

# CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 7, 2024 Livestream & In-Person 10:00 a.m.

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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\* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE "Grace Alone" Scott Wesley Brown & Jeff Nelson

arr. Mark Hayes & Marvin Gaspard

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Kathy Lewis

Leader: We come from the day-to-day busyness of our lives.

People: We come with cares and worries, joys and celebrations.

Leader: Let us set it all aside and enter this time of worship.

People: May our hearts and minds be open to what God might say to us this day.

Leader: Trusting always in the Spirit to meet us,

People: let us gather to worship God!

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

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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?

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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

Kathy Lewis

Leader:

When we gather to worship God, we must first be honest with ourselves. We are not who God has called us to be as a people. We have not cared for others in every instance. We have made many mistakes. Let us unburden ourselves and confess our sins, knowing that God awaits to forgive and renew.

All: Gracious God, we live in the tension of what we are called to be and our lived reality. We often fall short of the good we intend and our growing in the likeness of Christ is painfully slow at best. Forgive us, we pray. Offer us the peace that passes all understanding that we might be forgiven and begin anew. In Jesus' name we pray.

## Silence

Leader:

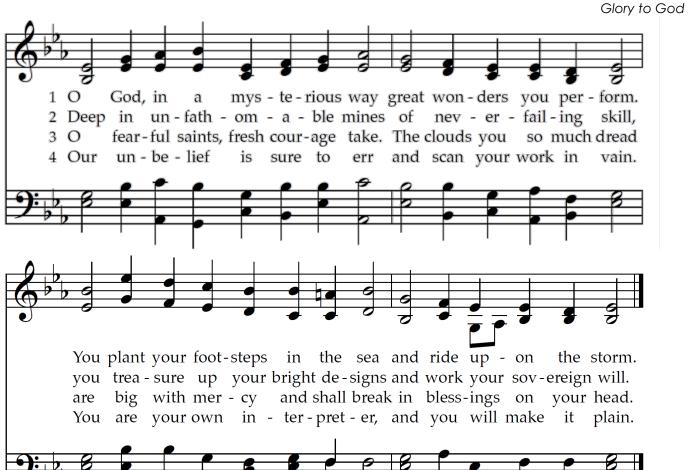
Hear the Good News! The old life is gone, a new life has begun. You are not who you were, may you live into who you can be. Know you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.



# 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.)



SCRIPTURE READING Mark 6:1-13

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. <sup>2</sup> On the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! <sup>3</sup> Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. <sup>4</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honor, except in their hometown and among their own kin and in their own house." <sup>5</sup> And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. <sup>6</sup> And he was amazed at their unbelief.

Then he went about among the villages teaching. <sup>7</sup> He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. <sup>8</sup> He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff: no bread, no bag, no money in their belts, <sup>9</sup> but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. <sup>10</sup> He said to them, "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. <sup>11</sup> If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave, shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." <sup>12</sup> So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. <sup>13</sup> They cast out many demons and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

# **THE LORD'S SUPPER**

#### 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.

#### 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

claimed 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 OF THE PEOPLE

If you are worshiping via live stream, place a plate with bread or crackers and a cup with juice, wine, water, or other common beverage in your home worship space.

Wherever you are, 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. Ushers will bring communion to the seats of those who cannot come forward.

## COMMUNION INTERLUDE

#### 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

Franklin Sheppard & Maltbie D. Babcock

Keith Atwater and Jim Wurz

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

Pastor:

God of grace and God of glory, you created the world out of your great love and you care for all that is in it. Hear us now as we share our prayers for your beloved creation.

We pray for the earth, especially mindful of the abuse it suffers under the hands of humanity. Guide us in better caring for our natural world and may all be filled with the conviction that we are to be good stewards of your creation.

We pray for the world and its leaders. May wars cease and may the lowest be lifted up. Guide those in power to visions of the greatest good and may they be guided by your Holy Spirit more than anything else.

We pray for our local communities. May they flourish and reflect your gracious view of the kingdom. Make us each bearers of grace and healing in our particular part of the world. May we be the beloved community you created us to be.

We ask for your special blessing upon those who are sick, suffering, or mired in grief, anxiety, and depression. May your Spirit lift them into health and wholeness and may you show us each how to be the hands and feet of Christ to them.

More than anything else, Lord God, we give you thanks for your care and provision to all. May we live in gratitude for the grace you have shared. It is in Jesus' name we pray, saying the prayer he 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.

#### \* CLOSING SONG

# "Carry Your Love"

Aaron Senseman & Cliff Young

We are called out; we are ransomed. We are not of the world we are in We are chosen; we are blessed to bring light to all God's children So Father, sow Your seed, give us life in community Wake us from our sleep. This is Your time; this is Your place And we are vessels for breaking

Under Your grace, we are led by Your Spirit You have redeemed us by the blood of Your Son Give us Your Word, we are eager to hear it. Ready our hearts to carry Your love

You are sunlight, You are morning, You're the hope of a brand new day You are comfort, You are blessing, and You wipe all our tears away So change us from within, render miracles from our sin Remind us once again, this is Your time; this is Your place

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## \* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

#### \* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "The Lord Whom We Love" Kurt Kaiser Congregation may join hands The Lord whom we love, whom we wor-ship and adore, we will serve through - out \_\_\_\_\_ this com-ing He\_ week. \_ it is\_ \_ who binds to - geth - er, and is who sends us he it\_ us a -God's peo-ple, be God's peo-ple. be A - men. part,

\* POSTLUDE

(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.)

## \* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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Organist: Rick Schlosser Piano: Gabe Bisho

Guest Drummer: Michael Lombrano

Guitar: Michael Schwab
Bass: Merlyn van Regenmorter
Vocalists: Karen Gray and Laura Leek

