



CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 4, 2024

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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MOMENT FOR CPC

Winter Respite

Barbara Farley

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 147)

Ernie Chard

Leader: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving!

People: How good it is to sing praises to our God.

Leader: For God is gracious, healing the brokenhearted, binding up their wounds.

People: God's understanding is beyond measure. Praise the Lord!

* OPENING SONG

“Our God”

Matt Redman, Jonas Myrin,
Chris Tomlin and Jesse Reeves

Water You turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind
There's no one like You, none like You
Into the darkness You shine, out of the ashes we rise
There's no one like You, none like You

Our God is greater, our God is stronger. God, You are higher than any other
Our God is healer, awesome in power, Our God, our God
Into the darkness You shine, out of the ashes we rise
There's no one like You, none like You

Our God is greater, our God is stronger, God, You are higher than any other
Our God is healer, awesome in power, Our God, our God

And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us?
And if our God is with us, then what could stand against?
And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us?

And if our God is with us, then what could stand against? What could stand against?

Our God is greater, our God is stronger. God, You are higher than any other
Our God is healer, awesome in power, Our God, our God

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Ernie Chard

Leader: God our Creator know us each by name and knows our hearts. Let us confess our sins before our God, who desires to save us and set us free.

All: Gracious God, it's tempting to give up and give in, to hide from the injustices of the world, to protect ourselves and our own, to turn off the evening news full of bad news. Forgive our sins of escape, of ignoring, or turning our backs on those in need. Forgive our sins of apathy when you call us to action. Renew us, Holy God, by your grace. Strengthen us to follow Christ's call.

Silence

Leader: “The steadfast love of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.” Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Psalm 103:17

People: Amen.

* RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

“Glory Be to the Father (Gloria Patri)”

No. 581
Glory to God

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 e - ver shall be, world with - out
end. A - men, A - men.

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

(All children are invited to the front of the church. Afterwards, they may return to their seats to participate in the remainder of worship and Communion.)

* HYMN

“O Christ the Healer”

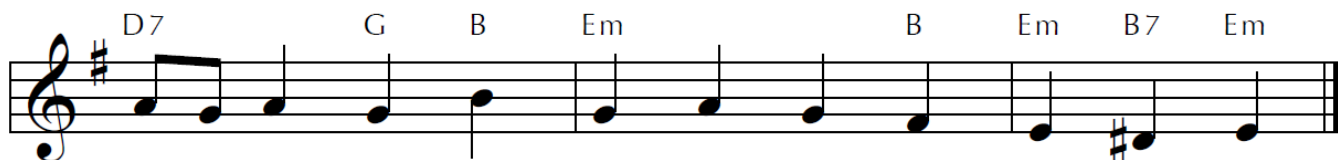
No. 793
Glory to God



1 O Christ, the heal - er, we have come to pray for
2 From ev - ery ail - ment flesh en - dures our bod - ies
3 How strong, O Lord, are our de - sires, how weak our
4 In con - flicts that de - stroy our health we rec - og -
5 Grant that we all, made one in faith, in your com -



health, to plead for friends. How can we fail to
clam - or to be freed; yet in our hearts we
knowl - edge of our - selves! Re - lease in us those
nize the world's dis - ease; our com - mon life de -
mu - ni - ty may find the whole - ness that, en -



be re - stored when reached by love that nev - er ends?
would con - fess that whole - ness is our deep - est need.
heal - ing truths un - con - scious pride re - sists or shelves.
clares our ills. Is there no cure, O Christ, for these?
rich - ing us, shall reach the whole of hu - man - kind.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:29-39

²⁹ As soon as they left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. ³⁰Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. ³¹He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

³² That evening, at sunset, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. ³³And the whole city was gathered around the door. ³⁴And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him.

³⁵ In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. ³⁶And Simon and his companions hunted for him. ³⁷When they found him, they said to him, 'Everyone is searching for you.' ³⁸He answered, 'Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do.' ³⁹And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

SERMON

The Feature Attraction

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

* HYMN

"Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread"

No. 500
Glory to God

1 Be known to us in break-ing bread, but do not then de - part;
2 Here share with us, in love di - vine, your bod - y and your blood,

Sav - ior, a - bide with us, and spread your ta - ble in our heart.
that liv - ing bread, that heaven-ly wine be our im - mor - tal food.

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

Pastor: We come to the Lord's Supper as a community of believers, renewed by the memory of Christ's life and death, by his real presence in the power of the Holy Spirit, and by the promise of his coming again.

People: Christ makes himself known to us in the breaking of bread.

Pastor: He offers his body broken for our sake and his blood shed for the forgiveness of our sins.

People: We accept his promises and gifts and depend on his life to sustain ours.

Pastor: In turn we offer ourselves in thanksgiving to the risen Lord who has conquered death.

People: So we celebrate his victory here and now and anticipate the joyous feast in his coming kingdom. Reunited around one loaf and cup, we receive strength and courage to continue our pilgrimage with God in the world.

(If you are worshiping via live stream, place a plate with bread or crackers in your home worship space. Beside it set a cup with juice, wine, water, or other common beverage. With these elements we celebrate the shared presence of Christ that connects and nourishes our communion of faith.)

WORDS OF REMEMBERING

Pastor: We remember that Jesus came to lead followers to feed those who are hungry, shelter those unhoused, clothe those naked, and comfort those afflicted.

We remember that Jesus came to lead followers to destroy injustices, lift up those who are oppressed, break the yokes of those victimized and, at the same time, stop pointing fingers of blame.

And we remember that Jesus sealed the covenant not in a fast of deprivation, but a feast of hope, as he sat at a Passover meal celebrating escape from oppression, and claiming that the new Way is bread and fruit and love.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Spirit of Christ, we thank you that your Bread is Body and your Cup is poured for all. Feed us now that we might shake into the world the seasoning of love. Shine on our lives today and give us enough for everyone's tomorrows.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

(Wherever you are, in the Sanctuary or at home, you are invited to partake of the bread and the cup. If you are worshiping in person, please come down the center aisle to receive the communion elements; partake and return to your seat using the side aisles. Servers will bring communion to the seats of those who cannot come forward.)

COMMUNION SONG

“In Our Midst”

Jenny DeVries

Lord, we take this bread. We eat remembering you
Lord, we take this cup. We drink remembering you
Every time we eat this bread, every time we drink this cup
You are here in our midst.

Lord, we take this bread. We eat remembering you
Lord, we take this cup. We drink remembering you
Every time we eat this bread, every time we drink this cup
You are here in our midst.

You said this is the new covenant. This is the new covenant
Sealed with My blood, your sins are washed away to let my love pour in

Lord, we take this bread. We eat remembering you
Lord, we take this cup. We drink remembering you
Every time we eat this bread, every time we drink this cup
You are here in our midst.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Faithful God, now that we are fed, we recognize how many there are who need a lighted lamp to be lifted high, and it may take several hands to hold it. Now that we are fed, we recognize how many there are who need a taste of hope for tomorrow and who need a sip of courage to face it. Let us not hide the brightness of hope or intensity of courage, for we are your light that shines in the world, revealing your love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

OFFERING AND PRAYER

OFFERTORY

“Jesus Loves the Little Children”

C.H. Wollston,
arr. Marvin Gaspard

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Almighty God, we await you in prayer, bowing our heads before you, humbly seeking your presence, your help, your hope. You taught us to pray not only for ourselves but for people everywhere. Hear us now as we pray for others, in the name of Jesus Christ.

Inspire the whole church to bear witness to Christ's power and love. May we embody your Triune unity and work together for peace.

Lead all nations in the way of justice. Direct those who govern to seek paths of diplomacy and peace, to calm the troubled waters of conflict, to respect the dignity of all life, and to defend oppressed people.

Awaken all people to the damage we have inflicted upon the earth. Instill in us a reverence for your creation that we may preserve its delicate balance for all coming generations.

Comfort and relieve, O God, all who are experiencing trouble ... sorrow ... poverty ... sickness ... grief ... especially those known to us, whom we name before you now in silence ... Heal these souls in body, mind, or circumstance, renewing them by your grace, helping them face their challenges with the strength of faith.

We lift these prayers to you, Gracious God, confident that you hear us and know even the prayers we are too afraid to pray. Hear us now as we join our hearts and our voices to pray the prayers Jesus taught us to pray by saying,

All: 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. 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

"Go to the World"

No. 295
Glory to God



1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.
3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,



Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
for I am with you till the age shall end,



bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
when all the hosts of glo - ry cry "A - men!"



Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **“The Lord Whom We Love”**
Congregation may join hands

Kurt Kaiser

The Lord whom we love, whom we wor-ship and a-
dore, we will serve through - out this com-ing week. He it
is who binds us to- geth- er, and he it is who sends us a -
part, to be God's peo-ple, be God's peo-ple. A - men.

* POSTLUDE

“Tocatta in E minor”

Johann Pachelbel

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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