

*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.*



Carmel Presbyterian Church

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Carmel Presbyterian Church
Reign of Christ Sunday
November 24, 2024
10:00 AM

**Feel free to stand or sit*

BOLD type is for congregation to respond.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

He is King
African-American Spiritual

Robert J. Powell
(b. 1932)

*** Call to Worship** (Revelation 1:4b-8)

L: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

P: Amen.

L: Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. So it is to be.

P: Amen.

L: I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

P: Let the people say "Amen," for the Lord is the first and the last, the truth and the life. Let me speak the truth when I say, "I will worship the Lord and none other." Amen.

*** Hymn 348**

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

Helmsley

*** Prayer of Confession**

The choices we make, Mighty God, reveal who we are. Choosing the lies of the world, your Word has not been on our lips. Choosing independent and isolated lives, we do not reflect your Spirit in our actions towards others. Choosing to exalt the powerful of our day, we are unable to follow the One whose weakness gives us life.

Forgive us, God who became weak for our sake. Do not turn your face from us, but help us to face ourselves honestly. Free us from our captivity, so we may faithfully follow Jesus Christ, our King, our Lord, our Savior. Hear now our silent prayers of confession. (Pray Silently)

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

* **Prayer of Dedication**

WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD

* **Hymn 649** *Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound* Amazing Grace

* **Charge and Benediction**

Chimes

Postlude

Coronation
(All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!)

Tim Fields

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 PRE-K-3)** during the Sunday 10:00 AM worship service. **Children's Worship** does not require reservation 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.

THE SESSION HAS CALLED a meeting of the congregation for Dec. 1, 2024, immediately following worship. The business items for the meeting are:

- Report from the Church Officer Nominating Committee
- Review of the pastor's Terms of Call

In addition to the business items, the congregation will see the session-approved budget for 2025.

THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are in loving memory of my parents, Horace and Mildred Neff, by Barbara Thompson.

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

YOU ARE INVITED TO COME TO SING FOR CHRISTMAS! The Festival Choir for the Christmas season will begin rehearsing on Thursday, November 14, at 7:30 PM. This choir will be preparing for the annual Candlelight Carol Service on Sunday evening, December 8 and the 7:30 PM Christmas Eve Service. The choir is made up of youth and adults from the Carmel choirs and members and friends of the congregation who enjoy singing but who cannot commit to weekly rehearsals year-round. Come and sing for this special festive Christmas season. Rehearsals will be on Thursday, November 14, November 21 and December 5, 12, and 19 at 7:30 PM in the Choir Room. We hope you can join us! Please tell Abby you are coming so a folder of music will be ready for you!

ALL ARE WELCOME on Saturday, December 7, at 10:00 AM to help decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas. A few people are also needed to arrange the Christmas poinsettias in the Sanctuary at 3:00 PM. What a wonderful way to fill your hearts with Christmas joy! Sign up online here: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/904094ca8a62aa6f49-worship>

OUR ANNUAL CANDLELIGHT CAROL SERVICE will be on Sunday evening, December 8, at 7:30 PM with a special prelude starting at 7:15 PM.

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/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJIjIDvsRw>

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! Speak with a pastor or sign up online here: <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/904094ca8a62aa6f49-worship>

Participants Serving the Church in Worship

Rev. John M. Diller, Pastor

James D. Eby, Pastor Emeritus

Abigail Vander Hart Palmisano, Director of Music and Organist
Sanctuary Choir

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

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348 Lo, He Comes with Clouds

Descending

1 Lo, he comes with clouds de - scend - ing,
 2 Now re - demp - tion, long ex - spect - ed,
 3 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore thee,

once for our sal - va - tion slain; thou - sand,
 comes in sol - emn splen - dor near; all the
 high on thine e - ter - nal throne; Sav - ior,

thou - sand saints at - tend - ing join to
 saints this world re - ject - ed thrill the
 take the power and glo - ry; claim the

Despite unclear musical origins, the result here is a characteristic early Methodist hymn tune, notable for its breadth and range. It effectively sets a text of similarly mixed sources, one that Charles Wesley regarded as related to "Thy kingdom come" in the Lord's Prayer.

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

sing the glad re - frain: Al - le -
 trum - pet. sound to hear: Al - le -
 king - dom as thine own. Come, Lord

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Je - sus; come, Lord Je - sus; come, Lord

lu - ial Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.
 lu - ial See the day of God ap - pear!
 Je - sus. Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone!

Glory Be to the Father

581

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

The first system of music is in 4/4 time, featuring a treble and bass staff. The melody is in a minor key (three flats). The lyrics are: "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 with a double bar line. The lyrics are: "world with - out end. A - men, a - men.".

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel-ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant-ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

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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.

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

CHOCTAW

*Shilombish holitopa ma!
 Ishmminti pulla cha
 hatak ilbusha pia ha
 is pi yukpalashke.*

CREEK

*Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet
 ah non ah cha pa kas
 cha fee kee o funnan la kus
 um e ha ta la yus.*

NAVAHO

*Nizhónígo joobá diits' a'
 yisdáshítinígíí,
 lah yóóiiyá, k'ad
 shénáhoosdzin,
 doo eesh'íí da ní't'éé.*

As was his custom, the author wrote this hymn to accompany his sermon on 1 Chronicles 17:16-17, preached on January 1, 1773; he called it "Faith's Review and Expectation." Much of its current popularity comes from this now-familiar tune, an association that began in 1835.

Christmas Music Memorial



A special music memorial at Christmas time is intended to provide instrumental and vocal music to enhance our Christmas services. If you wish to contribute to this special music memorial please fill in the form below and mail it with your check to the church office.

If you have any questions, please call Abby Palmisano at 215-887-1074, press 3. Please fill in all the information.

The deadline for these memorials is **Sunday, December 1.**



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Please fill in all the information.

Please mail to the church at 100 Edge Hill Road, Glenside, PA 19038 or place in the MUSIC MEMORIAL MAIL BOX in the church office..

Thank you

IN LOVING MEMORY OF _____

or IN HONOR OF _____

FROM: NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

AMOUNT ENCLOSED _____ ENVELOPE NUMBER _____

In the memo section of your check please write for Christmas Music.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

**Please mail to the church at 100 Edge Hill Road, Glenside, PA 19038 or place in the
FLOWER MEMORIAL MAILBOX in the church office .**

Thank you!

IN MEMORY OF _____

OR

IN HONOR OF _____

GIVEN BY: NAME _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

AMT ENCLOSED _____ ENVELOPE NUMBER _____

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If you wish to contribute to the Christmas poinsettias which uphold our Advent season sanctuary traditions, please fill in the form above and return it to the church office with a check.

A contribution of \$15.00 for up to 2 dedications will adequately meet our needs. Dedications can be “in memory of” or “in honor of”. The flowers are delivered to our shut-in members, those in nursing homes and those who have recently suffered the loss of a family member.
Thank you!

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Candlelight Carol Service

Music by all of Carmel's choirs,
soloists and handbell ringers.
Congregational singing of
beloved carols and scripture
readings.

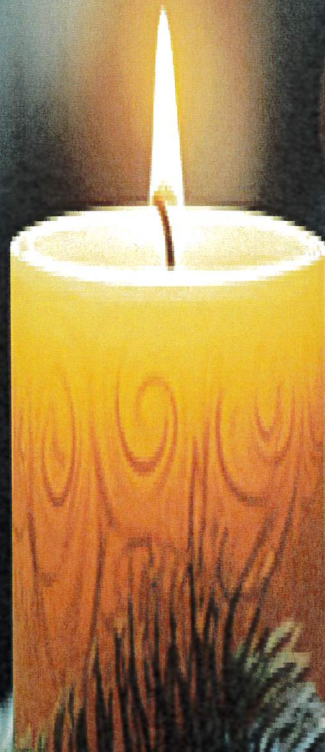
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7:30 PM**

Special Prelude 7:15 PM

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COMING EVENTS

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24 – Christ the King Sunday

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM
Worship, (and live streaming), Sanctuary: 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir rehearsal, Choir Room: 11:15-11:45 AM

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

Nursery School Thanksgiving Feast, Carmel Hall:
No choir rehearsals tonight
No CYM tonight

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28 - Happy Thanksgiving

Church office closed
Nursery School closed
No choir rehearsal tonight

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

Church office closed
Nursery School closed

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 – First Sunday of Advent

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:20 AM
Worship with communion in Sanctuary: 10:00 AM
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 11:15-11:45 AM
Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary: immediately following the service