



CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 6, 2022

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

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* CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 46)

Anne Parker

Leader: God is our refuge and strength

People: a present help in trouble.

Leader: Therefore, we will not fear

People: through the earth should change

Leader: though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea

People: though the waters roar and foam,

Leader: though the mountains tremble with tumult,

People: God's love endures forever.

649 Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound

1 A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, that
 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I
 4 The Lord has prom - ised good to me; his
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, bright

saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but
 grace my fears re - lieved. How pre - cious did that
 have al - read - y come. 'Tis grace has brought me
 word my hope se - cures. He will my shield and
 shin - ing as the sun, we've no less days to

now am found, was blind, but now I see.
 grace ap - pear the hour I first be - lieved!
 safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.
 por - tion be as long as life en - dures.
 sing God's praise than when we'd first be - gun.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Anne Parker

Leader: The waters of baptism remind us of God's amazing grace that overflows for us through Jesus Christ, who came into the world to save sinners. We are set free to love and serve one another. We know we are loved by God, so now let's confess our sin together. Let's pray:

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, we come to you in this season of Lent crying out to you. We cry out because of war and injustice. We cry out because of violence and oppression. We cry out for you to

save us, O God. We confess that we have sometimes been on the side of the oppressor, and have turned away from the cries of others, failing to recognize your image in one another. Forgive us. Call us into accountability. Call us into the work of reparation and restoration. Guide us into the work of justice, reconciliation, forgiveness, and healing.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: God is faithful to lead us in the wilderness to a place of hope and healing. Wander with God and follow God's ways. Be slow to judge, quick to forgive, and confident of God's forgiveness in your life. Go forward to repair and restore the world, and know that you are forgiven, and loved.

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

* SONG

"Nothing Ever Could Separate Us"

No ocean, no valley, no mountain too high
No power on earth, there's no distance too wide
No height or no depth could keep me from your love.
No failure, no weakness, no doubt in my mind
No prison around me could keep You outside
Not even death can pull me from Your arms

Nothing ever could separate us.
Nothing ever could separate us
Nothing ever could separate us now.
And when I can't see You still I know You're here
And when I can't feel You, Your promise is clear
Nothing I face can keep me from your love
My Savior, my Healer, my Life and my Hope
My Treasure, forever with you I belong
And even in death we won't be torn apart

You gave it all to have me.
You took the cross to save me.

SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 4:1-13

Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. ³The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread." ⁴Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone.'" ⁵Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. ⁶And the devil said to him, "To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." ⁸Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'"

⁹Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written,

'He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,' ¹¹ and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'"

¹² Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" ¹³ When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

SERMON

Rewilding Spirit

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

* SONG

"One Thing Remains"

Higher than the mountains that I face
Stronger than the power of the grave
Constant in the trial and the change
One thing remains. One thing remains

Your love never fails, it never gives up
Never runs out on me

On and on and on and on it goes
It overwhelms and satisfies my soul
And I never, ever have to be afraid
This one thing remains. One thing remains.

In death, in life, I'm confident and covered by
The power of Your great love. My debt is paid.
There's nothing that can separate my heart from Your great love.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

(If you are worshiping via live stream, place a plate with bread or crackers in your home worship space. Beside it set a cup with juice, wine, water, or other common beverage. With these elements we celebrate the shared presence of Christ that connects and nourishes our communion of faith.)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Pastor: Scripture says, "You shall not live by bread ... alone." So, what do you spread on your bread?

People: This bread is spread with the butter of compassion, and the jam of welcome.

Pastor: Jesus said, "You shall not live by bread alone." So, how do you serve your bread?

People: We serve this bread on the plates of plenty offered to the food-insecure every day of the week.

Pastor: Every Lent we hear, "You shall not live by bread, alone." So, who sits at your table?

People: All God's children, ones I know, ones I don't know yet. Even when I feel alone, I am never alone.

Pastor: Together in spirit we eat this bread and drink this cup

People: Bread alone is like eating a stone.

WORDS OF REMEMBERING

Pastor: We remember the stories of wanderers bringing first fruit in a basket to give thanks for finding a home, and we give thanks for our kitchen tables and our precious sanctuary, both homes and places we share. And we remember that

Jesus Christ sitting among those whose feet he had washed at the Passover table of precious and ancient tradition, anticipated betrayal and desertion, pain and even death, but made a new thanksgiving, a new hope, a new way for peace, a new Covenant, of blessed bread and poured wine on a global table, inviting us to always share from our brokenness.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING (*Psalms 19*)

Pastor: O God, the sky speaks your glory and deep space your creation. Daybreak announces hope and starlight, and sings rest in a language that needs no translation but closing our eyes in prayer. Nothing is hidden from you, and you make no barriers for human understanding. We are revived, enlivened, warned, and comforted. Beyond even the bright and sweet parables of our lives, you free us from definitions of relationship based in dominion and being dominated and you lead us to words of reconciliation and grace. At all our ordinary tables, may the bread of our mouths and the cup upon which our hearts meditate, be acceptable to you, O God. Help us eat always with compassion for the earth, with delight in the flavors of every people, and with generosity in sharing. Praise to you, God who delivers abundance in all our wilderness! Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

COMMUNION

(Wherever you are, in the Sanctuary or at home, partake of the bread and the cup)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Unison: 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; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

742 We Will Walk with God

Sizohamba naye

We will walk with God, my broth-ers; we will walk with God.

Si - zo - ham - ba na - ye, wo wo wo, si - zo - ham - ba na - ye.

We will walk with God, my sis-ters; we will walk with God.

Si - zo - ham - ba na - ye, wo wo wo, si - zo - ham - ba na - ye.

We will go re - joic - ing till the king - dom has come.

Ngom - hla wen - ja - bu - la, si - zo - ham - ba na - ye.

We will go re - joic - ing till the king - dom has come.

Ngom - hla wen - ja - bu - la, si - zo - ham - ba na - ye.

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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