

Mister Rogers Sunday

CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

10:00 a.m.

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

March 23, 2025

"Won't You Be My Neighbor?"

Livestream & In-Person

Fred Rogers

It's a beautiful day in this neighborhood, a beautiful day for a neighbor.

Would be mine? Could you be mine?

It's a neighborly day in this beauty wood, a neighborly day for a beauty.

Would you be mine? Could you be mine?

I've always wanted to have a neighbor just like you!

I've always wanted to live in a neighborhood with you.

So let's make the most of this beautiful day, since we're together we might as well say:
Would you be mine? Could you be mine? Won't you be my neighbor?
Won't you please, won't you please? Please won't you be my neighbor?

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

Click **HERE** to register your attendance

MOMENT FOR CPC

Planting Seeds of Faith

Anne Parker

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

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* CALL TO WORSHIP Misty Dunn

Leader: Thank you, God, for gathering us here in your holy house-to sing and pray, to

speak and listen, to wonder and grow.

People: Teach us by your Word and fill us with your Spirit that we may go out sharing your

great love with all our neighbors in Jesus' name

All: Amen.

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me, Let me be singing when the evening comes.

> Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul Worship Your holy name. Sing like never before, oh my soul I worship Your holy name.

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing 10,000 reasons for my heart to find.

Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul Worship Your holy name. Sing like never before, oh my soul I worship Your holy name. Bless the Lord, oh my soul, oh my soul Worship Your holy name. Sing like never before, oh my soul I worship Your holy name. I worship Your holy name.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Misty Dunn

Leader:

Mr. Rogers said, "Listening is where love begins, listening to ourselves and then to our neighbors." It is time to listen to that voice within us that names our mistakes, the ways in which we have disregarded or hurt others. It is time to listen to the voices of our neighbors when we have ignored needs or done things that damage our community or our world. Love blossoms and flourishes when we can forgive and be forgiven. Let us pray together:

All:

Gracious God, we are listening and yearning for love, from you and with those closest to us and neighbors far away. Forgive us when we build walls around our hearts, keeping you and others at a distance. We build those walls because we are afraid to show our need or we have been hurt and want to protect ourselves. We turn away from the needs of our neighbors because they will take our time. We act in ways that hurt the earth. We dominate or discredit the lives of others because we care more about our own comforts. Help us build bridges of connection, gardens of peace, and playgrounds of joy and laughter where love and understanding can thrive. Hear now our prayers, deep from our hearts.

silence

Leader:

Friends and neighbors, hear the good news: We are living stones being built into a spiritual house. We are God's own people so that we may proclaim the

mighty acts of God who called us out of darkness into light.

People:

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God! Amen.



(Children are invited to the front of the church.)

ANTHEM

"You Are Loving, You Are Loved"

Mark Burrows

Sanctuary Choir & Waterfall Singers Clarke Stokes, drums

When the world keeps spinning 'round you, when you fear you'll lose control, Hold on for there are loving hearts reaching out to make you whole.

As sure as the ground beneath your feet, as sure as the stars above, Remember you are loving, child. Remember you are loved.

When the hurt builds up inside you, when you think you're all alone, Hold on for there are caring hands reaching out to guide you home. As sure as the ground beneath your feet, as sure as the stars above, Remember you are loving, child. Remember you are loved.

And when the joy builds up inside you, when it makes you want to sing, Sing on! For there are yearning hearts who will need the joy you bring.

As sure as the ground beneath your feet, as sure as the stars above,

Remember you are loving, child. Remember you are loved. Remember you are loved!

Following the anthem, children 4 years old through 5th grade are invited to Sunday School in Room 205 and 207.

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 10:25-37

²⁵ An expert in the law stood up to test Jesus. "Teacher," he said, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶ He said to him, "What is written in the law? What do you read there?" ²⁷ He answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and your neighbor as yourself." ²⁸ And he said to him, "You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live."

²⁹ But wanting to vindicate himself, he asked Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰ Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and took off, leaving him half dead. ³¹ Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. ³² So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. ³³ But a Samaritan while traveling came upon him, and when he saw him he was moved with compassion. ³⁴ He went to him and bandaged his wounds, treating them with oil and wine. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵ The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, 'Take care of him, and when I come back I will repay you whatever more you spend.' ³⁶ Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?" ³⁷ He said, "The one who showed him mercy." Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

SERMON

Random Acts of Kindness

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

Christ has no body here but ours No hands, no feet here on earth but ours Ours are the eyes through which He looks On this world with kindness

Ours are the hands through which He works
Ours are the feet on which He moves
Ours are the voices through which He speaks
To this world with kindness

Through our touch, our smile, our listening ear Embodied in us, Jesus is living here Let us go now filled with the Spirit Into this world with kindness

OFFERING AND PRAYER

OFFERTORY

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: O Lord our God, we bless you because you have promised to help and save your

people. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for neighbors who are in need. Help everyone to find healthy food,

medical care, and good places to live. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for neighbors who are in trouble. Deliver them from anything evil and

keep them safe from every danger. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for neighbors who are sad or lonely. Support them with your compassion

and surround them with community. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: We pray for neighbors who are sick or suffering. Pour out your healing power upon

them to strengthen them in their weakness. Lord, in your mercy,

People: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord our God, let your help and healing shine on us like the sunrise. Give light to

those who wait in darkness and guide us on your path of peace; through Jesus

Christ our Savior who taught us to pray 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.



* POSTLUDE "Prelude in D minor" J. S. Bach

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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