



CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 18, 2022

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

9:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

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MOMENT FOR CPC

Usher Team

Kathy Lewin

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Misty Dunn

Leader: Beloved children of God, open your hearts to truth.

People: But we have more questions than answers!

Leader: Beloved children of God, open your hearts to hope.

People: But the world around fills us with more concern than anticipation!

Leader: Beloved children of God, open your hearts to faith.

People: But our hearts are uncertain and struggle with doubt!

Leader: The God who loves us welcomes our questions, our concerns, and our doubts.

People: Therefore, in faith and uncertainty, with questions and convictions

All: We bring our whole selves to worship the God of love.

* OPENING SONG

"Take My Life, That I May Be"

Havergal & Pharris

Take My Life, That I May Be

Toma, oh Dios, mi voluntad

(U) 583

Refrain/Estribillo

To - ma, oh Dios, mi vo - lun - tad, y haz - la tu - ya, na -
 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord,

E A B⁷

da más; to - ma, sí, mi co - ra - zón
 to thee; take my mo - ments and my days;

E A

To stanzas | *Last time*
 y tu tro - no en él ten - drás. ten - drás.
 let them flow in cease - less praise. less praise.

B⁷ E A B E

1 *Que mi vi - da en - te - ra es - té*
 1 Take my hands and let them move
 2 Take my sil - ver and my gold,
 3 Take my voice and let me sing
 4 Take my will and make it thine;

con - sa - gra - da a ti, Se - ñor;
 at the im - pulse of thy love;
 not a mite would I with - hold;
 al - ways, on - ly for my King;
 it shall be no lon - ger mine;

que a mis ma - nos pue - da guiar el im -
 take my feet and let them be swift and
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - 'ry
 take my lips and let them be filled with
 take my heart, it is thine own; it shall

pul - so de tu a - mor.
 beau - ti - ful for thee.
 pow'r as thou shalt choose.
 mes - sag - es from thee.
 be thy roy - al throne.

Refrain/Estribillo

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Misty Dunn

Leader: Before we speak, God knows our needs, yet our words open our hearts to God's grace. We prepare ourselves for God's healing by using words and silence to tell of all that separates us from God and one another. Let's pray together:

All: Everlasting God, we must confess how we have not lived as your people. We serve many masters—work, wealth, power, popularity—yet find no hope in them. We struggle with not being right all the time, and wrestle with our lack of understanding. Give us strength and courage to get our priorities straight: help us to seek your kin-dom first. Help us to live faithfully and joyfully in the world, and to be family to the people you call us to serve. Help us also to remember that our best relationship is the one we have with you.

Silence

Leader: We have let go of the pain, the bitterness, the anger of our lives, now let us be kind, tender-hearted, and gentle towards each other, forgiving as God has forgiven us. We are God's beloved children, and will model God's grace and love in our hearts.

People: We are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

(Following the Time for Young People, children age 4-5th grade are invited to Sunday School in Room 206)

* SONG

"Before the Throne of God Above"

Bancroft & Cook

Before the throne of God above, I have a strong, a perfect plea
A great high priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is written on His hands; My name is hidden in His heart
I know that while in heaven He stands no power can force me to depart
No power can force me to depart.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 16:1-13

¹Then Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. ²So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." ³Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. ⁴I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." ⁵So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" ⁶He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." ⁷Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." ⁸And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. ⁹And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

¹⁰ 'Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. ¹¹If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? ¹²And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? ¹³No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

* SONG

“Longing for Light, We Wait in Darkness”

No. 314
Glory to God



1 Long-ing for light, we wait in dark-ness. Long-ing for
 2 Long-ing for peace, our world is trou-bled. Long-ing for
 3 Long-ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long-ing for
 4 Long-ing for shel - ter, man - y are home-less. Long-ing for
 5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the



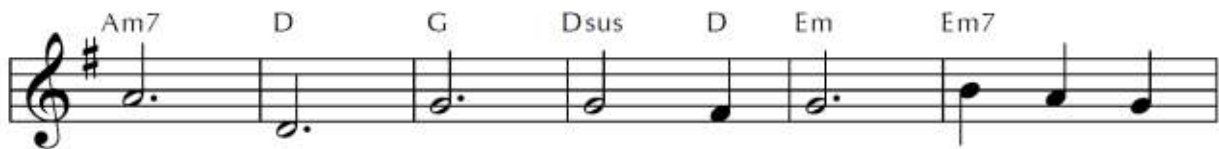
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
 hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
 wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
 warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
 hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants



your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
 has power to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
 bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
 shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
 to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your king - dom come.



Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the



dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your



church gath - ered to - day.

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Thank you, God, for the purpose and meaning of our lives; for your call to serve and love our neighbors; for the knowledge that we can make a difference through a smile, a gesture, a gift of time, talent or treasure.

Thank you, God, for moments of pause that frame our lives with spiritual meaning; morning meditation or evening devotions when we rest in your presence and recollect, with gratitude, your abundant blessings.

Thank you, God, even for the problems and pain; injustices frustrate and overwhelm, but also call us to collective action and inspire us to right what is wrong. Melt our hearts with compassion, God, for the poor, the oppressed, the marginalized, for all those in need of your saving grace and your liberating love. Mold us as your hands and feet of action. Make us the answers to our prayers.

Finally, hear us, God of mercy, as we lift our heartfelt concerns to you and pray silently for those whose specific burdens weigh heavy on our hearts ...

United as a community of faith and as the Body of Christ, we lift these prayers up to you, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Hear us as we join our hearts and our voices in praying the prayer Christ taught us to pray by saying,

Unison: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

(If you would like to privately share a concern, thanksgiving, or request for healing, please come to the Stephen Ministry banner on the east wall of the Sanctuary immediately following the service for individual prayer with a Stephen Minister)

* CLOSING SONG

"For These Reasons"

Brewster

For Your endless love, for the life You gave
For the second chance, for Your priceless grace
For Your healing hands, for the gift of peace
For the blessed hope, and for the faith to believe

For these reasons I praise You
For these reasons I worship You
For these reasons I live to tell of Your love to all the world

* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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