

*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.*



Carmel Presbyterian Church

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Carmel Presbyterian Church
April 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter
10:00 AM

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

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

This Is My Father's World
Handbell Choir,
Lois Bliss Herbine, flute

arr. Anna Laura Page

* ***Call to Worship***

L: Here in this place of worship,
with the congregation of the faithful,

**P: we lay down our fears,
to boldly sing God's praise.**

L: Here in the vineyard of the Lord,
with our sisters and brothers in Christ,

**P: grandparents tell stories of faith
to little ones sitting on their laps.**

L: Here where God chooses to serve us the best God has to offer:

**P: we shall be so filled with love
that we will run to serve others.**

* ***Unison Prayer (A prayer by St. Augustine)***

O loving God,

To turn away from you is to fall,

To turn toward you is to rise,

And to stand before you is to abide forever.

Grant us, dear God,

In all our duties your help;

In all our uncertainties your guidance;

In all our dangers your protections;

And in all our sorrows your peace;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

* ***Hymn 481***

I Believe in God the Father

Genevan 42

* ***Call to Confession***

* **Prayer of Confession**

O God, you sent your Son into the world that we might live through him and abide in His Risen life. We confess that we too often reject the pattern of love that your Christ teaches; We settle, responding only to our fear and worry. Forgive the sins which spring from our weakness. Cover us again with the strong arms of your care and mercy. (Please pray silently)

* **Declaration of Forgiveness**

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

Judas Maccabeus

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Psalm 22:25-31

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Anthem

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here
Handbell Choir

J.S. Bach/arr. Ron Mallory

Acts 8:26-40

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Sermon

Why Is He Led Here?

Rev. John M. Diller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* **Hymn 631**

In the Presence of Your People

Celebration

Service of Installation and Ordination

Statement on Ordination and Installation

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Thanksgiving for Baptism and Anointing

Constitutional Questions

(Ordained Elders and Ministers may come to the front)

Prayer of Deacon Ordination and Installation

Declaration and Charge

Welcome/Passing of the Peace

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Call to Offering

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Offertory

Beloved, Let Us Love One Another
Sanctuary Choir

Van Denman Thompson
text: 1 John 4:7-12

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God;
and every one that loveth is begotten of God, and knoweth God.
Herein is love, not that we loved God but that He loved us and sent his Son,
and sent his Son to atone, to atone for our sins.

Beloved, if God so loved us we also ought to love one another.
If we love one another God abideth in us, and his love is made perfect in us.
God is love, God is love, and whoso abideth in love abideth in God
and God abideth in him.
Beloved, let us love one another.

* **Doxology 606** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Old Hundredth

* **Prayer of Dedication**

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD

* **Hymn 69** *I, the Lord of Sea and Sky* Here I am

* **Charge and Benediction**

Chimes

Postlude

Hymn to Joy

Albert L. Travis

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.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING in all birthday bag donations on Sunday.

THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are in loving memory of my beloved Dad, Don Strike, who was an amazing man, who left us too soon, by Kerry Strike-Stahler.

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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.

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

David Campbell, Co-Director of the Handbell Choir

Lois Bliss Herbine, flute

Handbell Choir & Sanctuary Choir


Lynne Schutt, Worship Assistant

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

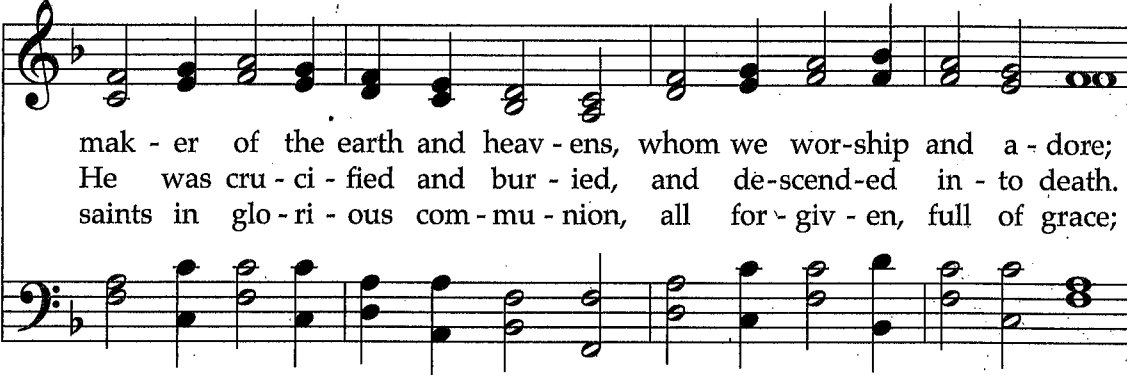
Ellen & Eric Krieg, Coffee Hour

I Believe in God the Father

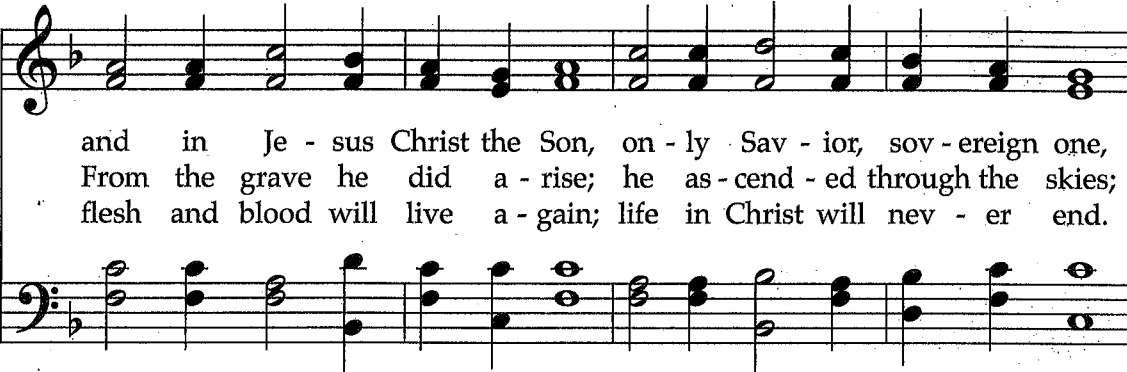
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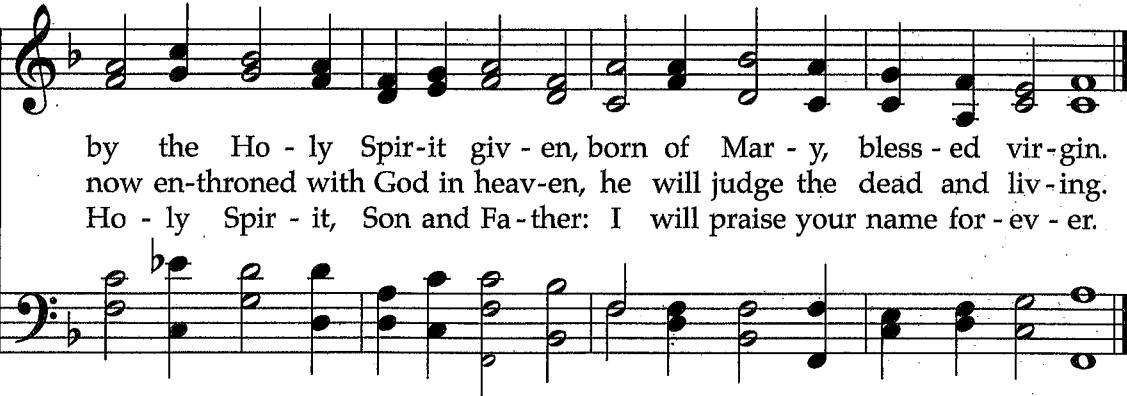
1 I be-lieve in God the Fa - ther, mer - ci - ful and might-y Lord,
2 Un - der Pi - late, Je - sus suf - fered, faith - ful to his fi - nal breath.
3 I be-lieve in God the Spir - it, and the church in ev - ery place;



mak - er of the earth and heav - ens, whom we wor - ship and a - dore;
He was cru - ci - fied and bur - ied, and de - scend - ed in - to death.
saints in glo - ri - ous com - mu - nion, all for - giv - en, full of grace;



and in Je - sus Christ the Son, on - ly Sav - ior, sov - ereign one,
From the grave he did a - rise; he as - cend - ed through the skies;
flesh and blood will live a - gain; life in Christ will nev - er end.



by the Ho - ly Spir - it giv - en, born of Mar - y, bless - ed vir - gin.
now en - throned with God in heav - en, he will judge the dead and liv - ing.
Ho - ly Spir - it, Son and Fa - ther: I will praise your name for - ev - er.

This text is a 21st-century metrical paraphrase of the Apostles' Creed (in the manner of Calvin's Strasbourg liturgy). Its connections with Reformed tradition are further strengthened by being set to the tune created for Psalm 42 in the 1551 Genevan Psalter (see also no. 87).

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Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-querer Son; end - less is
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai - ment
 he greets us, scat - ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad - ness
 with - out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than conquerors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-querer
 to thy home a - bove.

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

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves. The top staff is a vocal line in treble clef, and the bottom staff is a piano accompaniment line in bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 8/8. The lyrics are: "Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won." The music is written in a simple, hymn-like style with block chords and moving lines.

In the Presence of Your People 631

(Psalm 22)



1 In the pres-ence of your peo - ple I will praise your name,
 2 All who love you sing your prais - es and pro - claim your power,
 3 All who seek your rule will praise you and be sat - is - fied;



for a - lone you are ho - ly, en - throned on the prais - es of Is - ra - el.



Let us cel - e - brate your good - ness and your stead - fast love;
 You have not ig - nored our suf - fering but have heard our cry;
 All - the peo - ples of the na - tions will bow down to you;



may your name be ex - alt - ed here on earth and in heaven a - bove.

This text based on the affirmative later parts of Psalm 22 (especially verses 3, 22–28) has an unusual structure, with alternating lines of stanza and refrain. It also has an uncommon history, as the first stanza was written in New Zealand and the remaining stanzas in Canada.

SERVICE MUSIC

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

*Or "God"

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

Here I Am, Lord

G Am D G C G D
Leader or All

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.
2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.
3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

G Em C Am7 D G

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

Am D G C G D

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.
break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.
bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em C Am7 C/G D D7

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?
I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Refrain All G C G D G C G D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

Am7 G Am7 D G C G C

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

G C G D G Am7 D7 G Am7 G

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

COMING EVENTS

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 8:30 AM
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM
Worship in the Sanctuary (and live streaming): 10:00 AM
Nursery School, ice cream social & art show, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 11:15-11:45 AM

MONDAY, APRIL 29

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

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
Carmel Youth Ministry (CYM), Carmel Hall: 6:30-7:30 PM

THURSDAY, MAY 2

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

SUNDAY, MAY 5

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM
Worship with Communion 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