

# The Art of **Giving...**



## **...from the Heart**

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 20, 2024**  
**Twenty Ninth 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*** Janet Linker  
*Though I May Speak* (b. 1938)  
(Variation III, from Variations on "O Waly Waly")

\* ***Call to Worship***

\* ***Hymn 710*** *We Lift Our Voices* Offering

L: Give thanks to God for the faith we share;

**P: Be steadfast in hope through Jesus Christ.**

L: Let us be embraced together by the One who calls us into life, into faith, and even into this place. Join me in prayer:

**All: Almighty and everlasting God, as surely as you breathed your breath of life onto the earth, you provide for every good thing. As such, we know we are called to be witnesses according to your goodness. Touch our lips and our hands; hold our hearts and our thoughts. Let every part of our being display the loveliness of your great gifts. Then, as faithful recipients, let us only return to you a right offering bringing glory to God alone. In the name of Jesus, the picture of God's fullness. Amen.**

\* ***Hymn 710*** *We Lift Our Voices* Offering

\* ***Call to Confession***

\* ***Prayer of Confession***

O Lord our God, you call us to work for a world where all will be fed and have dignity, but we find ourselves distracted by our own desires. You call us to seek justice and peace, but we are satisfied with injustice and discord. You call us to bring liberty to the oppressed, but we do not insist on freedom for all.

Forgive us, O Lord. Turn us to your will by the power of your Spirit, so that all may know your justice and peace. Hear now our silent prayer offered in the name of the One who is Peace. (pray silently)

\* ***Declaration of Forgiveness***

L: Our righteousness is found in Christ alone, a gift of God by faith.

**P: People beloved of God, believe the good news: through the grace of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

L: Thanks be to God! Amen.

**P: Thanks be to God! Amen.**

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| * <i>Gloria Patri 581</i>     | <i>Glory Be to Father</i>                          | Henry W. Greatorex           |
| * <i>Passing of the Peace</i> |  |                              |
| * <i>Response Hymn 447</i>    | <i>We Are Forgiven</i>                             | Hal H. Hopson                |
| <i>Children's Anthem</i>      | <i>Come, Holy Spirit, Come</i><br>Children's Choir | Michael Bedford<br>(b. 1949) |

Come, Holy Spirit, come; fresh as the wind, fresh as the wind.  
 Come, Holy Spirit, come; live in our hearts, we pray.  
 Help us live as Jesus lived; touch our lives anew.  
 Help us live as Jesus lived: good and kind and true.  
 Come, Holy Spirit, come; sweet as a dove, sweet as a dove.  
 Come, Holy Spirit, come; live in our hearts, we pray.  
 (Text: Michael Bedford)

### WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

#### *Prayer for Illumination*

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| <i>Scripture Lessons</i> | <i>1 Corinthians 4:1-7</i><br><i>Mark 10:35-45</i> | Page 157<br>Page 44 |
| <i>Sermon</i>            | <i>God's People Let Go</i>                         | Rev. John M. Diller |

### WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

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| * <i>Hymn 693</i>   | <i>Though I May Speak</i>                                   | Gift of Love                 |
| * <i>Affirmation of Faith: Brief Statement of Faith, #'s 1, 4-6</i> |   | Page 37, GtG Hymnal          |
| <i>Prayers of the People</i>  | <i>You Are the Lord, Giver of Mercy!</i><br>Hymn 437        | Wayfaring Stranger           |
| <i>The Lord's Prayer</i>  |   | Page 35, GtG Hymnal          |
| <i>Call to Offering</i>   |   |                              |
| <i>Offertory</i>  | <i>There's a Wideness in God's Mercy</i><br>Sanctuary Choir | Maurice Bevan<br>(1921-2006) |

There's a wideness in God's mercy Like the wideness of the sea;  
 There's a kindness in God's justice Which is more than liberty.  
 There is no place where earth's sorrows Are more felt than up in heaven;  
 There is no place where earth's failings Have such kindly judgement given.

For the love of God is broader Than the measures of the mind;  
 And the heart of the Eternal Is most wonderfully kind.  
 But we make God's love too narrow By false limits of our own;  
 And we magnify God's strictness With a zeal God will not own.

There is plentiful redemption In the blood that has been shed;  
There is joy for all the members In the sorrows of the Head.  
There is grace enough for thousands Of new worlds as great as this;  
There is room for fresh creations In that upper home of bliss.  
If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's word;  
And our lives would be all gladness In the joy of Christ our Lord.

Text: F. W. Faber (1814-1863)

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

\* **Prayer of Dedication**

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

\* **Hymn 694**      *Great God of Every Blessing*      Aurelia

\* **Charge and Benediction**

**Chimes**

**Postlude**

*Though I May Speak*  
(Variation VII, Finale, from Variations on "O Waly Waly")

Janet Linker

## ***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.

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

**THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY** are to the glory of God and all of His creation.

**WONDER "WHAT'S GOING ON?" CHECK OUT CARMEL'S WEBSITE!** Explore the wealth of information at [www.presbycarmel.org](http://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! Call the Church office or sign up online here:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904094ca8a62aa6f49-worship?useFullSite=true#/>

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***Participants Serving the Church in Worship***

*Rev. John M. Diller, Preacher*

*Rev. James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus*

*Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Director of Music and Organist*

*Children's Choir and Sanctuary Choir*

*Lynne Schutt, Pianist*

*Lynne Schutt, Worship Assistant*

*Congregational Life, 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.

# We Lift Our Voices

710

## We Are an Offering

F C F C  
 We lift our voic-es; we lift our hands; we lift our  
 F C 3 Dm7 F  
 lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our  
 C F C  
 voic - es; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our  
 F C 3 Dm7 F G7  
 lives; they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.  
 Em7 Asus A Dm7 F G Esus E Am  
 All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we  
 F C Bb Dm F  
 give to you, we give to you. We lift our  
 C F C F C  
 voic - es; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:  
 3 Dm7 3 C  
 we are an of-fer-ing; we are an of-fer-ing.

This praise and worship song can best be understood as reflecting on and expanding 1 Chronicles 29:14b: "For all things come of you, [O Lord,] and of your own have we given you." There are also echoes of Paul's appeal for Christians to be living sacrifices (Romans 12:1).

# Glory Be to the Father

581

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

The first system of music consists of a treble and bass staff in 4/4 time, key of B-flat major. The melody is simple and homophonic, with lyrics: "Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the".

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

The second system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be -".

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

The third system continues the melody and accompaniment. The lyrics are: "gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be,".

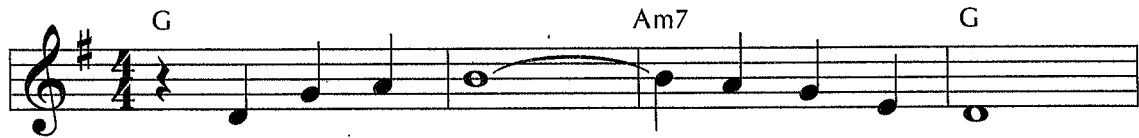
world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The fourth system concludes the piece. The lyrics are: "world with - out end. A - men, a - men." The music ends with a double bar line and a fermata over the final notes.

# Though I May Speak

693

## 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

The first line of music is written on a treble clef staff in G major and 6/8 time. It consists of eight measures. The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), G4 (half), F#4 (half), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), and C4 (half). Chords are indicated above the staff: Em (G4), D (A4), Em (B4), Am (G4), Em (F#4), D (E4), and Em (D4).

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

Am D C D Em C Em

The second line of music is written on a treble clef staff in G major and 6/8 time. It consists of eight measures. The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), G4 (half), F#4 (half), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), and C4 (half). Chords are indicated above the staff: Am (G4), D (A4), C (B4), D (G4), Em (F#4), C (E4), and Em (D4).

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

Em D G Am Em D E

The third line of music is written on a treble clef staff in G major and 6/8 time. It consists of eight measures. The notes are: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), G4 (half), F#4 (half), E4 (quarter), D4 (quarter), and C4 (half). Chords are indicated above the staff: Em (G4), D (A4), G (B4), Am (G4), Em (F#4), D (E4), and E (D4).

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.

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; praise

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

## 694 Great God of Every Blessing

1 Great God of ev - ery bless - ing, of faith - ful, lov - ing care,  
2 Your Word is our sal - va - tion, the source of end - less grace,  
3 Your Spir - it is our teach - er, the light that guides our search,

you are the fount of good - ness, the dai - ly bread we share.  
in death and life ex - tend - ing your cov - e - nant em - brace.  
trans - form - ing bro - ken peo - ple in - to the ho - ly church.

How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:  
In Christ we are one bod - y; each mem - ber has a part:  
For feed - ing us with mer - cy, for wis - dom you im - part:

sin - cere - ly and com - plete - ly I of - fer you my heart.

Written for the 500th anniversary of John Calvin's birth, this text sums up his liturgical theology, ending each stanza with his motto: *Cor meum tibi offero, Domine, prompte et sincere*. By moving from plural to singular the stanzas show how corporate faith becomes personal piety.

## **COMING EVENTS**

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

### **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  
Deacons meet after worship, location: TBD  
Youth Choir rehearsal (gr. 9-12), Choir Room: 11:15-11:45 AM

### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 21**

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

### **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22**

Session meets, Chapel: 6:30 PM

### **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23**

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  
CYM Breakfast Bag assembly

### **THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24**

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

### **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27 – Reformation Sunday**

Handbell Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 8:30 AM  
Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:15 AM  
Junior Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM  
Worship in the Sanctuary (and live streaming): 10:00 AM  
Youth Choir rehearsal, Choir Room: 11:15-11:45 AM  
CCF – Cook-in With a Twist, Carmel Hall: 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM