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 April 7, 2024 Second Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM

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

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Prelude Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing

Matthew H. Corl

(b. 1965)

- * Call to Worship
 - L: How very good and pleasant it is when kindred live together in unity!
 - P: It is like the precious oil on the head, running down upon the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down over the collar of his robes. It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion. For there the LORD ordained his blessing, life forevermore.
 - L: Let us worship the Lord our God!
- * Hymn 246 Christ Is Alive! Truro
- * Call to Confession
- * Prayer of Confession (spoken in unison)

God of grace, we confess that the name "Emmanuel," the one we associate with you at Your incarnation, has not taken on the intended meaning. "God with us" is a call to see and respond in love to God with, and for, each of us. Instead of allowing ourselves to be drawn together, we have increased our abilities to justify separation and blame. We have forgotten how to offer and receive forgiveness. As you walk among us, waiting patiently for our eyes to become accustomed to the light of your love, remind us of your perfect forgiveness. Our songs will come. Our love will how. Our prayers and our lives will be offered in truth because you are our salvation. In Jesus's name, hear our silent prayers of confession.

- * Declaration of Forgiveness
- * Gloria Hymn 238 (stanza 1 & refrain) Thine Is the Glory

Judas Maccabeus

* Passing of the Peace

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination
Scripture Lessons

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WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Minute for Mission

* Hymn of Preparation 533

In the Singing

Bread of Peace

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Call to Offering

Offertory

The Sun Was Bright That Easter Dawn
Sanctuary Choir

Randall Sensmeier

The sun was bright that Easter dawn; Alleluia! Alleluia! but brighter still the risen Son! Alle, Alleluia!

The women hurried to his tomb; Alleluia! Alleluia! but only found an empty room! Alle, Alleluia!

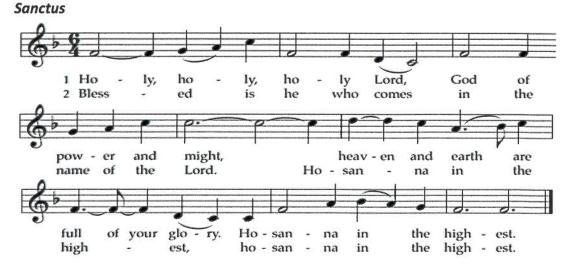
Let trumpets add their joyous sound Alleluia! Alleluia! and anthems soar the world around! Alle, Alleluia!

And you, good Christian folk, rejoice! Alleluia! Alleluia! Sing out to him with heart and voice: Alle, Alleluia!

For Christ has conquered death's long night Alleluia! Alleluia! and shines in resurrection light! Alle, Alleluia! Alle, Alleluia!

Text: Herman Stuempfle

Presentation of the Elements The Great Thanksgiving



Page 35, GtG hymnal Simon Lole (b. 1957)

Prayer: God of focus, dedication, and wholeness; your people endeavor to praise your redemptive ways. Thank you for drawing us close again- to you and to one another. Thank you for instilling in us again the truth that our divisions are without fruit, but our striving for reconciliation is both a response to and a gift from you. Let your resurrection's light shine on us forever. In Jesus's ame. Amen.

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD

* Hymn 370

This Is My Father's World

Terra Beata

This is my Father's world, The birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white, Declare their Maker's praise.
This is my Father's world: He shines on all that's fair;
In the rustling grass I hear him pass, He speaks to me everywhere.

* Charge and Benediction

Chimes

Postlude

Easter Hymn

Philip Moore (b. 1943)

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, 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!

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.

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

THE SESSION HAS CALLED A MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION, immediately following worship **TODAY**, for the purpose of hearing a report/deacon nominations from the Church Officer Nominating Committee.

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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/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJljIDvsRw

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

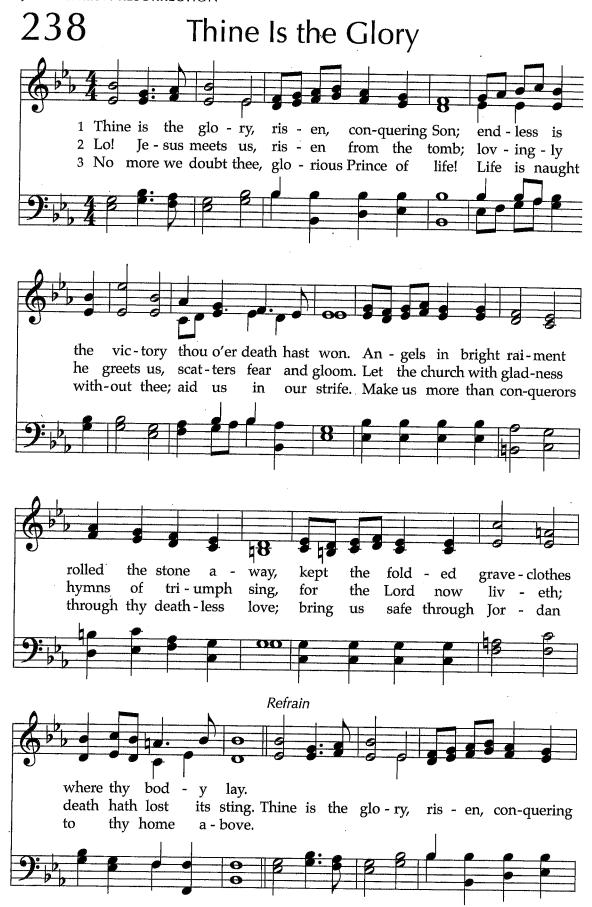
without you sharing your gifts as a volunteer! To sign up please email Deb Gates at gatesdl@comcast.net and indicate what you'd like to help with and on which date. Thank you for your service.

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
Sanctuary Choir
Nancy Pinkowicz, Worship Assistant
Lynne Schutt, Usher/Greeter
Lynne Schutt & Ken Schuylar, Communion Elders
Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, and Dave Rice, Live-Streaming Operators
Linda Parker, Margie Reith, Nancy Weiss & Nicole Bohlander, Coffee Hour

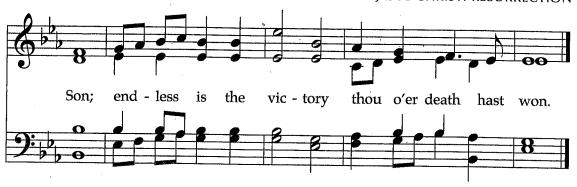


In 1968 Easter fell ten days after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., and this text was written to express an Easter hope while mindful of that terrible event. Buoyed by a triple-arched tune, it affirms the presence of a wounded, risen Christ with all who suffer.



This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio *Joshua* and moved to *Judas Maccabeus* in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.

JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION



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In its vivid and carefully observed details this profoundly simple text evokes the interplay of present awareness and timeless meaning that accompanies the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Its unifying tone of solemn joy is aptly conveyed by the chantlike musical setting.



When pastor of a Presbyterian church in Lockport, New York, the author of this text referred to his morning walks as "going out to see my Father's world." The tune created for these words is based on an English melody the composer learned from his mother when he was a boy.

COMING EVENTS

(This is not everything happening at Carmel . Contact the church office for more information).

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM

Worship with Communion in the Sanctuary (and live streaming): 10:00 AM

Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary: 11:00 AM

Coffee hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

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

Visitation for Ed MacFarland: 2:00 PM; Memorial Service: 3:00 PM

MONDAY, APRIL 8

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

TUESDAY, APRIL 9

Property Committee meeting, Zoom: 6:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 10

No Nursery School

Children's Choir (gr. K-2), Choir Room & Sanctuary: 5:00-5:40 PM Junior Choir (gr. 3-8), Choir Room & Sanctuary: 5:45-6:30 PM

CYM, Carmel Hall: 6:30-7:30 PM

THURSDAY, APRIL 11

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

FRIDAY, APRIL 12

Soup Group, Carmel Hall: 6:30 PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 14

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:15 AM Junior Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM

Worship in the Sanctuary (and live streaming): 10:00 AM

Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

Youth Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 11:15-11:45 AM