Probed the se - crets
 Serv - ing oth - ers, hon - oring You. May our dreams prove

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Bb7 Gm7 Bb7 Am7 Bb7 Gm7 C



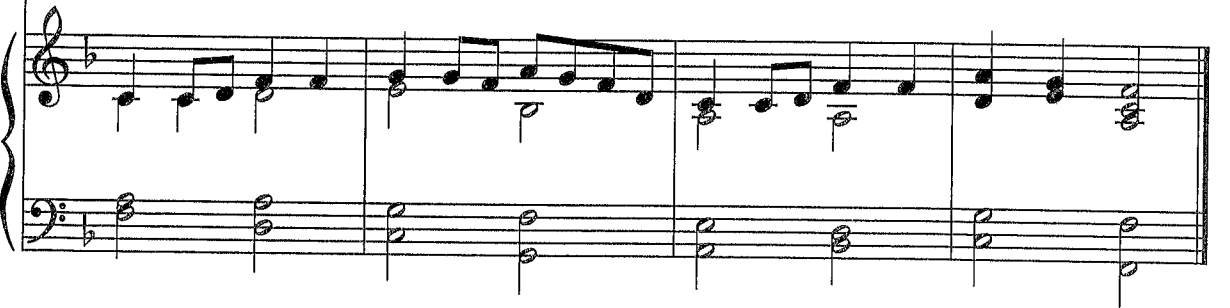
in Your like - ness, Share in - ven - tive powers with You;
of the at - om, Yield - ing un - i - mag - ined power,
rich with prom - ise, Each en - deav - or well be - gun;



F Dm C Gm7 Am Bb7 C6 C F



Great Cre - a - tor, still cre - at - ing, Show us what we yet may do.
Fac - ing us with life's de - struc - tion Or our most tri - um - phant hour.
Great Cre - a - tor, give us guid - ance Till our goals and Yours are one.



Glory to the Father

Gloria Patri

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John Weaver, 1978

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

f
Ped.

* *
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.

♩=58-63

*May be sung as a canon.

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Jesus, Priceless Treasure

JESU, MEINE FREUDE 6.6.5.6.6.5.7.8.6

Johann Franck, 1650

Trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1863

Johann Crüger, 1653

Harm. Johann Sebastian Bach, 1723

1. Je - sus, price - less trea - sure, Source of pur - est plea - sure,
 2. In Thine arm I rest me; Foes who would op - press me
 3. Hence, all thoughts of sad - ness! For the Lord of glad - ness,

Tru - est friend to me; Long my heart hath pant - ed, Till it well - nigh
 Can - not reach me here. Though the earth be shak - ing, Ev - ery heart be
 Je - sus, en - ters in: Those who love the Fa - ther, Though the storms may

faint - ed, Thirst - ing af - ter Thee. Thine I am, O spot - less Lamb,
 quak - ing, God dis - pels our fear; Sin and hell in con - flict fell
 gath - er, Still have peace with - in; Yea, what - e'er we here must bear,

I will suf - fer nought to hide Thee, Ask for nought be - side Thee.
 With their heav - iest storms as - sail us: Je - sus will not fail us.
 Still in Thee lies pur - est plea - sure, Je - sus, price - less trea - sure!

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

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff in G major. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The melody is written in a simple, homophonic style. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes.

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

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The treble staff features a melodic line with some rests and a final cadence. The bass staff continues with harmonic support.

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

The third system concludes the piece. The treble staff ends with a double bar line and repeat dots. The bass staff also concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

* Or "God."

Jesus, Thy Boundless Love to Me

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ST. CATHERINE 8.8.8.8.8.8

Paul Gerhardt, 1653
Trans. John Wesley, c. 1739; alt.

Henri Frederick Hemy, 1864
Alt. James George Walton, 1874

1. Je - sus, Thy bound - less love to me No thought can
2. O grant that noth - ing in my soul May dwell, but
3. O Love, how gra - cious is Thy way! All fear be -

reach, no tongue de - clare; O knit my thank - ful heart to Thee,
Thy pure love a - lone; O may Thy love pos - sess me whole,
fore Thy pres - ence flies; Care, an - guish, sor - row melt a - way,

And reign with - out a ri - val there! Thine whol - ly, Thine a -
My joy, my trea - sure, and my crown! All cold - ness from my
Wher - e'er Thy heal - ing beams a - rise. O Je - sus, noth - ing

lone, I'd live, My - self to Thee en - tire - ly give.
heart re - move; May ev - ery act, word, thought be love.
may I see, Noth - ing de - sire, or seek, but Thee.

COMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY, JULY 30

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

Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM

MONDAY, JULY 31

VBS Volunteer Follow-up, Zoom: 7:00-8:00PM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2

ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

FRIDAY, AUGUST 4

Yoga with Lois Herbine, Lounge: 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

SATURDAY, AUGUST 5

ICGC Prayer Vigil, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM – 4:00 AM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

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

Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM