

*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
January 21, 2024
Third Sunday After Epiphany
10:00 AM

** Please stand, as able.*
*Congregation voices **Bold** responses.*

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Meditation on

Robert J. Powell

I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

****Call to Worship***

L: Silence your scattered thoughts and lay down your distractions. God calls us here to worship.

A: We are here to worship.

L: Drop your nets and leave your boats. God is with us. Jesus calls us.

A: We are here to worship.

L: Let us worship God together.

****Hymn 461***

God Is Here!

Abbot's Leigh

****Call to Confession***

Jesus calls to us: change your hearts and change your lives! Repent, and believe the good news. The mercy and forgiveness we have already received enables us to be honest about the places in our lives in need of transformation. Let us confess our sin together.

****Prayer of Confession***

God of mercy, we confess that we have settled down in Nineveh. We have gotten comfortable in our categories: haves and have-nots, makers and takers, bigots and bystanders, self-starters and subordinates, law-abiders and illegals, the perpetrators and the innocent.

We confess that we are comfortable living under systems of injustice and exploitation. We confess our discomfort in speaking truths that unmask idolatries. Make us ready to follow Jesus, ready to repent, and eager to change our hearts and lives. Call to us again, and show us your mercy. Let us hear your good news again. Amen.
(pray silently)

****Declaration of Forgiveness***

God desires relationship with us, and reconciliation for all of creation. Jesus comes bearing the good news of forgiveness and transformation. Receive the good news of God's grace: We are forgiven!

***Gloria Patri Hymn 567**
***Passing of the Peace**

Glory to the Father

John Weaver

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Psalm 62:5-8

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Mark 1:14-20

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Children's Message

Sermon

A Walk of Faith

Rev. Michelle Denney Grunseich

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn 447**

Lead On, O King Eternal

Lancashire

***Declaration of Faith** (from one of the Presbyterian creeds)

In forming his people and sending them into the world Jesus called individuals to be disciples. They were to share the joy of his companionship, to understand and obey his teachings, and to follow him in life and death.

We confess that Christians today are called to discipleship. Life shared with Christ and shaped by Christ is God's undeserved gift to each of us.

It is also God's demand upon every one of us, never perfectly fulfilled by any of us. Forgiven by God and supported by our siblings in Christ, we strive to become more faithful and effective in our daily practice of the Christian life.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Page 16, front of hymnal

Call to Offering

With open hearts and open hands, we let go of the things that possess us, we offer our gifts to God, and we dedicate our lives in service to Jesus Christ. Freely we have received, now freely let us give.

Offertory

(see insert)

Will You Come and Follow Me

(The Summons)

Sanctuary Choir

Tom Trenney

***Doxology Hymn 592**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundredth

***Prayer of Dedication**

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD

***Hymn 276**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Faithfulness

***Charge and Benediction**

The God who called us here today is calling us out from this place and into the world. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, let us follow where Jesus leads, sharing God's love and grace with a world that is groaning for redemption.

As we go, may the grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, the love of our parent God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us, today and always. Amen.

Chimes

Postlude

Voluntary

John Stanley

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.

CARMEL IS HAPPY TO PROVIDE FOR THE YOUNG MEMBERS of our congregation by offering **Children's Worship (Grades K-3)** during the Sunday 10:00 AM worship service. **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 Worship Room** in the nursery. An usher can be of assistance.

CALLING ALL YOUTH GRADES 3-8. The Carmel Youth Ministry (CYM) meets each Wednesday night in Carmel Hall from 6:30 - 7:30 PM. It is a jam-packed hour of food, fellowship and fun! We look forward to seeing you there!

MEETINGS OF THE CONGREGATIONAL AND CORPORATION AND POTLUCK BRUNCH will be held next Sunday, January 28, 2024 right after worship in Carmel Hall. Please bring something to share. For more information on the brunch, please contact Eric Krieg.

FROM THOSE OF US WHO HAVE SERVED AS SHEPHERDS: We are still fulfilling our previous duties during this transition time. This includes finding good homes for the communion table bouquets and setting up for, cleaning up and running the potluck brunch before the congregational meeting. A new schedule for the first 3 months will soon be emailed out. Thanks to all the good people of Carmel for helping in so many ways. -- *Eric Krieg*

THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are for the Glory of God and all of God's creation.

CARMEL'S LIBRARY will be open on Mondays and Thursdays from 11:45 AM-12:30 PM during the Nursery School year. The library is also open before and after worship on Sunday mornings.

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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 donations—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/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJlIDvsRw>

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! To sign up please email Deb Gates at gatesdl@comcast.net and indicate what you'd like to help with and on which date. Thank you for your service

Offertory

Will You Come and Follow Me
(The Summons)
Sanctuary Choir

Tom Trenney

"Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown; will you let my name be known;
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?"

"Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer in you and you in me?"

"Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean, and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?"

"Will you love the 'you' you hide if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound in you and you in me?"

Lord, your summons echoes true when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you and never be the same.
In your company I'll go where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow in you and you in me.

Text: John L. Bell and Graham Maule, 1987

God Is Here!

ABBOT'S LEIGH 8.7.8.7 D

Fred Pratt Green, 1979; rev. 1988

Cyril Vincent Taylor, 1941

1. God is here! As we Your peo - ple Meet to of - fer
 2. Here are sym - bols to re - mind us Of our life - long
 3. Here our chil - dren find a wel - come In the Shep - herd's
 4. Lord of all, of church and king - dom, In an age of

praise and prayer, May we find in ful - ler mea - sure What it
 need of grace; Here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit; Here the
 flock and fold, Here, as bread and wine are tak - en, Christ sus -
 change and doubt Keep us faith - ful to the gos - pel, Help us

is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world a - round us,
 cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es - ty of preach - ing,
 tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants of the Ser - vant
 work Your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's ded - i - ca - tion,

All our var - ied skills and arts Wait the com - ing
 Here in si - lence, as in speech, Here, in new - ness
 Seek in wor - ship to ex - plore What it means in
 All we have to give, re - ceive: We, who can - not

of the Spir - it In - to o - pen minds and hearts.
 and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
 dai - ly liv - ing To be - lieve and to a - dore.
 live with - out You, We a - dore You! We be - lieve!

Glory to the Father

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Gloria Patri

John Weaver, 1978

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

f

Ped.

Detailed description: This system contains the first two lines of music. The top line is a vocal line in treble clef, 3/2 time, with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It begins with a whole rest, followed by a quarter rest, then a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment consists of two staves. The right hand starts with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4 and B4, then a half note C5. The left hand starts with a quarter note G3, followed by quarter notes A3 and B3, then a half note C4. The piano part includes a forte dynamic marking 'f' and a pedaling instruction 'Ped.'.

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Son, and to the Ho-ly Spir-it: as it was in the be - gin-ning, is

Detailed description: This system contains the second and third lines of music. The vocal line continues with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note G4, a quarter rest, a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment continues with similar patterns, including chords and moving lines in both hands.

now, and will be for ev - er. A-men. A - men. A - men.

Detailed description: This system contains the final two lines of music. The vocal line concludes with a quarter note G4, a quarter note A4, a quarter note B4, a quarter note C5, a quarter note B4, a quarter note A4, and a quarter note G4. The piano accompaniment provides harmonic support throughout, ending with a final chord in the right hand.

Lead On, O King Eternal

LANCASHIRE 7.6.7.6 D

Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888

Henry Thomas Smart, c. 1835

1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, The day of march has come;
 2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: We fol - low, not with fears;

Hence - forth in fields of con - quest Thy tents shall be our home:
 And ho - li - ness shall whis - per The sweet a - men of peace;
 For glad - ness breaks like morn - ing Wher - e'er Thy face ap - pears;

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion Thy grace has made us strong,
 For not with swords' loud clash - ing, Nor roll of stir - ring drums;
 Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; We jour - ney in its light:

And now, O King e - ter - nal, We lift our bat - tle song.
 With deeds of love and mer - cy The heav - en - ly king - dom comes.
 The crown a - waits the con - quest; Lead on, O God of might.

SERVICE MUSIC

592 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

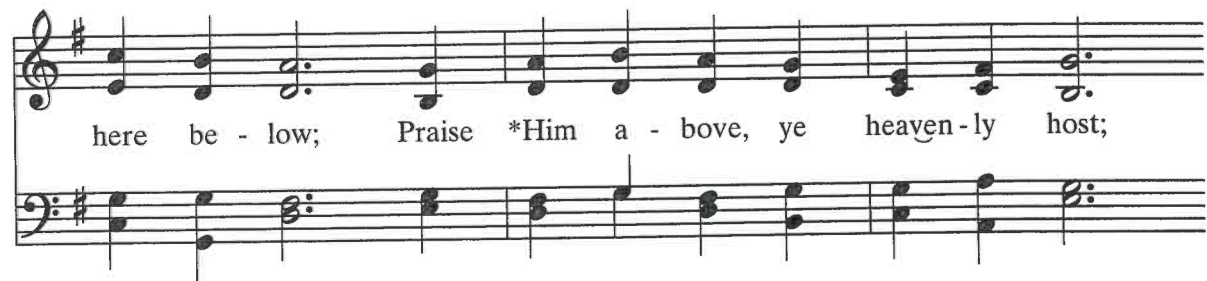
OLD HUNDREDTH LM

Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709

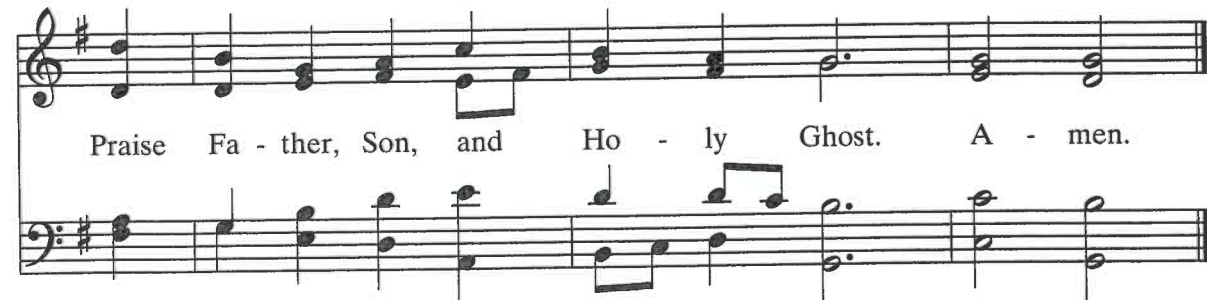
Genevan Psalter, 1551



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise *Him, all creatures



here below; Praise *Him above, ye heavenly host;



Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Or "God."

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Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS 11.10.11.10 with refrain

Thomas Obediah Chisholm, 1923

William Marion Runyan, 1923

1. *Great is Thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther,
 2. Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3. Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

There is no shad - ow of turn - ing with Thee;
 Sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 Thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide;

Thou chang - est not, Thy com - pas - sions they fail not;
 Join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 Strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row,

As Thou hast been Thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 To Thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 Bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Or "Great is Thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Refrain

Great is Thy faith - ful-ness! Great is Thy faith - ful-ness!

Morn-ing by morn-ing new mer-cies I see; All I have need-ed Thy

hand hath pro - vid - ed; Great is Thy faith - ful-ness, Lord, un - to me!

COMING EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

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
ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

Literacy Program, Children's room off the Chapel: 4:00-6:30 PM
Handbell Choir, Choir Room: 7:30-8:30 PM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

Started Meeting of Session, Chapel: 6:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

Literacy Program, Children's room off the Chapel: 4:00-6:30 PM
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 (grades 3-8), Carmel Hall: 6:30-7:30 PM
ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

Literacy Program, Children's room off Chapel: 4:00-6:30 PM
Sanctuary Choir, Choir Room & Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

ICGC, Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM
Worship in the Sanctuary (and live streaming): 10:00 AM
Annual Meeting of the Congregation, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Potluck Luncheon, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
ICGC, Sanctuary: 4:00 PM