



# Carmichael Presbyterian Church

August 1, 2021

In-Person Worship & Communion

8:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

Trina Spivack

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Anne Parker

CALL TO WORSHIP

Anne Parker

Leader: Called to community,

**People: we gather with humility, gentleness and patience,**

Leader: bearing with one another in love,

**People: making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit**

Leader: in the bond of peace.

**People: Let us Worship God!**

HYMN

## "We All Are One in Mission"

No. 435

1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,  
 2 We all are called for ser - vice to wit - ness in God's name.  
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be heard.

our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.  
 Our min - is - tries are dif - ferent; our pur - pose is the same:  
 Now let us be a ves - sel for God's re - deem - ing word.

A sin - gle, great com - mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove  
 to touch the lives of oth - ers by God's sur - pris - ing grace,  
 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in call,

to plan and work to - geth - er that all may know Christ's love.  
 so ev - ery folk and na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.  
 our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Anne Parker

Leader: Before we can hear God's truth spoken in love, we must free ourselves from all that obstructs us from honestly acknowledging our wrongdoing. Let us examine our hearts and confess our sins to God.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Nurturing God, like a hen gathers her brood under her wings, you desire to gather your children. But division and disagreement plague us. We cling to rigid certainties, approach each other in arrogance and fail to listen. We walk away from conflict, rather than working through it. Forgive us, Holy God. Help us mature in faith and relationship. Help us build each other up in love. Amen.**

SONG & SILENT MEDITATION

Trina Spivack

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Anne Parker

Leader: Do not fear, says the Lord, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

**People: Thanks be to God; we are forgiven and freed. Amen.**

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 4:1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, <sup>2</sup>with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, <sup>3</sup>making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. <sup>4</sup>There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, <sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism, <sup>6</sup>one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

<sup>7</sup>But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. <sup>8</sup>Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people."

<sup>9</sup>(When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? <sup>10</sup>He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) <sup>11</sup>The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup>to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup>until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. <sup>14</sup>We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. <sup>15</sup>But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, <sup>16</sup>from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

SERMON

*Closing the Gap*

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

PRAYER OF GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE *(You are now invited to partake of the bread and cup.)*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

OFFERING

Bob Beckert

MUSICAL INTERLUDE

Trina Spivack

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Bob Beckert

BENEDICTION & BLESSING

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

PARTING MUSIC

Trina Spivack

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