



Seventh Sunday of Easter

CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 12, 2024

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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MOMENT FOR CPC

Women's Retreat

Sharon MacLean

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Psalm 1)

Mary Thomas

Leader: Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked.

People: We delight in God's Word, we meditate on God day and night.

Leader: Our worship grounds us in God, like trees planted by streams of water.

People: God helps us yield good fruit. We do not wither when we spend time in God's presence.

I have decided, I have resolved to wait upon You, Lord
 My rock and redeemer, shield and reward, I'll wait upon You, Lord
 As surely as the sun will rise, You'll come to us. Certain as the dawn appears
 You'll come. Let Your glory fall as You respond to us.
 Spirit, rain, flood into our thirsty hearts again. You'll come, You'll come
 We are not shaken, we are not moved. We wait upon You, Lord
 Mighty deliverer, triumph and truth, we wait upon You, Lord
 As surely as the sun will rise, You'll come to us. Certain as Your word endures
 You'll come. Let Your glory fall as You respond to us.
 Spirit, rain, flood into our thirsty hearts again. You'll come, You'll come
 Chains be broken. Lives be healed. Eyes be opened. Christ is revealed.
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 You'll come. Let Your glory fall as You respond to us.
 Spirit, rain, flood into our thirsty hearts again. You'll come.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Mary Thomas

Leader: As this Easter season comes to a close, we turn again to God to confess our sins, the sins of our community and society, to prepare ourselves to live into the redemption Christ offers.

All: Savior God, we invite you into our lives for a season, only to forget and neglect you once again. You beckon us, calling for our attention, but we are distracted and busy taking care of other priorities. Remind us, Holy God, that you are the source of our flourishing. You are the living water by which we have been planted. Forgive our neglect. Forgive our unfaithfulness. Focus us on you, your Word, and all that your Spirit provides.

Silence

Leader: Christ forgives. Christ transforms. Christ renews. Christ leads us down the path of new beginnings. We are a new creation, ready to sing God's glory and testify to God's grace.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. 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

(Children are invited to the front of the church. Afterwards, children 4 years old through 5th grade are invited to Sunday School in Room 207.)

* SONG

“We Believe”

Travis Ryan, Richie Fike,
and Matt Hooper

In this time of desperation, when all we know is doubt and fear
There is only one foundation: we believe, we believe
In our broken generation, when all is dark, You help us see
There is only one salvation: we believe, we believe
We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit and He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that he conquered death
We believe in the resurrection and He's coming back again. We believe
So let our faith be more than anthems, greater than the songs we sing
And in our weakness and temptations we believe, we believe
We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit and He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that he conquered death
We believe in the resurrection and He's coming back again.
Let the lost be found and the dead be raised
In the here and now let love invade
Let the church live loud. Our God, we'll say
We believe, we believe
And the gates of Hell will not prevail
For the power of God has torn the veil
Now we know Your love will never fail
We believe, we believe
We believe in God the Father. We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit and He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion. We believe that he conquered death
We believe in the resurrection and He's coming back again.
We believe. We believe

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

¹⁵In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred and twenty people) and said, ¹⁶'Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus— ¹⁷for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry.'

²¹So one of the men who have accompanied us throughout the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, ²²beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us—one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection.' ²³So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. ²⁴Then they prayed and said, 'Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen ²⁵to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place.' ²⁶And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

* HYMN

“Guide My Feet”

No. 741
Glory to God

1 Guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race;

(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

- 2 Hold my hand ...
- 3 Stand by me ...
- 4 I'm your child ...

- 5 Search my heart ...
- 6 Guide my feet ...

OFFERING AND PRAYER

OFFERTORY

“Adagio” from Clarinet Concerto in A Major

W.A. Mozart

Bev Harris, bass clarinet

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: God of Creation, on this Mother's Day we give thanks for the way you nurture and care for each of us as your beloved children. We praise you for your comfort and care, for the ways you wrap your divine arms around us and pull us close, for the ways you suffer when we suffer, like a mother aching and grieving over the pain of her child.

God of Wisdom, Nurturer of Hope, we also give thanks for the faithful lives of women without children, for the abundant gifts they share, for the fruitful lives they live. For all those for whom “Mother's Day” is painful, we pray the church can be a place that embraces and celebrates all expressions of love and all those who delight in the care and upbringing of God's children.

God who provides, help us to know and care for people who are in need of your mercy and grace. Today, we turn our attention to the innocent caught in the crosshairs of war; political leaders seeking paths to peace, but who are stymied by powerful opposition; the grieving, the exhausted, the depressed; the displaced, the threatened, the unjustly persecuted; the sick and those who care for them.

Now hear us as we pray together the prayer our Savior taught us, 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.)

1 "Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, nev-er a-lone.
2 "Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure.
3 "Go, my chil-dren, fed and nour-ished, clos-er to me.

Wak-ing, sleep-ing, I am with you, you are my own.
Here you learned how much I love you, what I can cure.
Grow in love and love by serv-ing, joy-ful and free.

In my love's bap-tis-mal riv-er I have made you mine for-
Here you heard my dear Son's sto-ry; here you touched him, saw his
Here my Spir-it's pow-er filled you; here my ten-der com-fort

ev-er. Go, my chil-dren, with my bless-ing, you are my own."
glo-ry. Go, my chil-dren, sins for-giv-en, at peace and pure."
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CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

“Faithfulness”
in honor of all women and caregivers

William Runyon,
arr. Douglas E. Wagner

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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