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 Twelfth Sunday After Pentecost August 20, 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 on A Shaker
(Simple Gifts)

James Southbridge

- \*Call to Worship (from Psalm 67)
  - L: Let all the peoples praise you, O God.
  - P: Be gracious to us and bless us. Make your face shine upon us.
  - L: Let all the peoples praise you, O God.
  - P: Let your saving power be known among all nations.
  - L: Let all the peoples praise you, O God.
  - P: Nations, let us be glad and sing for joy, for the Lord guides us and judges us with equity.
  - L: Let all the peoples praise you, O God.
- P: As the earth increases her yield, make the people to increase in love, understanding, and faithful witness to the salvation of our God.

\*Hymn 356

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Nettleton

#### **Unison Prayer**

Creator God, when you called forth the lands and separated the firmaments, you intended one humanity to claim the gift of the land, and one humanity to claim the wonders of the skies. But we have fallen from that intention; we tried to create another way- a better way.

We decided the earth and all that is in it no longer belongs to God but to us (ref. Ps. 24).

We admit that we claim the heritage of sin more readily than we claim the heritage of forgiveness.

We admit that we seek first to find a human moral equivalence for our thoughts and actions, rather than seek the One who removes the plank from our eye.

We admit that we are still slow to accept the possibility that they who are so different from me desire as much to attain a peaceful fellowship.

Restoring Spirit, bless this gathering of your faithful and every gathering which seeks unity over separation. Grant the nations the assurance we need to stand together boldly and witness to the Divine presence in every life. Let the goodness of your love fall on us, as crumbs falling

from the great banquet table, causing every tongue to clamor for more. Such is the sweetness of your grace, shown and taught through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

\*Response "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" Ken Medema

\*Declaration of Forgiveness

\*Gloria Patri 567 Glory to the Father John Weaver

\*Passing of the Peace

\*Response "We Are Forgiven"

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

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

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Scripture Lessons Isaiah 56:1, 6-8 Page 645

Matthew 15:10-28 Page 16

Sermon "Pop Quiz" Rev. John Diller

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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

\*Hymn 158 The One is Blest Dunfermline

\*Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)

Prayers of the People

"As a child rests in his mother's arms, so will I rest in you."

The Lord's Prayer Page 16, front of hymnal

Call to Offering

Offertory How Can I Keep from Singing arr. Richard Walters
David Campbell, soloist

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.

I hear the real, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.

It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?

What though the tempest round me rears, I know the truth, it liveth. What though the darkness round me close, Songs in the night it giveth. No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging Since love is lord of Heaven and earth How can I keep from singing?

When tyrants tremble, sick with fear And hear their death knells ringing; When friends rejoice both far and near, How can I keep from singing? In prison cell and dungeon vile Our thoughts to them are winging. When friends by shame are undefiled, How can I keep from singing?

No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging. It sounds an echo in my soul How can I keep from singing?

\*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 294 Wherever I may Wander New England

Charge

L: Now go, to serve as God's people.

P: We will work to remove all that divides us from others.

L: Now go, to share the grace of Jesus.

P: We will love others just as we are loved.

L: Now go, to be the Spirit's community.

P: We will invite everyone to join us in this life of faith and service.

Benediction

Postlude Dialogue Sur Les Grands Jeux François Couperin

# 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.

THANK YOU to soloist, David Campbell, 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 <a href="mailto:office@presbycarmel.org">office@presbycarmel.org</a>

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, that you 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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### Participants Serving the Church in Worship

Rev. John M. Diller, Pastor
Rev. James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus
Joel Klingman, Guest Organist
David Campbell, Soloist
Lynne Schutt, Worship Assistant
, Greeter/Usher
Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, and Dave Rice, Live-Streaming Operators
, Coffee Hour (11:00 AM)

**WONDER "WHAT'S GOING ON?" CHECK OUT CARMEL'S WEBSITE!** Explore the wealth of information at <a href="www.presbycarmel.org">www.presbycarmel.org</a>. 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 <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJljIDvsRw">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJljIDvsRw</a>

**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

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PLEASE HOLD the date for a new season of church choirs.

A new season of singing and ringing starts in September. Please hold the following dates and times for our first rehearsal.

*Children's Choir*, for anyone in Grades K-2, will begin on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 from 5:00-5:40 PM.

*Junior Choir*, for anyone in Grades 3-8, will begin on Wednesday, September 13, 2023 from 5:45-6:30 PM.

**Youth Choir**, for anyone in Grades 9-12, will begin on Sunday, September 17, from 11:15-11:45 AM.

*Sanctuary Choir*, for anyone in Grades 7-adult, will begin on Thursday, September 7, from 7:30-9:00 PM.

**Handbell Choir**, for anyone in Grades 6-adult, will begin on Monday, September 18, from 7:30-8:30 PM.

## Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing 356

Robert Robinson, c. 1758

- Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise.
   Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love!
- Here I raise my Ebenezer,
   Hither by Thy help I'm come;
   And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
   Safely to arrive at home.

Tune NETTLETON. Opposite.

- Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed His precious blood.
- 3. O to grace how great a debtor
  Daily I'm constrained to be!
  Let that grace now, like a fetter,
  Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
  Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
  Prone to leave the God I love;
  Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
  Seal it for Thy courts above.



\*May be sung as a canon.

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# **PSALMS**

### PSALM 1

# The One Is Blest

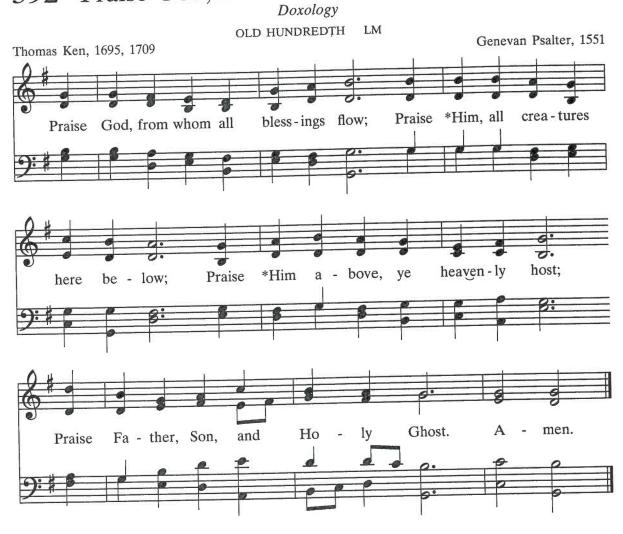
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The Lord will guard the righteous well, Their way to God is known; The way of sinners, far from God, Shall surely be o'erthrown.

\* Or "God."

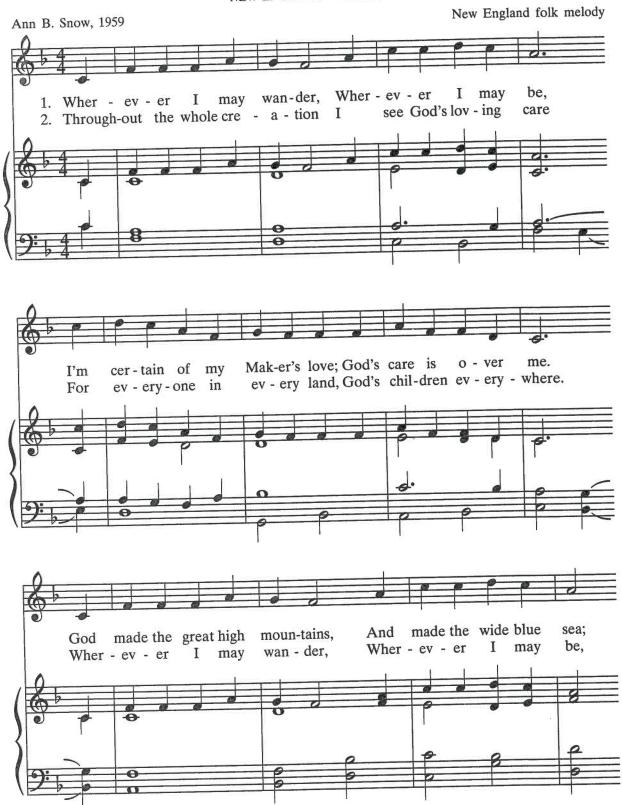
# 592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

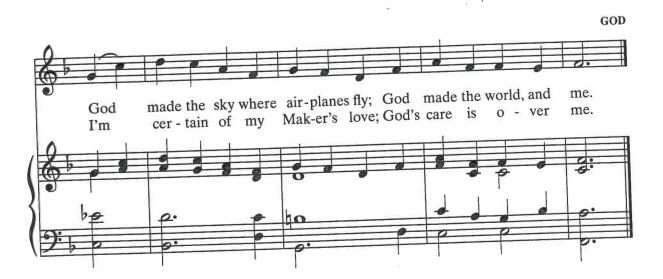


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### **COMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK**

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 20**

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

Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM

### **MONDAY, AUGUST 21**

Worship & Sacraments meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23**

CYM Summer Outing (gr. 3-8), Hilltop Mini Golf Course & Rita's: 6:30-8:30 PM

ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

### **SATURDAY, AUGUST 26**

ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

### **SUNDAY, AUGUST 27**

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

Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM Session meets in Lounge: 11:30 AM

ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM