

Parish Notes

Carmichael Presbyterian Church



May 17, 2026

Welcome to Worship

Welcome to worship with Carmichael Presbyterian Church. This community of faith affirms that every person has worth as a unique creation and child of God. As followers of Jesus, we strive to welcome into full participation people of every age, sex, race, color, ethnicity, culture, immigration status, political affiliation, economic condition, physical and mental ability, degree of neurodivergence, marital status, sexual orientation, and gender identity and expression. We rejoice in the diversity of God's creation.

This service is livestreamed for those unable to be physically present, and we celebrate that we can be connected to each other in different times and places for worship.

If you are visiting, we extend God's blessings to you on your journey. If you are seeking a home, we invite you to join us in the adventure of serving Jesus Christ in a challenging and beautiful world.

~Pastor Keith and Pastor Ivan

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Sundays at CPC

Worship on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary either in person or via live stream. You can also watch the recording of the service any time after Sunday. There are several ways to join worship services:

- Come In-Person: To help us be a more welcoming congregation and greet each other, please wear your name badge or, if you don't have one or can't find it, pick up a sticker name tag as you enter the Sanctuary.
- Go to the church website: <http://carmichaelpres.org/> and click on the "live stream" link
- Go to the URL: <https://www.youtube.com/@carmichaelpres/>
- Use the YouTube App or Smart TV: search for carmichaelpres (and subscribe to our channel if you haven't yet)

Sunday School for kids age 4 through 5th grade and Youth Bible Study will not meet today so everyone can participate in Youth Sunday.

Nursery Care is open for children age 4 and under from 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. in Room 102.

Coffee Fellowship is available in the DeVries Gathering Place following worship. Grab a cup of coffee or a cookie & enjoy fellowship.

Restrooms are available between the DeVries Gathering Place and Parlor and outside McMillen Hall. All-gender restrooms are located on the second floor across from the elevator and across from Room 206.

Let us know you're watching!
Register your attendance **HERE!**





Remember in Prayer:

- **Victims of Natural Disasters & Violence Worldwide**
- **Pastor Keith DeVries**
- **Marsha Cook**
- **Adalyn Holland**
- **Janann Poteet**
- **Bev Harris**
- **Len Tozier**
- **Odette Ledesma**
- **Carol Jones**
- **James Wurz**
- **Ron Morris**
- **Hazel Smith**
- **Bill Walker**
- **Jean Jones**
- **Don Cox**
- **Chauncey Hayes**
- **Julie Leporiere**
- **John & Kate Erlich**
- **Jan Hill**
- **Jeff Poteet** (Janann Poteet's son)
- **Sarah Cagley** (Allison Cagley's daughter)
- **Scott Crippin** (Paul & Lynn Shultz's son-in-law)
- **Wayne Williams** (former CPC member)
- **Marilyn & Bill Garwood** (Laura Garwood's parents)
- **Tracey Finck** (Kate Erlich's niece)
- **Amber Smyth** (Jimmi Mishler's granddaughter)
- **Mark Ostman** (Hal Millering's cousin's husband)
- **Jill Hesser** (former CPC member)
- **Jim Stochl** (Pastor of Harvest Presbyterian Church, Ceres)
- **Dennis McAllister** (friend of Carolyn & Gordon McGregor)
- **Bob & Patricia Ellsworth** (Kate Erlich's sister and brother-in-law)
- **Pete Fuller** (Bonnie Paxton's cousin)
- **Michelle Busath** (Carmichael HART)
- **John Buechner** (friend of Keith & Jenny DeVries)
- **Rachel Pollock** (Rebecca Parker's daughter)
- **Erika Heald** (friend of ElizaBeth Phillips)
- **Sarah Winston** (Laura Garwood's sister)
- **Becca Hugh** (friend of Bill & Misty Dunn)
- **Joanna Duthler** (friend of Cathy Wride)
- **Lisa Roppolo** (friend of Anita Lawson)
- **Laura Voelker** (Kate Erlich's cousin)
- **Marty Welch** (friend of Anita Lawson)
- **Eduardo Kioshima** (Dani Romais's father)
- **Nancy Marker** (friend of Beth Lindley)
- **Diana Jacks** (Terry Sakuda's sister)
- **Mary Patton** (Janann Poteet's daughter)
- **Linda Hopper** (Lisa Torgerson's mother)
- **Debbie Scott** (Mary Thomas's sister)
- **Charlotte Faith Syres** (Pattie Shaw's great-granddaughter)
- **Ben Hidalgo** (husband of Gail Ball's granddaughter)
- **DG Dela Peña** (Lynette Ledesma's cousin's daughter)
- **Brandi Rusniak** (family friend of Janann Poteet)
- **Jay Geha** (Bonnie Pearson's son)

All Church Picnic Today

All are welcome for an afternoon of fresh air, fun, and community TODAY from 12:00-2:00 p.m. After worship, grab a bag lunch, a water bottle, a chair or blanket, change into your park clothes, and head over to Ancil Hoffman Park for our All Church Picnic.

We'll provide water along with kites and sports balls. Come fly a kite, kick a ball around, eat lunch, and simply enjoy some good conversation under the open sky. You can also join Sara Petersen for a children's yoga session at 1:00 p.m.

This is a wonderful chance to slow down, soak up some sunshine, and enjoy the company of our church family. We hope to see you there!

Book Study

Join Pastor Ivan and the Mission Division for a book study on *Being Presbyterian in a Dysvangelical America* by Ted V. Foote, Jr. and P. Alex Thornburg. We will examine and discuss what sets Presbyterian/Reformed beliefs apart from the theological distortions being voiced by Christian nationalism within our culture today. Books are \$18 and can be purchased in the church office or at the class on Sundays at 11:15 a.m. in Room 202.

Pastor Keith's Sabbatical

Pastor Keith DeVries officially began his sabbatical on May 15. Please keep him in your prayers during this time of rest, refreshment, and renewing relationships. While he is gone, Pastor Ivan and a plethora of guest preachers will lead worship services. Pastor Keith will return on September 8.

Wear Red for Pentecost

Next Sunday, May 24 is Pentecost. Please wear red to worship as we celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit.

Swing Band Concert May 24

Don't miss the Carmichael Kiwanis Big Band annual Memorial Day Weekend concert at CPC on Sunday, May 24 in McMillen Hall!

This year, under the leadership of Michael Koons, the band will perform a concert of toe-tapping music in McMillen Hall after worship. Big band, patriotic, blues, and more—performed by 18 people from all over the county, including multiple singers! Invite friends to join you for church & afterwards for a wonderful experience!!



Stepping Stones Bible Class

All third graders and their families (and any older kids who haven't received a Bible) are invited to learn about the Bible, what's in it, and how to find it on Sunday, May 31 at 11:00 a.m. in Room 204. On June 14, students will receive their own Bibles during worship. Questions? Contact Michael Lombrano at 916-486-9081 or michael@carmichaelpres.org.

Caregiver Support Group

If you are caring for a loved one, you are invited to CPC's Caregiver Support Group, meeting the first and third Wednesday of every month at 12:30 p.m. on Zoom. The next meeting is May 20. For more information or to get the Zoom link, please contact Kathy Lewin at 916-955-4601 or kslewin@sbcglobal.net

Special Friends

Please pray for these folks whose circumstances often keep them from attending in-person worship. We list a few names each week.

Margaret Herman
Leon & Cathy Hodge
Dick & Carole Jacobi
Marcia Law

Opportunity Knocks Today

If you want to get involved and connected, but don't know how, stop by the Opportunity Knocks table in the DeVries Gathering Place today or contact CPC's Engagement Coordinator, Sharon MacLean at sharmac617@gmail.com or 916-213-4179.

Available opportunities include volunteering for a one-time job or event; an ongoing commitment; or maybe connecting with a fellowship group or Bible study. Grow in faith, build relationships, and connect with and serve our community and the world.

Women's Retreat

Join us for CPC's Women's Retreat September 18-20 at Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center in Lake Tahoe. Our theme is "Come to Me" and our speaker is Pastor Cathy Lovejoy from Shepherd of the Sierra Church. Sign up at the table in the DeVries Gathering Place today, <https://carmichaelpres.org/event/womens-retreat/> or pick up a form in the church office. For more details, contact Sharon MacLean at sharmac617@gmail.com.

Wednesday Dinner

Share a meal & conversation in McMillen Hall starting at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesdays. Enjoy a delicious dinner for \$7 per person, with a \$25 max per family and/or pizza for \$1 per slice. Youth Group for grades 6-12 meets from 6:30-8:00 p.m. and the Sanctuary Choir rehearses starting at 7:00 p.m.

Vacation Bible School Registration



Registration is open for Vacation Bible School July 13-17 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. each day! Our theme is Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God. Students in Preschool up to 6th grade are welcome. And, there are volunteer spots available for 7th-12th graders.

Kids will have time to sing and dance, worship God, hear stories from the Bible and bring them to life, do crafts that tie into God's magnificent creation, and of course, enjoy snack time!

The cost is \$20 per child, and scholarships are available upon request. Register at <https://carmichaelpresbyterian.breezechms.com/form/0789c36531> or scan the QR code Questions? Contact Michael Lombrano at 916-486-9081 or michael@carmichaelpres.org.





CPC's Mission

Responding to God's love through Jesus Christ, we:

- Welcome all
- Nurture relationships
- Grow in faith together
- Connect with and serve our community & the world

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This Week at CPC

Sunday, May 17 @ 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary and on YouTube
 Sunday, May 17 @ 11:00 a.m. Coffee Fellowship in DGP
 Sunday, May 17 @ 11:15 a.m. Deacons in Howard Crowley Room
 Sunday, May 17 @ 11:15 a.m. Book Study in Room 202
 Sunday, May 17 @ 12:00 p.m. All Church Picnic at Ancil Hoffman Park
 Sunday, May 17 @ 2:00 p.m. Kiwanis Band Rehearsal in Music Room
 Monday, May 18 @ 12:00 p.m. Book Club in DeVries Gathering Place
 Monday, May 18 @ 1:30 p.m. Food Closet Distribution
 Tuesday, May 19 @ 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting in Library
 Tuesday, May 19 @ 11:00 a.m. Companions Study in DGP
 Tuesday, May 19 @ 11:00 a.m. GA in Room 202
 Tuesday, May 19 @ 1:30 p.m. Food Closet Distribution
 Tuesday, May 19 @ 5:00 p.m. Girl Scouts in Room 202
 Tuesday, May 19 @ 7:00 p.m. Division Chairs via Zoom
 Tuesday, May 19 @ 7:00 p.m. AA in DeVries Gathering Place
 Wednesday, May 20 @ 9:00 a.m. World Relief in Room 109
 Wednesday, May 20 @ 12:30 p.m. Caregiver Support Group via Zoom
 Wednesday, May 20 @ 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Dinner in McMillen Hall
 Wednesday, May 20 @ 6:30 p.m. Youth Group in Upper Rooms
 Wednesday, May 20 @ 6:45 p.m. Companions Study in DGP
 Wednesday, May 20 @ 7:00 p.m. Sanctuary Choir in Music Room
 Thursday, May 21 @ 8:30 a.m. Men's Morning Fellowship via Zoom
 Thursday, May 21 @ 1:00 p.m. Mary Martha Circle in DGP
 Thursday, May 21 @ 1:30 p.m. Food Closet Distribution
 Thursday, May 21 @ 6:00 p.m. Food Closet Distribution
 Thursday, May 21 @ 6:00 p.m. Carmichael HART in Crowley Room
 Thursday, May 21 @ 7:30 p.m. SPAA in DeVries Gathering Place
 Friday, May 22 @ 10:00 a.m. AIA non in Howard Crowley Room
 Saturday, May 23 @ 9:00 a.m. County Work Crew
 Sunday, May 24 @ 10:00 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary and on YouTube
 Sunday, May 24 @ 10:15 a.m. Sunday School in Rooms 206 & 207
 Sunday, May 24 @ 11:00 a.m. Kiwanis Band Concert in McMillen Hall

Music Notes

The Waterfall Singers began in 2008 as a re-imagining of the children's Angel Choir. Waterfall met on Wednesday evenings to sing with Nancy Studer and then for fellowship and prayer time with Lisa Torgerson. Currently, Waterfall Singers is open to all kids in Kindergarten through 5th grade with rehearsals on Sunday mornings September through mid-May. This morning's Waterfall Singers songs include "Go Now in Peace," a blessing spoken by Jesus in Luke's Gospel and as a Hebrew benediction found in I Samuel. The composer, Natalie Sleeth, specializes in children's choir compositions, incorporating lively rhythms and memorable texts for young voices.

"Oh When the Saints" originated as an African-American hymn in the late 19th century, but has been associated with upbeat Dixieland music in more recent years, especially since it was recorded by Louis Armstrong.

Congratulations Graduates!



Congratulations to these students in our CPC family who are graduating from high school this year:

Lily Dron, El Camino High School

Emmerson Leslie, El Camino High School

Alex Moborez, El Camino High School

Elise Treon, Mira Loma High School

Josh Fuson, grandson of Arnold Fuson, Folsom High School

Dain Kelly, grandson of Ann Kelly, Centennial High School in Franklin, TN

Alexander John Myers, grandson of Barbara Hussey, Jesuit High School

Alia Perrou, granddaughter of Tony & Glenda Perrou, Bella Vista High School

Trey Turner, grandson of Alan and Barbara Bishop, El Camino High School

We also proudly recognize these college and continuing education scholars and their academic accomplishments:

Addison Bauer, grandson of Dave and Barbara McVey, B.S. in Aeronautical Engineering from Purdue University

David Gray, A.A. in Commercial Music: Recording from American River College

Kayla Allison Hussey, granddaughter of Barbara Hussey, B.S. in Political Science from University of Oregon

Tyler Keller, grandson of Darlene Little, M.S. in Computer Engineering from Colorado School of Mines

Giselle Lachini, granddaughter of Margo Scandella, B.S. from University of Washington

Ethan Leek, son of Jay & Laura Leek, Naval Nuclear Power Training Command "A" School

Maya Perrou, granddaughter of Tony & Glenda Perrou, University of North Carolina School of Nursing

Benjamin Simpson, grandson of John & Mary Simpson, B.S. in Oceanography from University of Oregon

Katie Tozier, granddaughter of Len Tozier, B.S. in Communication Design from California State University, Monterey Bay