

*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.*



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Carmel Presbyterian Church
Baptism of the Lord
January 12, 2025
10:00 AM

**Feel free to stand or sit.*

BOLD type is for congregation to respond.

WE GATHER TOGETHER

Pastoral Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Caithness

Rosalie Bonighton

Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized

(1946-2011)

****Call to Worship***

L: Like the soft whisper of a little child singing
to herself before anyone else in the house is awake,

**P: ever so gently, God's voice cradles us
with songs of wonder and awe.**

L: With the persistence of teenagers and young adults,
heady with the newfound freedom of questioning everything,

**P: God's voice rumbles like a river through our lives,
sweeping away all the boundaries between us.**

L: Like the grandpa who passes on the secret to his bread,
like the nana who teaches her grandkids how to drive,

**P: God's voice is always reminding us
that we are precious, esteemed, beloved.**

****Hymn 187***

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

Bradbury

****Call to Confession***

Even when we were dead through our sin, our merciful and loving God make us alive together with Christ and raised us up through him. In humility and faith, let us confess our sin to God.

****Prayer of Confession***

Merciful and loving God, you have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have not lived up to our calling to proclaim the good news in word and deed. We are quick to speak when we ought to listen and remain silent when it is time to speak. We put too much faith in our own actions and fail to trust the strength of your Spirit.

O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. Strengthen us anew to follow Christ's way in the world. By your Holy Spirit, give us the grace we need to be faithful disciples and fulfill our common calling; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen. (Pray silently)

***Declaration of Forgiveness**

L: By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

P: Praise be to God! We are forgiven! Amen.

L: Lead a life worthy of your calling, bearing with one another in love, and maintaining the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

***Gloria Patri 581**

Glory Be to the Father

Henry W. Greatorex

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Isaiah 43:1-7

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Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

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Sermon

God Values You

Rev. John Diller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

***Hymn 177**

I Will Come to You

You Are Mine

Service of Ordination and Installation

Statement on Ordination

Profession of Faith

Constitutional Questions

Prayer of Ordination and Installation

Declaration and Charge

Passing of the Peace

Prayer of Thanksgiving, Petition, Intercession

The Lord's Prayer

Page 35, GtG Hymnal

Call to Offering

Offertory

Gracious Spirit Dwell With Me

K. Lee Scott

Sanctuary Choir

(b. 1950)

Gracious Spirit, dwell with me, I would gracious be;
Help me now thy grace to see, I would be like thee;
And, with words that help and heal, thy life would mine reveal;
And, with actions bold and meek, For Christ, my Savior, speak.

Truthful Spirit, dwell with me, I would truthful be;
Help me now thy truth to see, I would be like thee;
And, with wisdom kind and clear, thy life in mine appear;
And, with actions brotherly, Speak Christ's sincerity.

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 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) meets 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 ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CORPORATION AND CONGREGATION OF CARMEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH is scheduled for Sunday, February 2, 2025. Please send your reports to Kathy in the office by January 20, 2025.

THE MORNING FLOWERS IN OUR SANCTUARY are to the Glory of God and all of his creations.

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

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/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJljlDvsRw>

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 scan the QR code below or use this link: <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

Eric Krieg, Worship Assistant

Janet Simon, Greeter

Joyce Kornfeld, Coffee Hour

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

Support Carmel Youth Ministry's
Dr. Martin Luther, King, Jr.
Day of Service Project Collection

Carmel Youth Ministry will be partnering with the residents of Fort Washington Estates in a collection that will benefit the Face-to-Face organization in Germantown.

Items being collected are:

- Toiletries: (TRAVEL SIZE/SMALL SIZE ONLY)
Individual bars of soap, shampoo/conditioner, deodorant, toothpaste/toothbrush, skin/hand lotion, disposable razors, washcloths, shaving cream
- Snack Bags: (Snacks for Children)

Cheese crackers, cookies, juice boxes, trail mix/granola bars or easy to chew items.
Carmel's youth will partner with the residents to organize the items collected and then spend time with the residents playing fun games.

Place all donations in the bin in the lobby by **Sunday, January 19th**.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!
TRAVEL/SMALL SIZE ONLY PLEASE



Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us 187



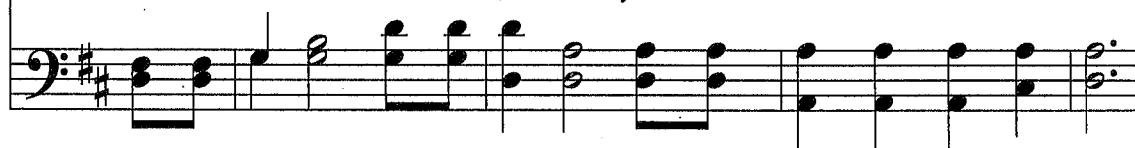
1 Sav - ior, like a shep-herd lead us; much we need your ten-der care.
2 We are yours: in love be - friend us; be the guard-ian of our way.
3 You have prom-ised to re - ceive us, poor and sin-ful though we be;
4 Ear - ly let us seek your fa - vor; ear - ly let us do your will.



In your pleas-ant pas-tures feed us; for our use your fold pre-prepare.
Keep your flock: from sin de - fend us; seek us when we go a-stray.
you have mer - cy to re - lieve us, grace to cleanse, and power to free.
Bless - ed Lord and on - ly Sav - ior, with your love our spir - its fill.



Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have bought us: we are yours.
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, hear your chil - dren when we pray.
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, ear - ly let us turn to you.
Bless-ed Je - sus, bless-ed Je - sus, you have loved us; love us still.



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This unattributed hymn, like many that are now meaningful to adults, was written for children and develops shepherd imagery from Psalm 23 and John 10:1-18. The tune, composed for these words, was originally named for the text but has come to be known by the composer's name.

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.

I Will Come to You You Are Mine

Leader or All



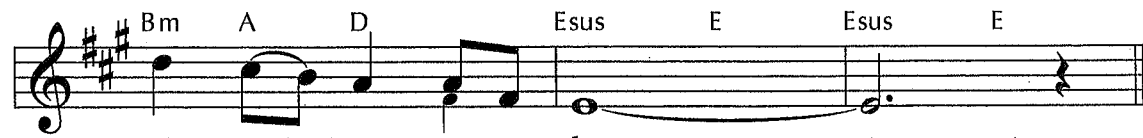
1 "I will come to you in the si - lence;
2 "I am hope for all who are hope - less;
3 "I am strength for all the de - spair - ing,
(4) am the Word that leads all to free - dom; I



I will lift you from all your fear.
I am eyes for all who long to see. (2) In the
heal - ing for the ones who dwell in shame.
am the peace the world can - not give.



You will hear my voice; I claim you as my choice. Be
shad - ows of the night, I will be your light.
All the blind will see; the lame will all run free, and
I will call your name, em - brac - ing all your pain. Stand



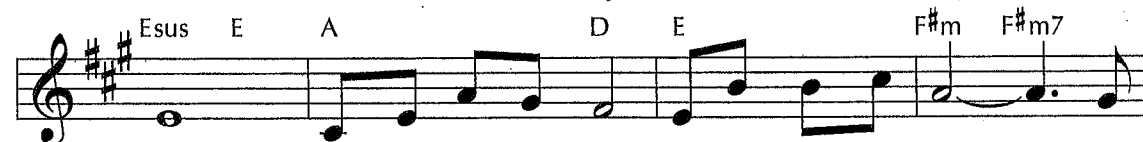
still and know I am here. (to stanza 2)
Come and rest in me. (to Refrain)
all will know my name. (to Refrain)
up, now walk and live! (to Refrain)

Refrain

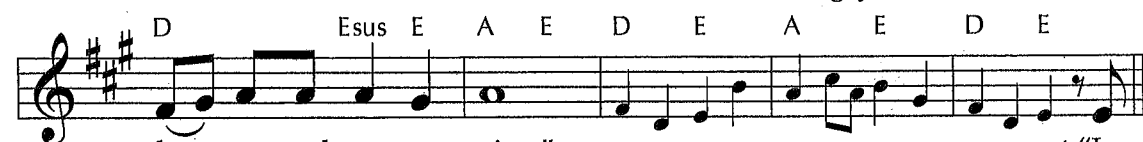
All



Do not be a - fraid, I am with you. I have called you each by



name. Come and fol - low me, I will bring you home; I



love you and you are mine." 4 "I

Presuming to speak in the voice of God, as this song does, can only be done with integrity if the singers

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.

753 Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Prayer of St. Francis

D Bm A7 D Em A7

1 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
 2 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. Where
 4 Make me a chan-nel of your peace. It

D Bm G Em A7

there is ha-tred, let me bring your love. Where
 there's de-spair in life, let me bring hope. Where
 is in par-don-ing that we are par-doned, in

Em A7 Em7 A7

there is in-ju-ry, your par-don, Lord, and
 there is dark-ness, on-ly light, and
 giv-ing of our-selves that we re-ceive, and in

Em A7 D 1 2, 4 (Fine)

where there's doubt, true faith in you.
 where there's sad-ness, ev-er joy.
 dy-ing that we're born to e-ter-nal life.

G Em D Bm

3 O, Mas-ter, grant that I may nev-er seek so

Em A7 D A7 D D7

much to be con-soled as to con-sole, to be

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Though popular opinion credits this prayer to Francis of Assisi, the earliest known printing was in a French religious magazine in 1912. Yet that gentle saint's spirit seems evident in these words, a quality that has spurred many paraphrases and musical settings such as this one

Musical staff with notes and chords: G, Em, F#m, Bm.

un - der - stood as to un - der - stand, to be

Musical staff with notes and chords: E, E7, A, E, A.

loved as to love with all my soul.

to Stanza 4
A7

COMING EVENTS

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12 – Baptism of the Lord

Session commission meeting for examination of new officers, lounge: 9:00 AM
Sanctuary Choir rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM
Worship in Sanctuary: 10:00 AM
Service of ordination and Installation of new officers
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM
Youth Choir rehearsal, Choir Room: 11:15-11:45 AM

MONDAY, JANUARY 13

Handbell Choir, Choir Room: 7:30 PM

TUESDAY, JANUARY 14

Session meets, Chapel: 6:30 PM

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15

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

THURSDAY, JANUARY 16

Bible Explorers Study Group, Lounge: 6:15-7:25 PM
Sanctuary Choir, Choir Room and Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

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

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