

## CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**June 23, 2024**

**Livestream & In-Person**

**10:00 a.m.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

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\* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

**“Amazing Grace”**

arr. Craig Curry

*Virginia Harmony*

\* CALL TO WORSHIP (based on Mark 4:35-41)

Dave Studer

Leader: When the storms of life arise

**People: and the waves threaten to overturn the boat of our faith,**

Leader: remember the power of our Lord

**People: to calm, to still, to establish peace.**

1 How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,  
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,  
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als thy path - way shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

is laid for your faith in God's ex - cel - lent Word!  
 for I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;  
 the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;  
 my grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can be said than to you God hath said,  
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,  
 for I will be near thee, thy trou - bles to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign  
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 up - held by my righ - teous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 and sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.  
 thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no, nev - er, no, nev - er for - sake."

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Dave Studer

Leader: God gathers and prepares us for worship. Let us confess the sins that detract and distract us from God's path.

All: **Holy God, we doubt you and are people of little faith. When the circumstances of our lives overwhelm and the tragedy of the news leaves us lamenting the state of our world, we wonder where you are or if you even exist. Does the universe really bend toward justice? Does this justice include us and those we love? Does this justice include the innocent caught in the crosshairs of war? Forgive us, God, for the evils we perpetuate, the unjust systems from which we cannot see our way clear. Claim us and guide us in working toward the Beloved Community you so desire for us, where all your children live in peace.**

**Silence**

Leader: Christ has set us free. Claim your forgiveness. Rejoice in God's grace. Respond with love.

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

*(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)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

**"My Heart Ever Faithful"**

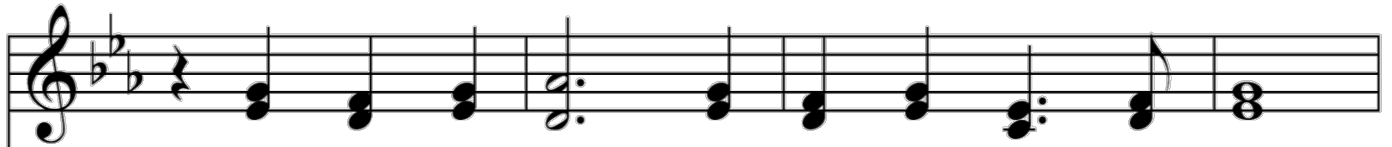
J.S. Bach

Women's Ensemble  
Dave Studer, Guest Conductor

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS



1 Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.  
 2 Be still, my soul: thy God doth un - der - take  
 3 Be still, my soul: the hour is has - tening on



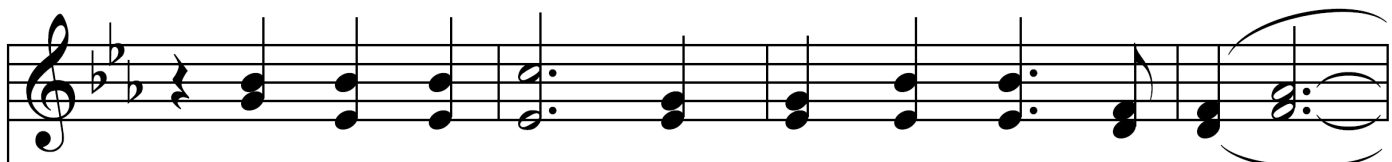
Bear pa - tient - ly the cross of grief or pain.  
 to guide the fu - ture sure - ly as the past.  
 when we shall be for - ev - er with the Lord;



Leave to thy God to or - der and pro - vide,  
 Thy hope, thy con - fi - dence let noth - ing shake;  
 when dis - ap - point - ment, grief, and fear are gone,



who through all chang - es faith - ful will re - main.  
 all now mys - te - rious shall be bright at last.  
 sor - row for - got, love's pur - est joys re - stored.



Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heaven - ly Friend  
 Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
 Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past



through thorn - y ways leads to a joy - ful end.  
 his voice who ruled them while he dwelt be - low.  
 all safe and bless - ed we shall meet at last.

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 4:35-41

<sup>35</sup> On that day, when evening had come, he said to them, 'Let us go across to the other side.' <sup>36</sup>And leaving the crowd behind, they took him with them in the boat, just as he was. Other boats were with him. <sup>37</sup>A great gale arose, and the waves beat into the boat, so that the boat was already being swamped. <sup>38</sup>But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion; and they woke him up and said to him, 'Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?' <sup>39</sup>He woke up and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, 'Peace! Be still!' Then the wind ceased, and there was a dead calm. <sup>40</sup>He said to them, 'Why are you afraid? Have you still no faith?' <sup>41</sup>And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, 'Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?'

SERMON

***Faith or Fear?***

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

\* SONG

**"Jesus"**

Chris Tomlin & Ed Cash

There is a truth older than the ages  
There is a promise of things yet to come  
There is One born for our salvation: Jesus  
There is light that overwhelms the darkness  
There is kingdom that forever reigns  
There is freedom from the chains that bind us: Jesus, Jesus  
Who walks on the waters, who speaks to the sea  
Who stands in the fire beside me.  
He roars like a Lion, He bled as the Lamb,  
He carries my healing in His hands: Jesus  
There is a name I call in times of trouble.  
There is a song that comforts in the night  
There is a voice that calms the storm that rages  
He is Jesus, Jesus.  
Who walks on the waters, who speaks to the sea  
Who stands in the fire beside me.  
He roars like a Lion, He bled as the Lamb,  
He carries my healing in His hands: Jesus  
Messiah, my Savior, there is power in Your name  
You're my Rock and my Redeemer  
There is power in Your name, in Your name  
You walk on the water, You speak to the sea  
You stand in the fire beside me  
You roar like a Lion, You bled as the Lamb  
You carry my healing in Your hands  
God, You walk on the water, You speak to the sea  
You stand in the fire beside me  
You roar like a Lion, You bled as the Lamb  
You carry my healing in Your hands  
Jesus, there is no one like you, Jesus  
There is no one like You

## OFFERING AND PRAYER

### OFFERTORY

### “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

arr. Smith & Hustad

Kathy Phillips, piano  
Rick Schlosser, organ

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: God of mercy, the suffering of our world is overwhelming. Innocents are killed by the bombs of war. Terrorists hold hostages. Dictators use political manipulation and violence to hoard power. Guns in the hands of broken people continue to destroy lives. All this suffering leads us to ask, like Job, “Why?” and “Where are you?”

Even as we suffer, God, we recognize the many ways you show up for us, the many ways you offer comfort, support, and care. We, like Job, are humbled before you. We do not and cannot know your ways. We do not know the plan and the path you intend for us or our world. So we bow before you, humbly, reverently, to lift our prayers for all who suffer. In your mercy, God, hear our prayers.

We pray for those caught in the cycle of violence, the victims and the perpetrators, that all may find their way to peace.

We pray for those suffering from disease, that their bodies might find their way to healing and wholeness.

We pray for those suffering from exhaustion and burnout, that their spirit might be lifted, their purpose renewed, their energy restored.

We pray for those suffering from hopelessness, that their faith finds its wings, their spirit finds its way to soar.

We pray for mother earth, neglected and abused, that she is renewed and her flourishing respected.

Hear these prayers of your people, Holy God, and as the Body of Christ, hear us as we pray the prayer our Savior taught us:

**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

**“This Is Amazing Grace”**

Phil Wickham, Jeremy Riddle,  
and Josh Farro

Who breaks the power of sin and darkness?  
Whose love is mighty and so much stronger?  
The King of glory, the King above all kings  
Who shakes the whole earth with holy thunder?  
Who leaves us breathless in awe and wonder?  
The King of glory, the King above all kings  
This is amazing grace. This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place, that You would bear the cross  
You laid down Your life that I would be set free  
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me  
Who brings our chaos back into order?  
Who makes the orphan and son and daughter?  
The King of glory, the King above all kings  
Who rules the nations with truth and justice?  
Shines like the sun in all of its brilliance?  
The King of glory, the King above all kings  
This is amazing grace. This is unfailing love  
That You would take my place, that You would bear the cross  
You laid down Your life that I would be set free  
Jesus, I sing for all that You've done for me  
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\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

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\* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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