



## CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**April 19, 2026**

**Livestream & In-Person**

**10:00 a.m.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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\* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

\* CALL TO WORSHIP

Ernie Chard

Leader: I love the Lord!

**People: Because God has heard me and not ignored my cry.**

Leader: God has saved my life repeatedly!

**People: So my life belongs to God. I am God's child, happy to sing of God's work in me.**

He became sin who knew no sin that we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself and carried the cross.  
Love so amazing, love so amazing  
Jesus Messiah, name above all names.  
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel  
The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven  
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

His body the bread, His blood the wine broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn.  
Love so amazing, love so amazing  
Jesus Messiah, name above all names.  
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel  
The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven  
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

All our hope is in You; all our hope is in You  
All the glory to You, God, the Light of the World  
Jesus Messiah, name above all names.  
Blessed Redeemer, Emmanuel  
The rescue for sinners, the ransom from heaven  
Jesus Messiah, Lord of all. Jesus Messiah, Lord of all

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ernie Chard

Leader: 1 Peter 1:21 says, “Through Christ you have come to trust in God, who raised Jesus from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are set on God.”

It is because of our trust in the resurrection that each week we confess together the ways of our faith and hope have not been set on God. When we confess, we name our sins and commit to turn toward the life God calls us into again. With that in mind, we join our voices praying together:

**All: Merciful God, even as we proclaim the saving life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we fail to see the living Christ in our midst. We find ourselves preoccupied with our own well-being and success, forgetting your imperative to love our neighbor as ourselves. We turn away from systems that challenge our way of thinking, choosing to justify our actions instead of examining our intentions.**

**Show us again how to live a resurrection faith, a faith that sees life and hope in the midst of death and destruction. Transform our hearts so that where they are hardened toward you, neighbor, and self, they may once again be filled with love and moved to actions of grace and mercy. In your holy name we pray.**

***silence***

Leader: In Acts 2:39, Peter says, “For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.” Receive the good news, Children of God, we are forgiven.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

\* RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

**“Restore in Us, O God”**

No. 434  
*Glory to God*



1 Re - store in us, O God, the splen-dor of your love;



re - new your im - age in our hearts, and all our sins re - move.

SPECIAL MUSIC

**“For the Beauty of the Earth”**

arr. John Ferguson

Waterfall Singers

Quinn Seaburg and Evie Galbraith, soloists

Nancy Studer, director

Marianne Lowenthal, accompanist

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies,  
for the love which from our birth over and around us lies,  
Lord of all to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the wonder of each hour, of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light,  
Lord of all to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child,  
Friends on earth and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild,  
Lord of all to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise.

For each perfect gift of thine to the world so freely given,  
Faith and hope and love divine, peace on earth and joy in heaven,  
Lord of all to thee we raise this, our hymn of grateful praise!

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 Sunday School in Rooms 206 & 207.)*

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,  
2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right  
3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.  
the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,  
the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,  
and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,  
Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.  
his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.  
for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup> and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup> While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup> but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup> Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" <sup>19</sup> He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup> But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup> Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup> and when they did not find his body there they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup> Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see him." <sup>25</sup> Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup> Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" <sup>27</sup> Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup> But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup> When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup> Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him, and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup> They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" <sup>33</sup> That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem, and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup> They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" <sup>35</sup> Then they told what had happened on the road and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

SERMON

***Risky Conversations***

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

D A/C#

O-pen the eyes of my heart, Lord. O-pen the eyes of my heart;

G/B G D

I want to see you; I want to see you;

1 2  
Dsus D A Bm

to see you high and lift - ed up,

G A

shin-ing in the light of your glo - ry. Pour out your

Bm Em7 D/E A

pow-er and love as we sing “Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly.”

D A/C#

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly.

Bm G Em/D D

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, I want to see you.

## OFFERING AND PRAYER

### OFFERTORY

### **“Thine Is the Glory”**

George Frideric Handel  
arr. Mark Hayes

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

Pastor: God of Hope, we live in the tension of the world as it is and the world we know is possible in you. With hearts full of the promise of resurrection and hearts broken by sin, we turn to you, trusting that you make all things new and abundant life is possible.

We pray for those in positions of power: elected and appointed government officials, business owners and executives, school board members and administrators, parents and church leaders. May each of them be guided by your wisdom. May their power and authority be used to offer care and promote flourishing for each person under their protection.

For Christians across the world: we pray that our daily lives would witness to the risen Christ and that we would remember that we are one in the body of Christ when we are tempted by division.

We pray for those who are ill or suffering. Grant them healing in body, mind, and spirit. For those who are grieving broken relationships, we pray for relief and new relationships that bring abundant joy. Where there are systems that cause harm, we pray for lasting change so that reconciliation and restoration may be possible.

For places where war and violence are raging: we pray for mercy, for justice, and for peace. Grant your protection to those in harm's way: in their homes, in their cities, in their nations. We long for your kingdom to come on earth as it is in heaven. May it be so. We pray in the name of the one who was, is, and is to come, Jesus the Christ 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 HYMN

“That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright”

No. 254  
Glory to God

1 That Eas - ter day with joy was bright; the sun shone  
 2 He bade them see his hands, his side, where yet the  
 3 From ev - ery weap - on death can wield, your own re -

out with fair - er light when, to their long - ing  
 glo - rious wounds a - bide, the to - kens true which  
 deemed for - ev - er shield; O Lord of all, with

eyes re - stored, the a - pos - tles saw their ris - en Lord.  
 made it plain their Lord in - deed was risen a - gain.  
 us a - bide in this our joy - ful Eas - ter - tide.

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

“Trumpet Tune on ‘All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

arr. David Lasky

\* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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