

*Restoration:  
Walking with  
the Advent Prophets  
of Promise*

The Season of Advent 2024  
Carmel Presbyterian Church

**Carmel Presbyterian Church**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**  
**December 15, 2024**  
**10:00 AM**

\*Feel free to stand or sit.

**BOLD** type is for congregation to respond.

**WE GATHER TOGETHER**

**Welcome and Announcements**

<b>Prelude</b>	Wake, O Wake, With Tidings Thrilling (Wachet auf)	John Marsh (b. 1939)
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<b>Lighting of the Advent Candle</b> (based on Zephaniah 3:14-20)	Mary Ellen Thomas, Jim Wood, and Dave Rice Members of Carmel’s new Commission on Mission
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**Voice 1:** The day of rejoicing is upon us for the Lord has taken away all the judgement against you. You need no longer to have any fear of disaster.

**Voice 2:** This is the day it shall be said to all God’s people, “The Lord is rejoicing in you; rejoice also in him. He renews his love for you; let your love be renewed.”

**Voice 1:** In time, you will know the mercies of the Lord as your everlasting home.

**Voice 2:** By the tender mercy of our God, our lives are restored.

**Worshippers:** **Surely God is my salvation; I will trust, and will not be afraid, for the Lord God is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation.**

<b>Advent Hymn 92</b>	<i>While We Are Waiting, Come</i> (stanza 1)	Waiting (Cason)
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While we are waiting, come;  
While we are waiting, come.  
Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel,  
While we are waiting, come.

We light this candle as a sign of the coming light of Christ. Advent means “coming.” The prophets of the Lord remind us that God’s desire for the restoration of all creation is not an idea that stalls or fades, like a dream.

The Lord proclaims, “The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; Like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing.”

Please pray with me: **O Wisdom, coming forth from the mouth of the Most High, pervading and permeating all creation, you order all things with strength and gentleness: Come now and teach us the way to salvation. Come, Lord Jesus.**  
Let us walk in the light of the Lord.

\* **Hymn 104**    *O Lord, How Shall I Meet You*    Valet will ich dir geben

\* **Call to Confession**

\* *Prayer of Confession*

God of the future, you are coming in power to bring all nations under your rule. We confess that we have not expected your kingdom, for we live casual lives, ignoring your promised judgment. We accept lies as truth, exploit neighbors, abuse the earth, and refuse your justice and peace. In your mercy, forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your way, and to seek things that will endure when Christ comes to judge the world. Tend to our hearts as we offer our silent confessions.  
(Pray Silently)

\* *Declaration of Forgiveness*

L: As plain as the heart in our chests, the good news is this: God is our hope. God is our life. God is our future.

P: We will sing aloud, our voices at full throttle. We are forgiven, we are saved! Thanks be to God. Amen.

\* *Passing of the Peace*

\* *Response Hymn 447*

*We are Forgiven*

Hal H. Hopson

**WE HEAR GOD'S WORD**

*Prayer for Illumination*

*Scripture Lessons*

*Luke 3:7-18*

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*Zephaniah 3:14-20*

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*Sermon*

*Restoration of Dignity*

Rev. John Diller

**WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD**

\* *Hymn 383*

*Dream On, Dream On*

Dream On

*Celebration of the Lord's Supper*

*Call to Offering*

*Offertory*

(see insert)

*People, Look East*

Sanctuary Choir

Malcolm Archer

(b. 1952)

*Presentation of the Elements*

*The Great Thanksgiving*

*Sanctus Hymn 572*

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

Thomas Pavlechko

*The Lord's Prayer*

Page 35, GtG Hymnal

*The Serving*

*This Is the Truth Sent From Above*

Noel Rawsthorne

(1929-2019)

**Prayer:** Almighty God, you sent your Son into a world where wheat must be winnowed from chaff, where wickedness clings to what is good. As we receive the sacrament we trust in the nourishment and strength it brings. Give us grace

that in everything we may yield ourselves, our wills and our works, a continual thank-offering to you. Through Jesus Christ our coming Lord. Amen.

**WE ARE SENT TO SERVE GOD**

\* *Hymn 756* *O God of Every Nation* Llangloffan

\* *Charge and Benediction*

*Chimes*

*Postlude*

*People, Look East!*

Kristina Langlois  
(b. 1959)

**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 MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY** are loving memory of Thomas Peterman, by his wife, children and grandchildren.

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

**CONGRGATIONAL LIFE** will be sponsoring a Christmas Potluck Brunch today, following worship. December 15 following worship. We hope you can join us for some delectable dishes and to gather together as a Carmel family at this joyous time of year.

**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! Speak with our pastor or sign up online here:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#/showSignUp/904094ca8a62aa6f49-worship>

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***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*

*Committee for Mission, Lighting of the Advent Candle*

*Lynne Schutt, Worship Assistant*

*Janet Simon, Communion Elder*

*Christmas Potluck Brunch, Congregational Life*

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

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**Offertory**

*People, Look East*  
Sanctuary Choir

Malcolm Archer  
(b. 1952)

People, look East. The time is near Of the crowning of the year.  
Make your house fair as you are able, Trim the hearth, and set the table.  
People, look East, and sing today: Love the Guest is on the way.

Furrows, be glad. Though earth is bare, One more seed is planted there:  
Give up your strength the seed to nourish, That in course the flower may flourish.  
People, look East, and sing today: Love the Rose is on the way.

Stars, keep the watch. When night is dim One more light the bowl shall brim,  
Shining beyond the frosty weather, Bright as sun and moon together.  
People, look East, and sing today: Love the Star is on the way.

Angels, announce to man and beast Him who cometh from the East.  
Set every peak and valley humming With the word, the Lord is coming.  
People, look East, and sing today: Love the Lord is on the way.

Text: Eleanor Farjeon (1881-1965)

## O Lord, How Shall I Meet You 104

1 O Lord, how shall I meet you, how wel-come you a - right?  
 2 Love caused your in - car - na - tion; love brought you down to me;  
 3 You come, O Lord, with glad - ness, in mer - cy and good-will,

Your peo - ple long to greet you, my hope, my heart's de - light!  
 your thirst for my sal - va - tion pro-cured my lib - er - ty.  
 to bring an end to sad - ness and bid our fears be still.

O kin - dle, Lord most ho - ly, a lamp with - in my breast,  
 O love be - yond all tell - ing, that led you to em - brace  
 In pa - tient ex - pec - ta - tion we live for that great day

to do in spir - it low - ly all that may please you best.  
 in love, all loves ex - cel - ling, our lost and fal - len race.  
 when your re - newed cre - a - tion your glo - ry shall dis - play.

Though many Advent hymns address Christ with entreaty and invitation, this more contemplative text considers how an individual prepares for and responds to Christ's coming. It also brings together a recollection of the First Coming with an anticipation of the Second Coming.



# 383 Dream On, Dream On

## 꿈을 꾸세 평화의 자녀

Capo 3: (Am) Cm (Dm) Fm (Em7) Gm7 (Am) Cm (E7) G7

1 Dream on, dream on, chil - dren of peace,  
 2 Hope on, hope on, Eas - ter peo - ple:  
 3 Mount up, mount up, like an ea - gle,

(Am) Cm (Dm) Fm (E7) G7 (Am) Cm

till on earth God's king - dom come.  
 beyond the cross, a dawn - ing sun.  
 to the heights, be - yond the clouds.

(C) Eb (G) Bb (Am) Cm (Em) Gm (F) Ab (G) Bb (Am) Cm (E) G (Am) Cm

Wolf and lamb will feed to - geth - er; lions like  
 Christ, our peace, broke down all bar - riers: na - tion,  
 Strife and sor - row shall not stop you; pain and

(Dm) Fm (E) G (G) Bb (C) Eb

ox - en will eat straw. Dust shall be the  
 cul - ture, tribe, and clan. Rec - on - cil - ing  
 tears shall lose their power. E - ven though the

This future-oriented Korean text draws on the promises of a number of biblical passages. The first stanza is based primarily on Isaiah 11:6-9. The second stanza includes references to Ephesians 2:14-16 and Colossians 1:20, while the third stanza uses the images of Isaiah 40:29-31.

(G) (C) (E7) (Am) (Dm) (E7)  
 B<sup>b</sup> E<sup>b</sup> G7 Cm Fm G7

ser - pent's food; no one shall de - stroy or hurt.  
 us to God, Christ made us one hu - man race,  
 young may stum - ble, God the Lord re - news their strength.

(Am) (Dm) (Em7) (Am) (E7)  
 Cm Fm Gm7 Cm G7

Chil - dren of earth in all col - ors,  
 joined in peace and lib - er - a - tion,  
 They shall run and not grow wea - ry;

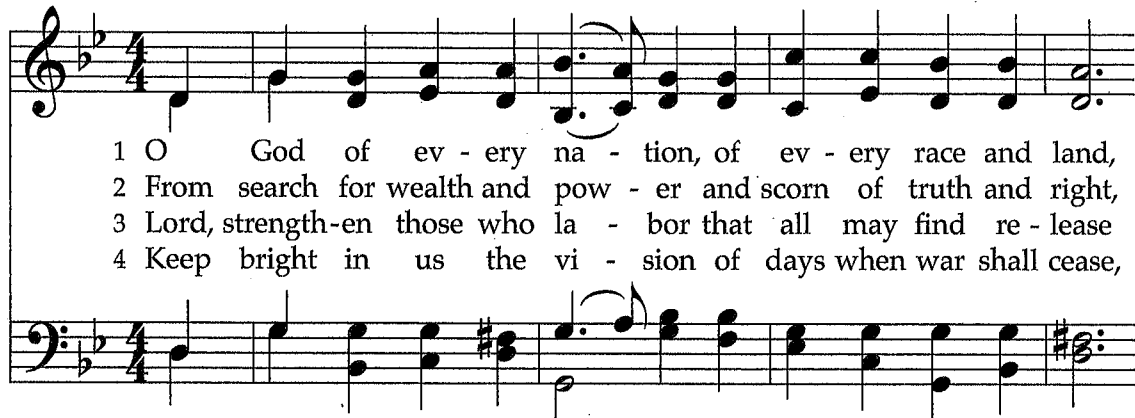
(Am) (Dm) (E7) (Am)  
 Cm Fm G7 Cm

live in peace and har - mo - ny.  
 led by jus - tice, hope, and love.  
 they shall walk and shall not faint.

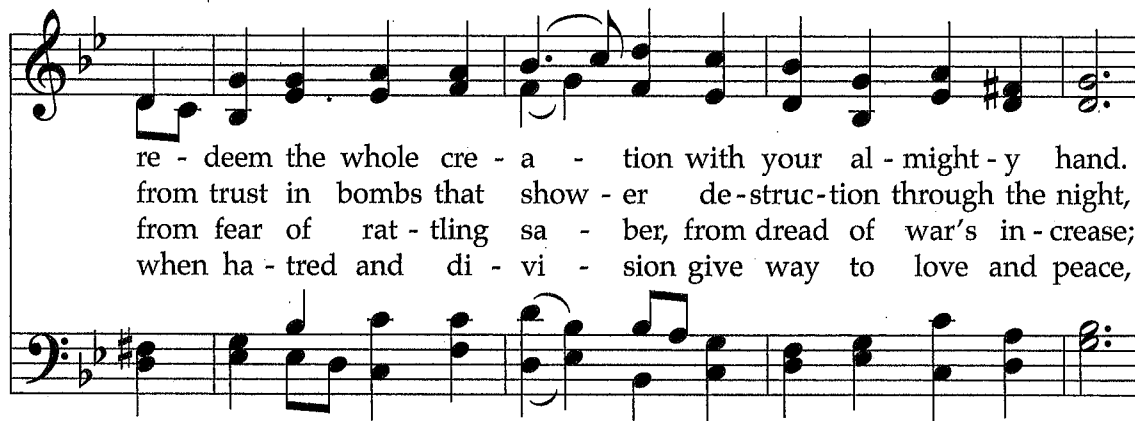
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| <p>1 꿈을 꾸세 평화의 자녀<br/>         주의 나라 이르도록<br/>         양과 늑대 함께 놀고<br/>         사자들도 풀을 뜯으며<br/>         독사들도 흙을 먹고<br/>         상처주지 않는곳<br/>         서로 다른 모든 백성<br/>         평화롭게 살리라</p> | <p>2 소망하세 부활의 자녀<br/>         어둠후에 아침오리<br/>         평화주신 구-주 예-수<br/>         우리장벽 모-두 허무사<br/>         하나님과 화목하며<br/>         하나되게 하셨네<br/>         정의평화 자-유 주-신<br/>         참된 소망 주예수</p> | <p>3 올라가세 독수리같이<br/>         구름너머 하늘높이<br/>         슬픔근심 사-라지-고<br/>         눈물고통 모-두 이기리<br/>         피곤하여 넘어져도<br/>         주가 새 힘 주시리<br/>         걸어가세 달-려가-세<br/>         쓰러지지 않으리</p> |
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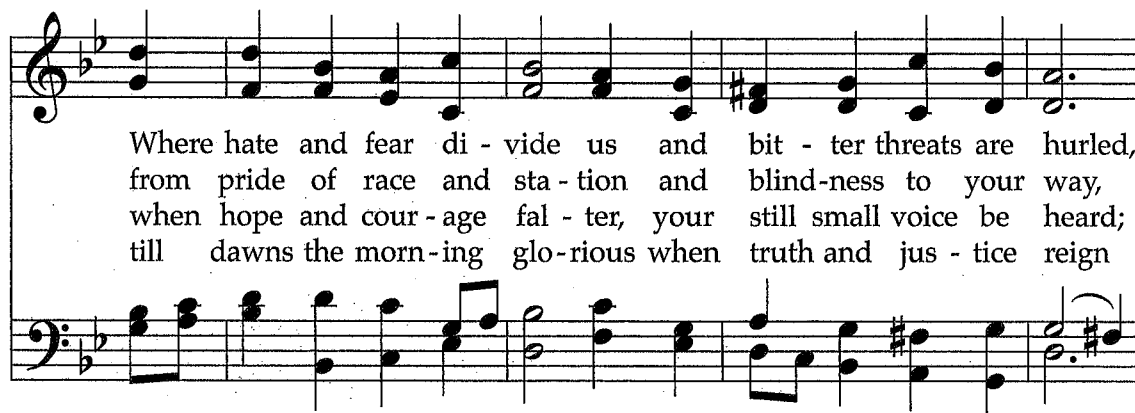
## O God of Every Nation 756



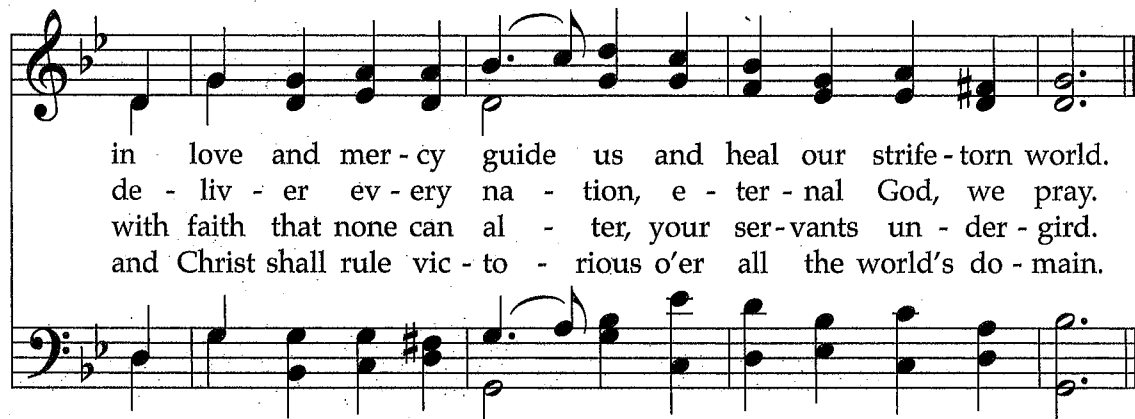
1 O God of ev - ery na - tion, of ev - ery race and land,  
 2 From search for wealth and pow - er and scorn of truth and right,  
 3 Lord, strength-en those who la - bor that all may find re - lease  
 4 Keep bright in us the vi - sion of days when war shall cease,



re - deem the whole cre - a - tion with your al - might - y hand.  
 from trust in bombs that show - er de - struc - tion through the night,  
 from fear of rat - tling sa - ber, from dread of war's in - crease;  
 when ha - tred and di - vi - sion give way to love and peace,



Where hate and fear di - vide us and bit - ter threats are hurled,  
 from pride of race and sta - tion and blind - ness to your way,  
 when hope and cour - age fal - ter, your still small voice be heard;  
 till dawns the morn - ing glo - rious when truth and jus - tice reign



in love and mer - cy guide us and heal our strife - torn world.  
 de - liv - er ev - ery na - tion, e - ter - nal God, we pray.  
 with faith that none can al - ter, your ser - vants un - der - gird.  
 and Christ shall rule vic - to - rious o'er all the world's do - main.

If we truly believe that God cares for all people, we cannot limit our prayers and songs for peace to the welfare of our own nation, no matter how much we may love it. This challenging text is set to a stirring Welsh tune, named for a hamlet with a prominent Baptist chapel.

## CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL FLOWERS 2024

*The Poinsettia Plants delivered to members are given to the glory of Almighty God by the congregation of Carmel Presbyterian Church, in celebration of Christmas and God's many blessings.*

- In memory of Paul and Edith Ankrum and Martin and Elise Simon, our parents and grandparents by Janet, Jeanne and Linda Simon
- In memory of Arthur & Gloria Armstrong, by your loving family.
- In memory of Jean and Jack Badger, by their family
- In memory of Laura Bates, by her daughter Lynne Schutt
- In memory of our parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Beck and Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. McKeown, sisters Margaret Beck and Katherine Helm, our brother and sister-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Beck, Jr., and our friend Larry Clark by Charles and Mary Ann Beck
- In memory of George T. Beck, by his wife Peggy Ann, Linda and John Flynn, and Katey, Ken, and Andrew Schuyler
- In memory of our grandparents, Mary & George Bennett, by Jan Heckman and family
- In memory of Rubie Bowers, loving wife and Mum-mum by the Lindsey's
- In loving memory of Millie Brecht by her husband, children and grandchildren
- In memory of Emma & Harry Brown, by their grandchildren Caitlin, Tyler, Jacquie, Christine, Colleen, Mark & Courtney
- In memory of Emma & Harry Brown, by Harry, Judy, & Will
- In memory of Dal Byers, by his daughter, Barbara Podrost
- In memory of Paula Byers, by her sister, Barbara Podrost
- In honor of all our dedicated Carmel members, who willingly share their time and talents, love and faith, care and hope for each other, our community and the world around us, by Scott, Deb, Carter & Nate Gates
- In memory of my parents, Kenneth and Barbara Cooper, by Lorrie Raquet
- In memory of my beloved husband, Les Degen, by Connie Degen
- In memory of June Garrett and Helen Metter, by William Garrett, Sr., and William Garrett, Jr.
- In loving memory of Marsha & Selden Gates and Leslie Degan by Scott, Deb, Carter & Nate Gates.
- In memory of our parents, Bob and Jane Gerhard by, their children Bob Jr., John, Susan and their families
- The Glory of God, anonymous

In memory of Arlene Hackman, by Rod, Ellen and Miriam  
In loving memory of Anna Heimbrook and Kate & Albert Willis,  
by their granddaughter, Anne Newman  
In loving memory of Edmond V. Morris by his niece, Pat Morris  
In loving memory of Eugene H. and Alice M. Morris, by their daughter-in-law, Pat Morris  
and by their grandchildren and great-grandchildren  
In loving memory of Gene Morris by his wife, Pat Morris, his daughters, Beth and  
Kelly, their spouses, John and Dan and his 10 grandchildren and one  
great-granddaughter  
In loving memory of Scott Morris by his mother, Pat Morris and his sisters and their  
husbands, John and Beth Santangelo and Dan and Kelly Sweeney  
In loving memory of my parents, Horace and Mildred Neff by Barbara  
Thompson and family  
In loving memory of Leona and Charles Newman, Sr., and Patricia and  
Charles Newman, Jr., by Anne Newman  
In memory of our grandparents, Leona & Charles Newman, Sr., by Jan  
Heckman & family  
In memory of my parents, Patricia & Charles Newman, Jr., by Jan  
Heckman & family  
In loving memory of Emily Rae and Samuel David Newman, by their  
grandmother, Anne Newman  
In loving memory of Walter Newman, by his wife, Anne  
In memory of Louise Robinson "our sister" by, Beth Cherry &  
Harriett Spinnraker  
In memory of Wes Rose, always in our hearts, by the Rose family  
In loving memory of Earl Rotenbury, by his wife Joan and family  
In memory of Georg Simon and his brother, Hans Simon, by Janet,  
Linda, and Jeanne Simon and Justin Binder  
In memory of my parents, Russell & Ethel Snow, by Connie Degen  
In memory of Patricia Sorber, by Meg Sorber  
In loving memory of my husband, Jim Thompson and his parents,  
Marguerite and John Thompson by Barbara Thompson and family  
In memory of William Vincent, by Judy and his daughters Christine & Courtney  
In loving memory of her parents, Richard Lewis Willis & Alice Heimbrook  
Willis, by Anne Newman

THE WREATH IN THE MEMORY GARDEN  
Is given in honor of those who are remembered there.

## CHRISTMAS MUSIC MEMORIAL GIFTS 2024

*The Special Music of the Holy Season is given to the Greater Glory of God  
in thanksgiving for the gift of His Son, Our Savior, Jesus Christ.*

- In loving memory of Paul & Eunice Bohlander from Tom and  
Nicole Bohlander
- In loving memory of Paul and Eunice Bohlander, from the Simon Family
- In loving memory of Ruth Detweiler, by her granddaughter, Susan  
Lohoefer
- In loving memory of Guy and Peg Gilbert, by Peggy Ann Beck, Linda &  
John Flynn, Katey, Ken and Andrew Schuyler
- In loving memory of our parents, Arthur & Cherry Lefferts, by their  
children Cynthia, Roger, Carol, Peter, Nancy, Barbara, Susan & their families
- In loving memory of Walter D. Monts, from Lynne Schutt
- In loving memory of our great-grandmom, Patricia Newman,  
from Annalise, Bennett and Layna Heckman
- In loving memory of Patricia Newman, from Jan Heckman
- In loving memory of our parents, grandparents and dear friends from  
Rich and Ruth Kucera
- In loving memory of Louise Robinson from Beth Cherry and  
Harriett Spinraker
- In loving memory of Wes Rose, who loved to sing in the choir,  
by the Rose's
- In loving memory of Chester and Janet Schuyler, from their children,  
grandchildren, and great-grandchildren
- In loving memory of John Sorber, from Meg Sorber
- In loving memory of my husband, Jim Thompson, by Barbara Thompson
- In loving memory of Douglas Warburton, by his wife Gail
- In loving memory of Martin Weiss, forever loving you,  
by Nancy & Mat

## **COMING EVENTS**

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

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 – Third Sunday of Advent**

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM  
Worship with communion in Sanctuary: 10:00 AM  
Potluck Christmas Brunch, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM

### **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18**

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

### **THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19**

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

### **FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20**

Nursery School holiday program and party, Carmel Hall;

### **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22 – Fourth Sunday in Advent**

Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM  
Worship with communion in Sanctuary: 10:00 AM  
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM  
Youth Choir, Sanctuary: 11:15-11:45 AM

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