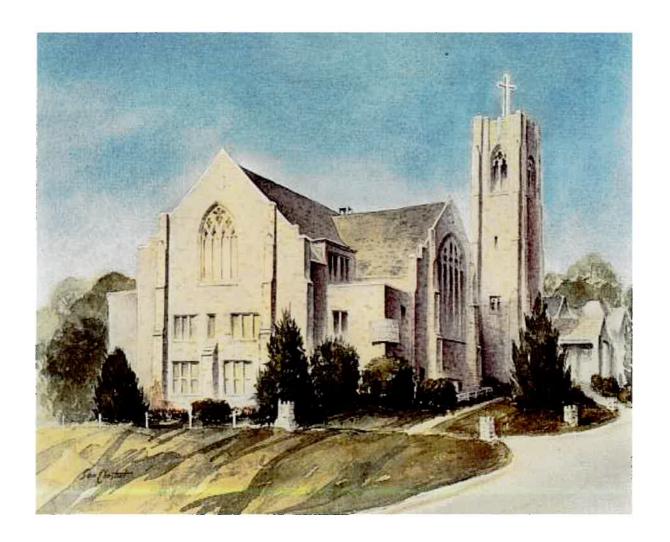
We praise you, we worship you, we adore you.
You hold the heavens in your hand,
all stars rejoice in your glory.
You come in the sunrise and the song of morn
and bless the splendor of the noonday.
The stars in their courses magnify you,
day and night tell of your glory.
Your peace blows over the earth
and the breath of your mouth fills all space. Amen.



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# Carmel Presbyterian Church April 14, 2024 Third Sunday of Easter 10:00 AM

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

## WE GATHER TOGETHER

# Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

**Prelude** Amazing Grace

Gordon Young (1919-1998)

# \* Call to Worship

L: The Lord hears us when we call.

A: Come, let us put our trust in God.

L: The Lord fills our hearts with gladness:

A: Come, let us sing God's praises with shouts of joy!

L: The Lord grants peace to our weary souls.

A: Come, let us rest by the quiet waters of God's grace.

L: Let us worship God!

\* Hymn 618

O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

Deo Gracias

# \* Call to Confession

To repent is to turn away from sin and turn toward Christ Jesus. Scripture promises that when we confess, God hears our cries and wipes away our sin. Trusting in God's promises of new life, let us confess our sins and the sin of this world.

# \* Prayer of Confession

Risen Christ, we are often troubled by our doubts. But you are not troubled by them. You do not require perfect understanding. Instead, you reveal yourself to us again and again that we might come to know you. Forgive us when our doubts keep us stuck, when fear prevents us from loving all creation as you call us to do. Help us to accept the peace you so graciously offer to us. Have mercy on us when we hoard or hide it, when we fail to offer it to others. Renew us and make us whole that in this world of strife we may be bearers of your peace. In resurrection hope we pray, Amen.

# \* Declaration of Forgiveness

"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are" (1 John 3:1). Children of God, we are claimed by God, forgiven of our sins, and set free for love. Alleluia! Amen.

Thanks be to God.

\* Gloria Hymn 238 (stanza 1 & refrain) Thine Is the Glory

\* Passing of the Peace

Judas Maccabeus

Anthem

Rejoice, O My Spirit
Aria from Cantata No. 15
Junior Choir

J.S. Bach (1685-1750)

Rejoice, O my spirit, be comforted now,
From Death, by thy Saviour, redeemed art thou.
The fury of Hell and of Satan is past,
No more his dark shadows can Death o'er us cast.
Against all defiance thus shall I stand fast.

Rejoice, O my spirit, and sing with full heart, To worship thy Saviour, redeemed thou art. Now glory is filling the whole world with light, The sun is full risen, there is no more night, For God is among us in power and in might.

## WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons Psalm 4:1-8 Luke 24:36b-48 Page 464 Page 84

Children's Message

**Sermon** Grace Upon Grace

Rev. Michelle Denney Grunseich

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**Hymn 462** I Love to Tell the Story

Hankey

\* Affirmation of Faith

(Romans 8:1, 28, 38, 39)

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus; for we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Page 35, GtG hymnal

Call to Offering

In response to God's abundant grace at work in our lives, let us present with gratitude our gifts of time, talent and treasure, for the building up of God's kingdom.

Offertory (text on insert)

Now the Green Blade Rises
Sanctuary Choir

arr. Alan Bullard (b. 1947) Traditional French \* Doxology 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Old Hundredth

\* Prayer of Dedication

## WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD

\* Hymn 307 God of Grace and God of Glory Cwm Rhondda

# \* Charge and Benediction

As you go out from this place, remember that

"Christ has no body but yours,

No hands, no feet on earth but yours,

Yours are the eyes with which he looks

Compassion on this world,

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,

Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world. Yours are the hands,

yours arethe feet,

Yours are the eyes, you are his body...

Christ has no body now on earth but yours."

Together we are the resurrected body of Christ in the world. And wherever we go, however we live into that call, the risen Christ will be with us, God's love will surround us, and the Spirit will breathe new life into our weary souls. Amen.

Chimes Postlude

God of Grace

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, 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 in loving memory of my sister Elizabeth, by Gail Warburten

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**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 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 <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! To sign up please email Deb Gates at <a href="mailto:gatesdi@comcast.net">gatesdi@comcast.net</a> and indicate what you'd like to help with and on which date. Thank you for your service.

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Participants Serving the Church in Worship

Rev. Michelle Denney Grunseich, Visiting Pastor
Rev. James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus
Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Organist and Director of Music
Junior Choir & Sanctuary Choir
Lynne Schutt, Pianist for Junior Choir
Janet Simon, Worship Assistant
Tom Bohlander, Jay Raulinaitis, and Dave Rice, Live-Streaming Operators
Carmel Youth Group, Coffee Hour

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Now the green blade rises from the buried grain, Wheat that in the dark earth many days has lain; Love lives again, that with the dead has been: Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

In the grave they laid him, Love whom we had slain,
Thinking that he never would awake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for the three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead our risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green.

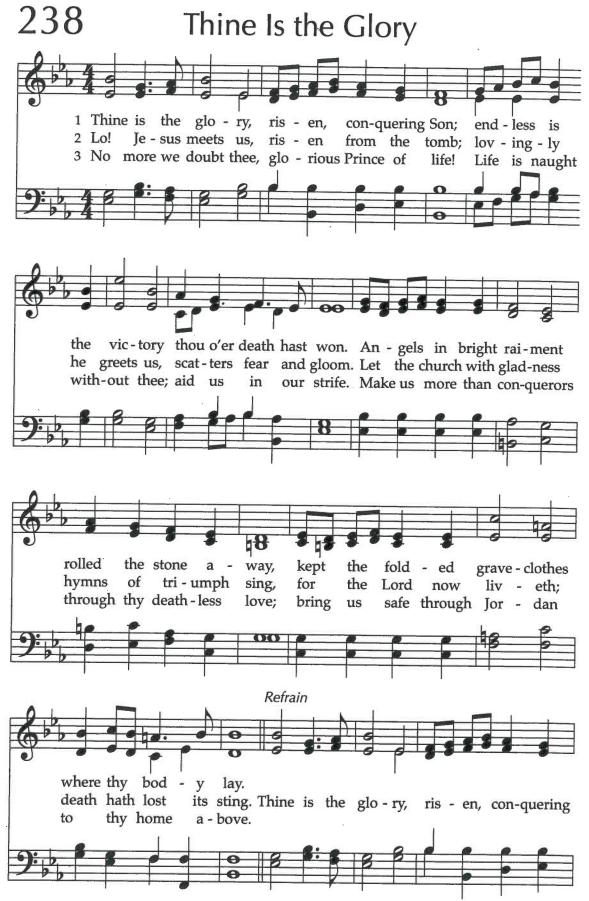
When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
Then your touch can call us back to life again;
Fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been:
Love is come again, like wheat that springs up green!
(Text: J. M. C. Crum, 1872-1958)

# 618

# O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High

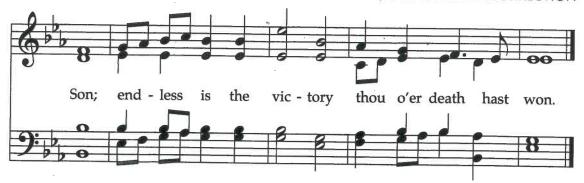


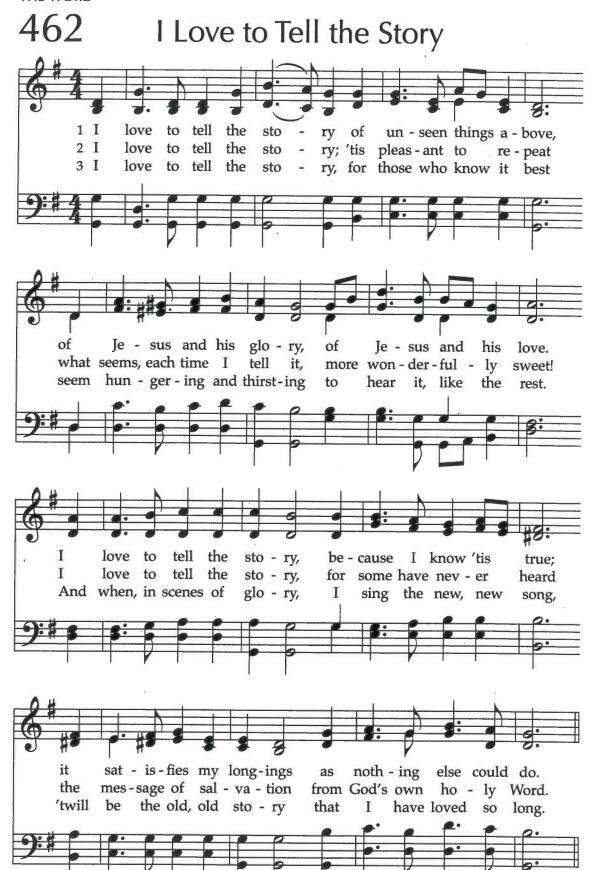
Reducing a twenty-three-stanza Latin text to these five English stanzas intensifies this survey of the mystery of the Incarnation and strengthens the repeated reminder that all was done "for us." A comparable tone of proclamation animates this 15th-century song celebrating a military victory.



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





This text is drawn from the second part of a fifty-stanza poem on the life of Christ written in 1866, during the author's recovery from a serious illness. The tune named for her first appeared three years later, and the composer was responsible for the creation of the refrain.

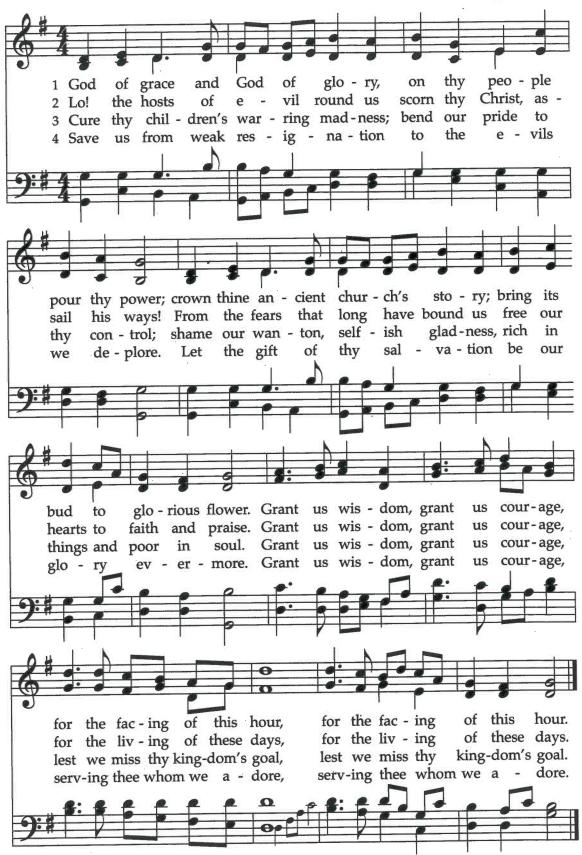


# 606

# Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise \*him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise \*him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; Fa - ther, Son, and Ghost. Ho - ly A - men. \*Or "God"

# 307 God of Grace and God of Glory



This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.

#### **COMING EVENTS**

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

## **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

# **MONDAY, APRIL 15**

Literacy Program: Children's room off Chapel: 4:00-6:30 PM

Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room: 7:30-8:30 PM

## **TUESDAY, APRIL 16**

Women's Circle/Bible Study, off-site: 7:30 PM

# WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17

Literacy Program, children's room off Chapel: 4:00-6:30 PM 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 Flute Choir, Lounge: 7:30-9:45 PM

# **THURSDAY, APRIL 18**

Literacy Program, Children's Room off Chapel: 4:00-6:30 PM

Stewardship/Finance meeting, Lounge: 6:30 PM

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room & Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

## SATURDAY, APRIL 20

Visitation for Jean Badger, Chapel: 10:00 AM

Memorial Service for Jean Badger, Sanctuary: 11:00 AM

# **SUNDAY, APRIL 21**

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:15 AM Children's 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

Caring for Friends Cook-In, Carmel Hall & Kitchen: 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM