

*You hold the heavens in your hand,
We praise you, we worship you, we adore you.
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.***



A Stewardship/Discipleship Series for
Developing Carmel's Witness
to God's Generosity

- Oct. 13- God Let's Go
- Oct. 20- God's People Let Go
- Oct. 27- Grateful Disciples

Carmel Presbyterian Church
October 13, 2024
Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10:00 AM

* *Feel free to stand or sit.*
*Congregation voices **Bold** responses.*

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Morning Hymn

Flor Peeters
(1903-1986)

* *Call to Worship*

L: We look in the mirror and what do we see?

**P: We see people who try to be faithful,
even as questions and struggles challenge our faith.**

L: We look in the mirror and how do we see?

**P: We see with hearts which are open to God's love,
with lives which seek to trust when all the evidence
tells us not to be so foolish.**

L: We look in the mirror and who do we see?

**P: We see Jesus, the One who struggles with
the questions we raise, who models faithfulness
for all who would follow.**

* *Prayer of the Day*

* *Hymn 459*

O Word of God Incarnate

Munich

* *Call to Confession*

* *Prayer of Confession*

We stand before you, Saving God, stripped of our pretensions and pride, for nothing we do or say, can be hidden from you. You hear the angry words we preach to ourselves; you sift through the rubble of hurts we have caused; you see how we stumble, weighed down by all that 'stuff' which keeps us from following Jesus.

We stand before you, Holy Grace. As you empty our hands of that wealth of unneeded things to which we cling so tightly, fill them with your grace and hope. As we let go of all which might hold us back, give us the trust to follow Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, into that life with which he offers to each of us. Help us to be free enough to offer our silent confessions. (pray silently)

* **Declaration of Forgiveness**

L: Hear the good news! Because God loves us, we lack for nothing; because God forgives us, we have everything we need; because God surrounds us with sisters and brothers, we do not journey alone.

P: Committing everything to God, trusting in the One who redeems us, we decide to live as God's faithful and forgiven people. Amen.

* **Gloria Patri 581** *Glory Be to Father* Henry W. Greatorex

* **Passing of the Peace**

* **Response Hymn 447** *We Are Forgiven* Hal H. Hopson

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons *Hebrews 4:12-16* Page 206
Mark 10:17-31 Page 43

Sermon *Let Go; Be the Giver* Rev. John M. Diller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* **Hymn 693** *Though I May Speak* Gift of Love

* **Affirmation of Faith (Apostles' Creed)** Page 35, GtG Hymnal

Prayers of the People *You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy* Wayfaring Stranger
Hymn 437

The Lord's Prayer Page 35, GtG Hymnal

Call to Offering

Offertory *Lord, Support Us All Day Long* Walter L. Pelz
Sanctuary Choir

Lord, support us all day long, Guide and strengthen,
Evening comes, the world is hushed, Shadows lengthen,
Work is done, life's fevered pace Now has ended;
Christ, to You, our final rest Is commended.

Be our light in darkness, Lord, Our defender,
In Your presence perils all Must surrender,
Drive all dark satanic snares From each dwelling;
Then, at peace, our hearts Your praise Will be telling.

With Your presence, Lord, draw near Those who labor
Through the nighttime on behalf Of their neighbor;
Grant them courage for each fear, Faithful caring;
Your compassion and Your love Truly sharing.

Gracious Lord, we give You thanks, Praise and bless You,
As the giver of all good We confess You;
This past day we now commit To Your keeping
And entrust to You the hours Of our sleeping.
Text: Stephen P. Starke, b. 1955

- * ***Doxology 606*** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* Old Hundredth
- * ***Prayer of Dedication***

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

- * ***Hymn 725*** *O Jesus, I Have Promised* Nyland
- * ***Charge and Benediction***

Chimes
Postlude

Faith

Camil Van Hulse
(1897-1988)

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 OUR 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 IN GRADES 3-9. The Carmel Youth Ministry (CYM) will meet Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:30 PM in Carmel Hall. It's a jam-packed hour of food, fellowship, and mission. Bring a friend and join in the fun each Wednesday. We are looking forward to seeing you.

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE invites everyone to a Happy Fall to Y'all Coffee Hour, in Carmel Hall after worship on Sunday, October 20. Join us for chili, cornbread and treats.

CARMEL'S LIBRARY The library is open before and after worship on Sunday mornings.

THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are in loving memory of our parents, Patricia Rosensweig and Joseph Chiarolanza, with love from the Keshishian Family.

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 Kathy Hopkins at office@presbycarmel.org 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, Preacher

Rev. James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus

Joel Klingman, Guest Organist

Sanctuary Choir

Lynne Schutt, Pianist

Katey Schuyler, Coffee Hour

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

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Hurricane Relief: Hygiene and Clean-up Kits

From Church World Service (CWS), Sept. 30, 2024

Thanks to the generosity of donors like you, CWS has been able to respond quickly to the devastation left behind by Hurricane Helene. The storm has claimed 66 lives, displaced thousands, and caused extensive damage across the Southeast. Entire communities have been left without power, homes have been destroyed, and flooding continues to wreak havoc on families trying to rebuild.



Because of your support, CWS has already distributed over **2,360 Emergency Cleanup Buckets** and **2,000 Hygiene Kits** to help families begin the difficult process of recovery. But the need is still great. Our inventory of Cleanup Buckets is now critically low—down to

833 in our inventory—and we need the help of generous people like you to continue meeting the urgent needs of those affected by this disaster.



Some Facts and Considerations:

- Hygiene Kits: \$15 +\$2 processing
- Clean-up Kits: \$75 +\$3 processing

Work Crews of all skill sets will be needed for years to come. Pray about your future involvement in a 5-7 day trip to affected areas to help those in need. Maybe even Spring of 2025.

Together, we can bring hope and help to families in need. Your generosity powers this life-saving work, and our neighbors are counting on it. Thank you for standing with us and making a lasting impact on their lives.

459 O Word of God Incarnate

1 O Word of God in - car - nate, O Wis - dom from on high,
 2 The church from you, dear Sav - ior, re - ceived this gift di - vine;
 3 O make your church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold

O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky:
 and still that light is lift - ed on all the earth to shine.
 to bear be - fore the na - tions your true light, as of old;

we praise you for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,
 It is the chart and com - pass that, all life's voy - age through,
 O teach your wan - dering pil - grims by this our path to trace,

a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.
 a - mid the rocks and quick - sands still guides, O Christ, to you.
 till, clouds and storms thus end - ed, we see you face to face.

The opening four lines of this hymn celebrate attributes of Christ that are revealed through holy Scripture, which serves as a lantern, a chart, and a compass for the church in seeking to know Christ better. The setting of the tune comes from Felix Mendelssohn's *Elijah*.

Glory Be to the Father

581

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

Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -

gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,

world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

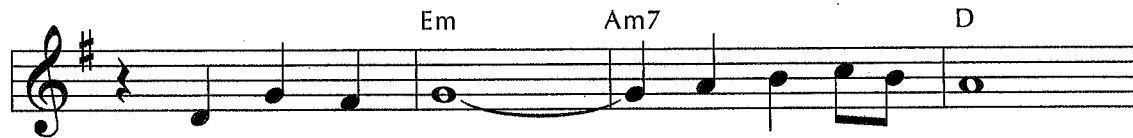
Though I May Speak

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The Gift of Love



1 Though I may speak with brav - est fire,
2 Though I may give all I pos - sess,
3 Come, Spir - it, come, our hearts con - trol;



and have the gift to all in - spire,
and striv - ing so my love pro - fess,
our spir - its long to be made whole.




and have not love, my words are vain,
but not be given by love with - in,
Let in - ward love guide ev - ery deed;



as sound - ing brass, and hope - less gain.
the prof - it soon turns strange - ly thin.
by this we wor - ship, and are freed.

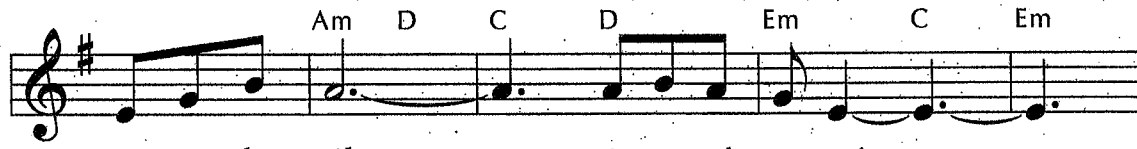
As paraphrases of 1 Corinthians 13:1, 3 the first two stanzas here are in the first person singular, yet they lead into a plural prayer for the gift of such love, for it thrives in community. These words are especially poignant with this adaptation of an English folk melody.

437 You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!



Em D Em Am Em D Em

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!



Am D C D Em C Em

You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy!



Em D G Am Em D E

You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

This adaptation of the traditional *Kyrie eleison* text transforms a series of petitions into a series of acclamations. With harsher music these might have seemed bold or rash, but this plaintive setting derived from an Appalachian melody preserves a sense of humility and trust.

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Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Doxology

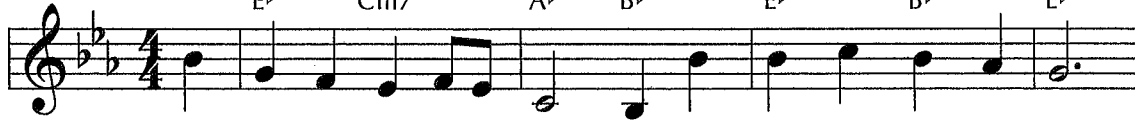
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise *him, all crea-tures

here be-low; praise *him a-bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise

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

O Jesus, I Have Promised 725

Capo 3: (C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C) (G) (C)
 E^b Cm7 A^b B^b E^b B^b E^b



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;
 2 O let me feel you near me! The world is ev - er near:
 3 O let me hear you speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
 4 O Je - sus, you have prom - ised to all who fol - low you

(C) (Am7) (Dm) (G) (C) (G7) (C)
 E^b Cm7 Fm B^b E^b B^b7 E^b



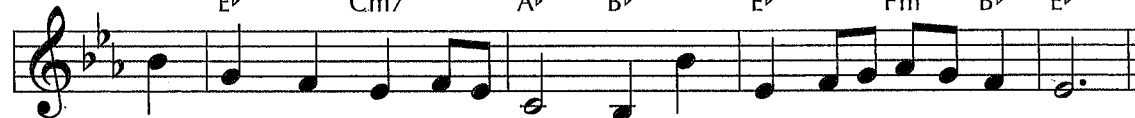
be now and al - ways near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
 I see the sights that daz - zle; the tempt - ing sounds I hear.
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
 that where you are in glo - ry your ser - vant shall be too.

(Am) (D) (G) (F) (G)
 Cm F B^b A^b B^b



I shall not fear the bat - tle if you are by my side,
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
 And, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve you to the end;

(C) (Am7) (F) (G) (C) (Dm) (G) (C)
 E^b Cm7 A^b B^b E^b Fm B^b E^b



nor wan - der from the path - way if you will be my guide.
 but, Je - sus, draw still near - er and shield my soul from sin.
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, true guard - ian of my soul.
 now give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This hymn written by an Anglican clergyman for the confirmation of his children in Victorian times appears here in updated language that may help to make its challenging commitments more immediate. The tune is named for the province in Finland from which it comes.

COMING EVENTS

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM
Worship in the Sanctuary (and live streaming): 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
CCF – Cook-in With a Twist, remaining donations due: Church office

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

CCF – Cook-in with a Twist, Cook's Bags ready for pick up: Church office
Women's Circle/Bible study, Lounge: 7:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

Staff meeting, Lounge: 10:30 AM
Children's Choir rehearsal (grades K-2), Choir Room & Sanctuary: 5:00-5:40 PM
Junior Choir rehearsal (grades 3-9), Choir Room & Sanctuary: 5:45-6:30 PM
Carmel Youth Ministry (CYM), (grades 3-9), Carmel Hall: 6:30-7:30 PM
Flute Choir, Lounge: 7:30-9:45 PM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

Bible Explorers, Lounge: 6:15-7:25 PM
Sanctuary Choir, Choir Room & Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:15 AM
Children's Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary 9:30 AM
Worship (and live streaming): 10:00 AM
Happy Fall to Y'all Coffee Hour, Congregational Life, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir rehearsal (gr. 9-12), Choir Room: 11:15 AM