

*Have you not known? Have you not heard?  
The Lord is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.  
He does not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is unsearchable.  
He gives power to the faint  
and strengthens the powerless.  
Even youths will faint and be weary,  
and the young will fall exhausted,  
but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles;  
they shall run and not be weary;  
they shall walk and not faint. Amen.*



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**Carmel Presbyterian Church**  
**January 11, 2026**  
**Baptism of the Lord**  
**10:00 AM**

*\*Feel free to stand or sit.*

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

WE GATHER TOGETHER

***Pastoral Welcome and Announcements***

***Prelude***

*Repton (Hymn tune name)*

Robert J. Powell  
(1932-2025)

***\*Call to Worship (Psalm 29)***

L: Ascribe to the Lord, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

**P: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in splendor.**

L: The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders over mighty waters.

**P: The voice of the Lord breaks the cedars and flashes forth flames of fire.**

L: And all in his temple say "Glory!"

**P: And all in his temple say "Glory!"**

**ALL: May the Lord give strength to his people; may the Lord bless his people with peace.**

***\*Hymn 10***

*Sing Glory to the Name of God*

Lasst uns erfreuen

***\*Call to Confession***

Trusting in God's grace, let us confess our sin.

***\*Prayer of Confession***

Merciful God, in baptism you promise forgiveness and new life, making us part of the body of Christ. We confess that we remain preoccupied with ourselves, separated from one another. We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges, and show reluctance to welcome one another. We allow the past to hold us captive.

In your loving-kindness, have mercy on us, and free us from our sin. Fulfill the promises of our baptism so that we may rise to new life, and live together in grace. In our silent prayer, let us hear an echo of the voice that said, "you are my child, my beloved; with you I am well pleased." (pray silently)

***\*Declaration of Forgiveness***

L: The waters are a symbol of the new creation. The old life is gone, a new life has begun.

**P: Praise be to God! My Spirit declares forgiveness!**

L: Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace. **Amen.**

**\*Refrain** Christ, be our light!  
Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.  
Christ, be our light!  
Shine in your church gathered today.

Hymn 314

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scripture Lessons**

*Matthew 3:13-17*

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*Acts 10:34-43*

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**Sermon**

*Witness*

Rev. John M. Diller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

**\*Hymn 432**

*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*

Repton

**Ordination and Installation of Officers**

Sentences of Scripture

Statement on Ordination and Installation

Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Constitutional Questions

Prayer, Welcome, and Charge

Passing of the Peace

**Call to Offering**

**Offertory**

*Wash, O God, Your Sons and Daughters*  
Sanctuary Choir

The Sacred Harp

Wash, O God, your sons and daughters, newborn creatures of your womb.  
Number them among your people, raised like Christ from death and tomb.  
Weave them garments bright and sparkling; compass them with love and light.  
Fill, anoint them; send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.

Every day we need your nurture; by your milk may we be fed.  
Let us join your feast, partaking cup of blessing, living bread.  
God, renew us; guide our footsteps, free from sin and all its snares,  
one with Christ in living, dying, by your Spirit, children, heirs.

O how deep your holy wisdom! Unimagined, all your ways!  
To your name be glory, honor! With our lives we worship, praise!  
We your people stand before you, water-washed and Spirit-born.  
By your grace, our lives we offer. Recreate us; God, transform!

(Text: Ruth Duck, 1987)

**\*Doxology 606**

*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Old Hundredth

**\*Pastoral Prayer and Dedication**

WE TAKE THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

**\*Hymn 69**

*I, the Lord of Sea and Sky*

Here I Am, Lord

**\*Charge and Benediction**

**Chimes**

**Postlude**

*Trumpet Tune in D*

David N. Johnson  
(1922-1987)

**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 YOUNG WORSHIPPERS** by offering **Children's Worship (Ages 3 to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade)** during the Sunday 10:00 AM worship service. **Children's Worship** does not require a reservation ahead. Children leave the Sanctuary after the **Children's Message** and go with their leader to the Children's Ministry Room. An usher can be of assistance.

**CARMEL'S TWO VOLUNTEER DATES** at the Willow Grove Baptist Food Pantry in January are Saturday, January 10 from 10:00 am to 1:30 pm and Thursday, January 22 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. One spot is available for January 10 and two spots for January 22. You can sign up on the lobby poster or by calling the church office.

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

**THE MORNING FLOWERS AT THE LORD'S TABLE** are for 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/UC2KnjuJryWjVkrJljlDvsRw>

***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*

*Chris Mudge, Worship Assistant*

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

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# 10 Sing Glory to the Name of God

(Psalm 29)

*Unison*

1 Sing glo - ry to the name of God, whose ho - ly splen - dor shines a -  
 2 The name of God is full of might: re - sound - ing thun - der, flash - ing  
 3 The name of God is wild and free, a - whirl in ho - ly mys - ter -  
 4 May God for - ev - er be our peace; may hymns of glo - ry nev - er

*Harmony* *Unison*

broad.  
light.  
y.  
cease:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

En - throned a - bove the  
The wil - der - ness can -  
A se - cret wrapped in  
Let all the faith - ful

crash - ing waves, the God of grace and glo - ry saves.  
 not con - tain the ech - oes of the great re - frain:  
 smoke and fire, still chant - ed by the tem - ple choir:  
 peo - ple come; sing praise to God, the Three - in - One:

This sweeping paraphrase of Psalm 29 conveys a sense of the Jewish reverence for the sheer power of God's name, regarded as too holy for mortal tongues to pronounce. In keeping with its appointment for Trinity Sunday, the final stanza gives the psalm a Christian interpretation.

THE TRIUNE GOD

*Harmony*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia,

The Harmony section consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature. The music features a melody in the upper staff and a supporting bass line in the lower staff. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

*Unison*

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Unison section consists of two staves. The upper staff is in treble clef with a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#). The lower staff is in bass clef with the same key signature. The music features a melody in the upper staff and a supporting bass line in the lower staff. The lyrics are written below the upper staff.

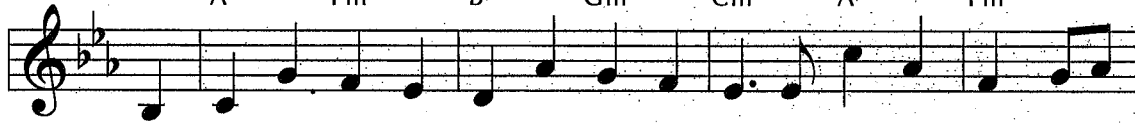
# How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord 432

Capo 1: (D) (A) (Bm) (G) (D) (A)(D)  
 Eb Bb Cm Ab Eb Bb Eb



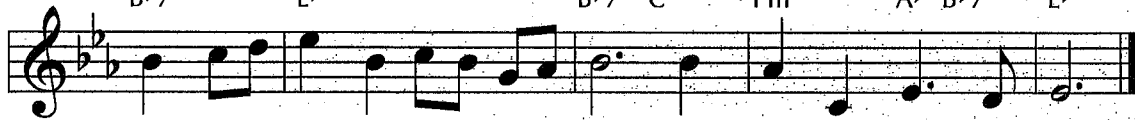
1 How clear is our vo - ca - tion, Lord, when once we heed your call  
 2 But if, for - get - ful, we should find your yoke is hard to bear;  
 3 We mar - vel how your saints be - came in hin - dranc - es more sure:  
 4 In what you give us, Lord, to do, to - geth - er or a - lone,

(G) (Em) (A) (F#m) (Bm) (G) (Em)  
 Ab Fm Bb Gm Cm Ab Fm



to live ac - cord - ing to your word and dai - ly learn, re - freshed, re -  
 if world - ly pres - sures fray the mind and love it - self can - not un -  
 whose joy - ful vir - tues put to shame the ca - sual way we wear your  
 in old rou - tines or ven - tures new, may we not cease to look to

(A7) (D) (A7)(B) (Em) (G)(A7) (D)  
 Bb7 Eb Bb7 C Fm Ab Bb7 Eb



stored, that you are Lord of all and will not let us fall.  
 wind its tan - gled skein of care: our in - ward life re - pair.  
 name, and by our faults ob - scure your power to cleanse and cure.  
 you: the cross you hung up - on, all you en - deav - ored, done.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

This reflection on Christian vocation was written to provide a new text for a pre-existing tune, and the poet has crafted his words so well that the two parts mesh smoothly. The tune is named for a noted British boarding school, whose music director was a friend of the composer.

# 606

## Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise \*him, all creatures

here below; praise \*him above, ye heavenly host; praise

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

\*Or "God"

TEXT: Thomas Ken, 1695, 1709  
MUSIC: Genevan Psalter, 1551

OLD HUNDREDTH  
LM

# 69 I, the Lord of Sea and Sky

## Here I Am, Lord

G Am D G C G D  
*Leader or All*

1 I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
 2 I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
 3 I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

G Em C Am7 D G

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who  
 I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will  
 I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin - est

Am D G C G D

made the stars of night, I will make their dark - ness bright.  
 break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
 bread I will pro - vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

G Em C Am7 C/G D D7

Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?  
 I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?  
 I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

*Refrain*  
 All G C G D G C G D G

Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord? I have heard you

Am7 G Am7 D G C G C

call - ing in the night. I will go, Lord, if you

G C G D G Am7 D7 G Am7 G

lead me. I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

The stanzas here need to be understood as representing the voice of God, while the refrain (based on Isaiah 6:8) is the faithful human response to God's call. This becomes clearer if a leader or small group sings the stanzas, with the congregation joining on the refrain.

# 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.

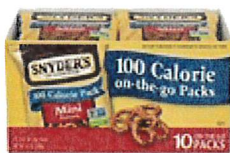
Suggestions for snack bag items:

- Cheese Crackers
- Granola Bars
- Cookies
- Pretzels / Goldfish
- Cereal Bars
- Applesauce packets
- Fruit Cup
- Juice Boxes / Small Water Bottles

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 18<sup>th</sup>**.

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



## **COMING EVENTS**

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

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 11**

Session Commission meets in lounge: 9:00 AM  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary: 9:30 AM  
Worship in Sanctuary: 10:00 AM  
Service of Ordinance and Installation of new officers  
Coffee Hour, Carmel Hall: 11:00 AM  
Youth Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room: 11:15-11:45 AM

### **MONDAY, JANUARY 12**

Handbell Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room: 7:30 PM

### **TUESDAY, JANUARY 13**

Session meets in Chapel: 6:30 PM

### **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 14**

Deadline for Courier articles/images  
Children's Choir (grades K-2), Choir Room and Sanctuary: 5:00-5:40 PM  
Junior Choir (grades 3-10), Choir Room and Sanctuary: 5:45-6:30 PM  
Carmel Youth Ministry (CYM) (grades 2-8), Carmel Hall: 6:30-7:30 PM  
High School Youth Group (grades 9-12), Tower Room: 6:00-7:00 PM

### **THURSDAY, JANUARY 15**

Deadline to submit Annual Meeting reports  
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal, Choir Room and Sanctuary: 7:30 PM

### **SUNDAY, JANUARY 18**

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