

CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 13, 2024

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 22:3-5)

Brian Nordeen

Leader: God, you are holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

People: In you our ancestors trusted; they trusted you, and you delivered them.

Leader: To you they cried, and they were saved; in you they trusted and were not put to

shame.

People: God, you are holy. All praise to you, now and forever!

I'm casting my cares aside; I'm leaving my past behind I'm setting my heart and mind on You, Jesus. I'm reaching my hands to Yours; believing there's so much more Knowing that all You have in store for me is good, is good.

Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it And I won't worry about tomorrow, I'm trusting in what You say Today is the day!

I'm putting my fears aside; I'm leaving my doubts behind I'm giving my hopes and dreams to you, Jesus. I'm reaching my hands to Yours; believing there's so much more Knowing that all You have in store for me is good, is good.

Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it And I won't worry about tomorrow, I'm trusting in what You say Today is the day!

I will stand up on Your truth. All my days I'll live for You I will stand up on Your truth. All my days I'll live for You

Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it Today is the day You have made. I will rejoice and be glad in it And I won't worry about tomorrow, I'm giving You my fears and sorrow. Where You lead me, I will follow. I'm trusting in what You say Today is the day! Today is the day! Today is the day!

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Brian Nordeen

Leader: God is not far from us. When trouble is near, God is our help and our refuge. Let us confess our sins to God, that we might we receive mercy.

All: We know the commandments: You shall not murder; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother.

We are sure we follow them, but instead, we cannot let go of the things we think we need or what we think is important. We do not follow you, or love you, O God, with all our hearts, our minds, our strength. We refrain from giving our whole selves to you.

Forgive our disobedience, our lack of commitment, and our desire to focus on material things instead of on your will for us. In the name of our Teacher, Jesus Christ, who gave his whole life for the sake of the gospel.

Silence

Leader: We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness,

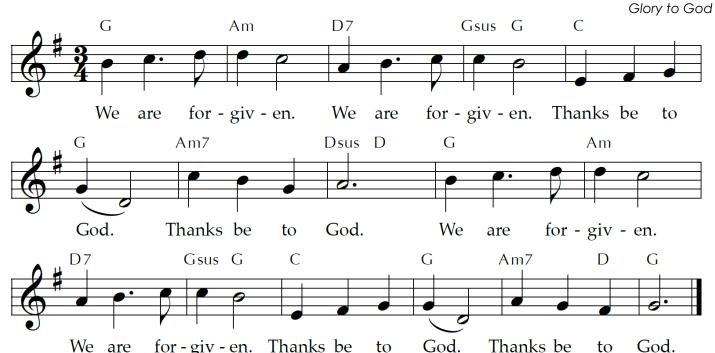
but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Therefore, you can approach the throne of grace with boldness, and you will receive mercy and find grace in your time of need.

People: In Jesus Christ we find the forgiveness we seek.



"We Are Forgiven"

No. 447



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 205 and 207.)

* SONG

"Let the Praises Ring"

Lincoln Brewster

O Lord, my God, in You I put my trust O Lord, my God, in You I put my hope O Lord, my God, in You I put my trust O Lord, my God, in You I put my hope

In You, in You I find my peace
In You, in You I find my strength
In You I live and move and breathe
Let everything I say and do be founded by my faith in You
I lift up holy hands and sing, "Let the praises ring!"

O Lord, my God, to You I give my hands O Lord, my God, to You I give my feet O Lord, my God, to You I give my everything O Lord, my God, to You I give my life

In You, in You I find my peace
In You, in You I find my strength
In You I live and move and breathe
Let everything I say and do be founded by my faith in You
I lift up holy hands and sing, "Let the praises ring!"

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 10:17-31

¹⁷ As he was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, 'Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' ¹⁸Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. ¹⁹You know the commandments: "You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother." ' ²⁰He said to him, 'Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.' ²¹Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, 'You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' ²²When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

²³ Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, 'How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!' ²⁴And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, 'Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.' ²⁶They were greatly astounded and said to one another, 'Then who can be saved?' ²⁷Jesus looked at them and said, 'For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.'

²⁸ Peter began to say to him, 'Look, we have left everything and followed you.' ²⁹ Jesus said, 'Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, ³⁰who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields, with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.'

SERMON

Upside Down and Inside Out

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

* SONG

"Almighty/Step by Step"

Wayne Watson, Rich Mullins, & David (Beaker) Strasser

Almighty, most holy Lord, faithful through the ages
Almighty, most holy Lord, glorious, almighty God
Almighty, most holy Lord, faithful through the ages
Almighty, most holy Lord, glorious, almighty God
Oh God, You are my God and I will ever praise You
Oh God, You are my God and I will ever praise You
I will seek You in the morning
And I will learn to walk in Your ways
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days,
I will follow You all of my days
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days.
And step by step You'll lead me
And I will follow You all of my days.

Almighty, most holy Lord, faithful through the ages Almighty, most holy Lord, glorious, almighty God **OFFERTORY**

"Fairest Lord Jesus Loves Me"

Keith Atwater

Alex Moborez, horn Keith Atwater, trombone

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor:

Good and gracious God, thank you for the many blessings and gifts you have given us, especially the gift of grace in Jesus Christ. Forgive us when we hoard what you have given us because we are worried we won't have enough. Help us trust in your promise of eternal life here and now, that we may live obedient, joyful, and faithful lives as your children in your kingdom.

Good and gracious God, we are grateful that Jesus looks at us in love as he calls us to follow him. Give us the courage to heed his call and to go where he leads us. Help us embrace the new life he offers, where the last shall be first and the greatest will be a servant to all, even as Christ came to serve us in love.

Good and gracious God, in world where there is great need, free us from our attachment to the many things that occupy us and demand our loyalties. Give us grateful hearts and willing spirits so that our lives and actions reflect the self-giving love of our Savior Jesus Christ. May we trust Jesus, who is the way, the truth, and the life, enough to follow him in your kingdom.

Silent prayers

We offer these and all of our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, who taught us to pray:

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

"Nothing Ever Could Separate Us"

Ben Calhoun, Jason Ingram, and Seth Mosley

No ocean, no valley, no mountain too high No power on earth, there's no distance too wide No height or no depth could keep me from your love. No failure, no weakness, no doubt in my mind No prison around me could keep You outside Not even death can pull me from Your arms

> Nothing ever could separate us, Nothing ever could separate us, Nothing ever could separate us now.

And when I can't see You still I know You're here
And when I can't feel You, Your promise is clear
Nothing I face can keep me from your love
My Savior, my Healer, my Life and my Hope
My Treasure, forever with you I belong
And even in death we won't be torn apart

Nothing ever could separate us, Nothing ever could separate us, Nothing ever could separate us now.

You gave it all to have me. You took the cross to save me.

Nothing ever could separate us, Nothing ever could separate us, Nothing ever could separate us, Nothing ever could separate us now.

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

"Today Is the Day"

Lincoln Brewster & Paul Baloche

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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