

# CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 12	, 2025	Livestream & In-Person	10:00 a.m.
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Click <u>HERE</u> to register your attendance			Pastor Keith L. DeVries
MOMENT F	OR CPC	Caregiver Ministry	Kathy Lewin
* GREETING ONE ANOTHER			
PRELUDE		"Minuet on 'Jesus, Lover of My Soul"	arr. Don Hustad
<ul> <li>* CALL TO WORSHIP <ul> <li>Leader: The voice of God resounds upon the water.</li> </ul> </li> <li>People: The Spirit of the Lord hovers over the stream. <ul> <li>Leader: The Son of God is named "Beloved."</li> <li>People: And all who worship shout out, "Glory!"</li> <li>Leader: Ascribe to the Lord majesty and strength.</li> <li>People: Let us worship God in holy splendor.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		Terry Sakuda	



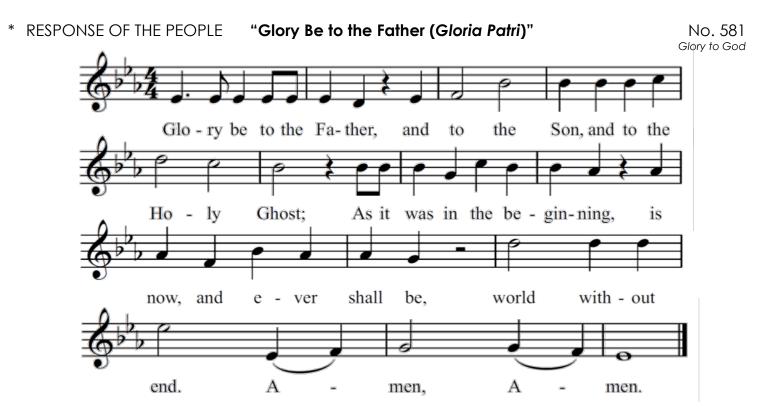
# CONFESSION AND PARDON

- Leader: God loves us and calls us each by name. Knowing we are eternally forgiven and infinitely loved, let us boldly confess our sins before God.
- All: We are precious in your sight, yet we often forget that we are your beloved. We confess that our love is fickle and inconstant. We follow selfish goals and deny that our way of life harms others and hurts your world. We are sorry and we want to change. Create in us a clean heart, strengthen our resolve, reconcile us to one another, and bless us with your peace.

#### Silence

Leader: Beloved, God forgives your sins; know that you are pardoned and be at peace to love the Lord and serve the world.

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!



## 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

#### "I Am New"

Now I won't deny the worst you could say about me But I'm not defined by mistakes that I've made Because God says of me

I am not who I was, I'm being remade I am new, I am new I'm chosen and holy and I'm dearly loved I am new, I am new

Who I thought I was and who I thought I had to be I had to give them both up because neither Were willing to ever believe

I am not who I was, I'm being remade I am new, I am new I'm chosen and holy and I'm dearly loved I am new, I am new

Too long have I lived in the shadow of shame Believing that there was no way I could change But the one who is making everything new Doesn't see me the way that I do He doesn't see me the way that I do

> I am not who I was, I'm being remade I am new, I am new Dead to my sin, I'm coming alive I am new, I am new

Forgiven, beloved, hidden in Christ Made in the image of the Giver of Life Righteous and holy, reborn and remade, Accepted and worthy, this is our new name

This is who we are now

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

<sup>15</sup> As the people were filled with expectation and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah,<sup>16</sup> John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water, but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

<sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, <sup>22</sup> and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

SERMON

#### Act of Solidarity

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

#### "Only You Satisfy"

Living Water, Bread of Life Satisfy us, satisfy us Living Water, Bread of Life Satisfy us, satisfy us Living Water, Bread of Life Satisfy us, satisfy us Living Water, Bread of Life Satisfy us, satisfy us Jesus, open up my heart Jesus, open up my mind Jesus, open up my life Jesus, 'cause only you satisfy You are the Christ, You are the blood You are the Holy Spirit living in us You are the truth, You are the life You are the bread; only you satisfy Living Water, Bread of Life Satisfy us, satisfy us Living Water, Bread of Life Satisfy us, satisfy us Living Water, Bread of Life Satisfy us, satisfy us Living Water, Bread of Life Satisfy us, satisfy us Jesus, open up my heart Jesus, open up my mind Jesus, open up my life Jesus, 'cause only you satisfy

You are the Christ, You are the blood You are the Holy Spirit living in us You are the truth, You are the life You are the bread; only you satisfy

## OFFERING AND PRAYER

OFFERTORY

"Baptized in Water"

arr. Larry Shackley

PRAYER SHAWL BLESSING

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

Pastor: Before we are born, before we do anything or make something of ourselves, before we make our first mistake or confess our first sin or fail majorly, you claim us, God our Creator, and call us beloved. We give you thanks and praise this Sunday for Jesus' baptism and for ours, for the sign and seal of your claim on us and the sacred water from which we emerge newly born in Christ.

That you come so close, Holy God, close enough to kiss our forehead with holy water and Holy Spirit, is astonishing. How can we comprehend a love such as this? How could we ever earn this amazing grace? You call us to you in love, O God, and send us to love others in Christ's name. Hear our prayers this day as we hold the weary and the suffering in our hearts and minds.

We pray for those recovering and rebuilding from hurricanes and natural disasters. Shelter and protect those who have lost loved ones and homes, God. Be their refuge and their strength.

We pray for refugees, for children and families, mothers, fathers, aunts and uncles seeking asylum, safety and opportunity. Your love knows no boundary or border, Holy God. Help us to love as you love.

We pray for the sick and their caregivers. We pray for first responders and hospital personnel. Give hope to those who are called to help and heal. May our world know well-being.

We pray for countries and communities struggling for safety and freedom. We pray for those without access to healthcare, food or shelter. Help us, Holy God, to dismantle oppressive systems that privilege and hoard. Help us build new and just systems for our collective flourishing.

We pray for those who, in this new year, feel helpless and hopeless. Remind them, Savior God, that the night is not night to you. Remind them, Covenant God, that you have called them by name, that they belong to you, that none of us is alone.

United as the Body of Christ we lift these prayers to you, Savior God. Hear us now, as we pray the prayer Christ taught us by saying together,

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.)

"Take Me to the Water"



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<sup>\*</sup> POSTLUDE

Audio/Video: Michael Gray and Noor Bitar Music Director: Keith Atwater Organ: Heidi van Regenmorter Piano: Gabe Bisho Drums: Will Condrey Guitar: Michael Schwab Bass: Merlyn van Regenmorter Vocalists: Karen Gray, Anita Lawson, and Laura Leek

