

CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 17, 2025 Livestream & In-Person 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

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* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE "Aria" Gordon Young

* CALL TO WORSHIP Brian Nordeen

Leader: The horizon is glowing, and God is doing a new thing.

People: We come to see, to listen, to be changed.

Leader: Jesus brings a holy fire to burn away what chokes life.

People: We come ready to be refined by love.

Leader: The Spirit stirs us from the bleachers of bystander faith.

People: We come to join the work of shalom.

All: Let us worship God – Creator, Christ, and Spirit – who calls us into the fullness of

life.



CONFESSION AND PARDON

Brian Nordeen

Leader: We are quick to read the sky for signs of rain or sun, but slow to read the world

for the signs of God's reign. Let us come honestly before the One who knows us,

loves us, and invites us into renewal.

All: Merciful God, we confess that we often stay in the safety of the sidelines. We see

signs of your kingdom breaking in, but we choose comfort over courage. We hear the cries of those in need, but we hesitate to speak, to give, to act. Forgive us, Lord. Set a holy fire in our hearts. Burn away our fear, our apathy, our self-interest. Refine us until our lives reflect your mercy, your justice, and your love. In

interest. Refine us until our lives reflect your mercy, your justice, and your love. In Jesus' name we pray.

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silence

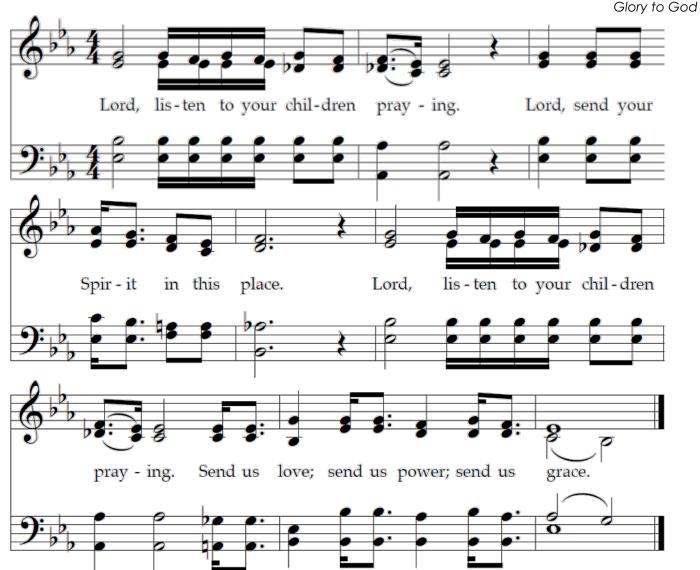
Leader: The God who calls us to action also calls us beloved. In Christ, our sin is burned

away. We receive new life by the Spirit's fire. Believe this good news:

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God!

* RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

No. 469



TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

(All children are invited to the front of the church. Afterwards, children 4 years old through 5th grade are invited to Summer Sunday School in the Upper Rooms.)

* SONG "Consuming Fire" Tim Hughes

There must be more than this O, breath of God, come breathe within There must be more than this Spirit of God, we wait for you Fill us anew, we pray. Fill us anew, we pray Consuming fire, fan into flame A passion for Your name Spirit of God, fall in this place Lord, have your way, Lord, have your way with us Come like a rushing wind, fill us with power from on high Now set the captives free, Leave us abandoned to Your praise Lord, let your glory fall. Lord, let your glory fall Consuming fire, fan into flame A passion for Your name Spirit of God, fall in this place Lord, have your way, Lord, have your way with us

SCRIPTURE READING Luke 12:49-56

"I have come to cast fire upon the earth, and how I wish it were already ablaze! ⁵⁰ I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what constraint I am under until it is completed! ⁵¹ Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! ⁵² From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; ⁵³ they will be divided:

father against son
and son against father,
mother against daughter
and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain,' and so it happens. ⁵⁵ And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶ You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

SERMON

Holy Fire on the Horizon: from Spectators of Suffering to Servants of Shalom

Rev. Kent Carter

There is a shaking, let hearts awaken
Our God is moving, forever changing us
There is a trembling, there is revival
The sound of worship so great and glorious
Holy Spirit, hear us now

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Like a rushing wind, send Your Spirit here
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Come breathe on us. Come breathe on us. Come breathe on us.

Lift up your hands and shout, the Lord is with us now
Lift up your voice and sing, He is holy
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OFFFRING AND PRAYER

OFFERTORY "Jesus Loves Me/Clair de Lune"

arr. Fred Bock

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.





1 O day of peace that dim - ly shines through all our 2 Then shall the wolf dwell with the lamb, nor shall the



hopes and prayers and dreams, guide us to jus - tice, truth, and fierce de - vour the small; as beasts and cat - tle calm-ly



love, de-liv-ered from our self - ish schemes. May swords of hate graze, a lit - tle child shall lead them all. Then en - e - mies



fall from our hands, our hearts from en - vy find re-lease, till by God's shall learn to love, all crea-tures find their true ac-cord; the hope of



grace our war-ring world shall see Christ's prom-ised reign of peace. peace shall be ful-filled, for all the earth shall know the Lord.

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

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^{*} Please rise in body or in spirit.

Audio/Video: Bruce MacLean and Noor Bitar

Music Director: Keith Atwater

Organ: Heidi Van Regenmorter

Piano: Gabe Bisho

Drums: Will Condrey

Bass: Merlyn Van Regenmorter

Vocalists: Tara Calderon, Beth Lindley, and Julie Ueltzen

