



CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 11, 2026

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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MOMENT FOR STEWARDSHIP

Jami McCray

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 10)

Terry Sakuda

Leader: Praise the Lord! O give thanks to the Lord.

People: for God is good; God's steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Who can utter the mighty doings of the Lord, or declare all God's praise?

People: Happy are those who observe justice, who do righteousness at all times.

Leader: Save us, O Lord our God, and gather us from among the nations.

People: that we may give thanks to your holy name and glory in your praise.

Leader: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. And let all the people say,

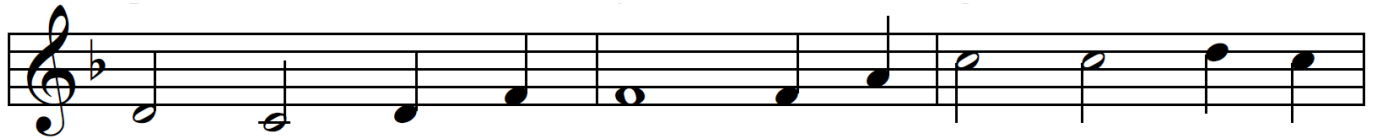
People: Amen. Praise the Lord!



1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your



end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to



cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in



to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,



rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Terry Sakuda

Leader: With great love for us, God who is rich in mercy made us alive in Christ, even when we were dead through our sin. By grace we have been saved. With that assurance of the gospel, let us confess our sin before God and one another.

All: **Almighty God, you call us again and again to seek your kingdom first, to do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly with you. Still, we make our excuses and justify in our own hearts why we go our own way. Lord, forgive our sin. Turn us from our preoccupation with our own lives and turn us to your ways of grace, mercy, love, and service. May we heed your invitation to be part of your kingdom and strive, through the power of your Holy Spirit, to live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.**

silence

Leader: Hear the good news! The night is far gone, the day is near. Let us lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

People: **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

* RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

"God, How Can We Forgive"

No. 445
Glory to God

3 Who dares to throw the stone to damn an - oth - er's sin,

when you, while know - ing all our past, for - give a - gain?

No more we play the judge, for by your grace we live.

As you, O God, for - give our sin, may we for - give.

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.)

* SONG

"Carry Your Love"

Aaron Senseman & Cliff Young

We are called out; we are ransomed
We are not of the world we are in
We are chosen; we are blessed to bring light to all God's children
So Father, sow Your seed, give us life in community
Wake us from our sleep
This is Your time; this is Your place
And we are vessels for breaking
Under Your grace, we are led by Your Spirit
You have redeemed us by the blood of Your Son
Give us Your Word, we are eager to hear it
Ready our hearts to carry Your love
You are sunlight, You are morning
You're the hope of a brand new day
You are comfort, You are blessing, and You wipe all our tears away
So change us from within, render miracles from our sin
Remind us once again
This is Your time; this is Your place
And we are vessels for breaking
Under Your grace, we are led by Your Spirit
You have redeemed us by the blood of Your Son
Give us Your Word, we are eager to hear it
Ready our hearts to carry Your love

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 22:1-14

¹Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ²"The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' ⁵But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. ⁷The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' ¹⁰Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad, so the wedding hall was filled with guests. ¹¹"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹²and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. ¹³Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' ¹⁴For many are called, but few are chosen."

* HYMN

"Give Thanks, O Christian People"

No. 644
Glory to God

1 Give thanks, O Chris-tian peo - ple, for work-ers of our day
2 Give thanks, O Chris-tian peo - ple, for lead - ers of our years
3 Give thanks, O Chris-tian peo - ple, for all who love the Lord,
4 Give thanks, O Chris-tian peo - ple, for life in fel - low - ship

who heed the call to ser - vice and make it their life's way
who live to share with oth - ers our joy when Christ ap - pears,
who live each day be - liev - ing in God's e - ter - nal Word:
with all who trust our Sav - ior their serv - ing to e - quip:

to go to feed the hun - gry, to tend to those in need,
to teach the ones who seek light, to guide the fal - tering feet,
to share Christ's love in liv - ing, to wit - ness with each deed,
to ease an - oth - er's bur - dens, to cope in joy and stress,

to work for e - qual jus - tice, till all God's folk are freed.
to lead the fol - lowers for - ward our liv - ing Lord to meet.
to use the tal - ents giv - en to plant the gos - pel seed.
to mag - ni - fy God's mes - sage and Christ's great love con - fess.

OFFERING AND PRAYER

OFFERTORY

“Jesus Teach Me”

Vicki Courtney & Bert Stratton

Chorus: Jesus teach me what I need to know,
Guide and lead me where I need to go.
In everything I say and do, teach me how to love like you.
Shine your heavenly light, touch me and open my eyes.
As I go through the day, Lord help me follow Your way. (chorus)
Lord, the sound of Your voice fills me with comfort and joy.
Now I know I must start listening with all of my heart. (chorus)

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Praise the Lord! O God, we will praise you as long as we live; we will sing your praises to our God all our life long. Indeed, we praise you, O God, for you are gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. You are good to all and your compassion is over all that you have made. May our mouths speak your praise, O Lord, and may all flesh bless your holy name forever and ever.

Sovereign God, before whom all nations rise and fall, we pray for the countries of our world, for the peoples of many different cultures and ways of life. May our common humanity and desires lead to peace among us all. We pray for our own country, that we may indeed be one nation, under God, with liberty and justice for all. We pray for our national, state and local leaders. Give them wise minds and compassionate hearts, that they may always seek the well-being of the people under their care. Even as we are citizens of your kingdom, help us to be committed and active citizens in the communities where we live.

God of all compassion, we pray for people who are suffering around the world — those who find themselves in dangerous places because of wars and ongoing conflicts and those who are dealing with the aftermath of overwhelming natural disasters. Lord, have mercy on all who suffer. Lord Jesus Christ, you came to earth as one of us, proclaimed the good news of wholeness, and healed people of broken hearts, lives, relationships and health. We pray for all people who are dealing with the struggles of poor health, unwelcome diagnoses, pending surgeries, intense rehabilitation and ongoing treatments. We also pray for their caregivers. May all be strengthened and comforted by the powerful presence of your Holy Spirit.

Thank you, Lord, for calling us to be your people and children, and especially for calling us to be your church in this place at this time. Help us to seek your will and kingdom first in all that we do, that people may see the light of Jesus Christ shine through us and our actions, that they may give you all the glory. Give us the heart and mind of Jesus Christ, along with his grace and love, that we may humbly share the good news of his life, death and resurrection and the difference Christ has made in our lives.

And now, as your beloved children, we are bold 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.**

* CLOSING SONG

“Who You Say I Am”

Reuben Morgan & Ben Fielding

Who am I that the highest King would welcome me?
I was lost, but He brought me in
Oh, His love for me. Oh, His love for me
Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes, I am
Free at last, He has ransomed me. His grace runs deep
While I was a slave to sin, Jesus died for me
Yes, He died for me
Who the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed
I'm a child of God, yes I am
In my Father's house there's a place for me
I'm a child of God, yes, I am
I am chosen, not forsaken, I am who You say I am
You are for me, not against me, I am who You say I am
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Oh, I am who You say I am. Yes, I am who You say I am
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* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

“We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise”

Kirk Dearman, arr. Mark Hayes

*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.*

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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