



EARTH SUNDAY

CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 24, 2022

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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MOMENT FOR CPC

“Jesus Calls Us”

Presbyterian Hunger Program

* CALL TO WORSHIP (adapted from Psalm 18)

Rowan Haight

Leader: God is our strength, our rock, our fortress, and our deliverer.

People: When the earth reels and rocks, we call upon the Lord.

Leader: Our cries have reached God's ears,

People: And God reaches for us, drawing us out of mighty waters.

Leader: God delivers us because God delights in us.

People: God's way is wholeness and peace, a shield for all who seek refuge.

* HYMN

“The Climate Is Changing”

Winfrey Gillette

The Climate Is Changing

1. The cli - mate is chang - ing! Cre - a - tion cries out!
 2. We pray for the a - ni - mals here in our midst
 3. We thank you for peo - ple who trea - sure the earth,
 4. We thank you for lead - ers, cou - ra - geous and brave,
 5. You love this good earth, and you sent us your Son!

Your peo - ple face flood - ing and fire and drought.
 who can - not de - fend their own right to ex - ist.
 whose faith has long taught them its beau - ty and worth.
 who know that the earth is worth fight - ing to save,
 May we love our neigh - bors— there's work to be done.

We see the great heat waves and storms at their worst.
 We pray for the moun - tains and fo - rests and seas
 We thank you as well for the chil - dren and youth
 who care a - bout jus - tice and what they should do,
 May we, by your Spi - rit, do all in our power

We pray for the poor, Lord— for they suf - fer first.
 that bear the harsh foot - print of our hu - man greed.
 who look to the fu - ture and speak out the truth.
 who lis - ten to sci - ence and work hard for you.
 to care for your earth in this cri - ti - cal hour.

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Emme Leslie

Leader: No one is lost to God. All are welcome to be liberated by God's saving grace. Let's confess our sins before one another and the one who finds us, embraces us, and sets us free.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Creator, forgive us for our sins against you and your creation. Like Job in the whirlwind, or Jonah in the storm at sea, we are in awe of your power. We recognize that today's storms and whirlwinds are not your judgment on your people, but are natural systems distorted by our own sin and hubris. We turn from our sin and work towards a new creation, one in which all of creation is free to flourish. May your church be a place of resilience and hospitality, where all you created is protected and sustained, and from which we are sent forth to bring healing and justice for our neighbors.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Give thanks to God for all you have been given. Give thanks for the beauty of the universe, the trees, the sky, the mountains, the rain. All things hold beauty in themselves, and all are related to each other. God created the rhythm and pattern of the universe in a harmony of movement, sight, and sound. God has forgiven us through Christ, woven us into the tapestry of creation, and invites us to dance to its heartbeat. May we live with eyes, ears, and hearts open to such beauty. Amen.

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

(Following the Time for Young People, children age 4-5th grade are invited to Sunday School in Room 206)

* SONG

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Baloche

Open the eyes of my heart, Lord. Open the eyes of my heart
I want to see You. I want to see You

To see You high and lifted up, shining in the light of Your glory
Pour out Your power and love as we sing Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy! Holy, Holy, Holy! Holy, Holy, Holy! I want to see You

SCRIPTURE READING

John 20:19-31

¹⁹ When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰ After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹ Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." ²² When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

²⁴ But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. ²⁵ So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

²⁶ A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷ Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸ Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

³⁰ Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹ But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

* SONG

“See His Hands, See His Feet”

See His hands, see His feet, touch Him and know
 By those wounds, those crimson wounds, His love He showed.
 Oh, do you doubt that it was He whose hands were gently laid
 Upon the heads of children fair as close to Him they played?
 See His hands, see His feet, touch Him and know
 By those wounds, those crimson wounds, His love he showed.
 Oh, do you doubt that it was He who, walking on the way,
 Touched blind men with His healing hands, restoring sight that day?
 Do you doubt that it was He who healed and set you free?
 And when to heaven He welcomes you, He'll say so tenderly
 See my hands, see my feet, touch me and know
 By these wounds, these crimson wounds, my love I show.

OFFERING

FAITH STORY

Linda Hatch

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Christ is risen! Christ is risen, indeed! We join our voices with the chorus of creation, praising our God of resurrection glory! The trajectory of death has been disrupted. God's promise of a world made new, redeemed by Christ's passion, is worthy of trumpets, tambourines, and dance! We celebrate you, Savior God. We adore you. We approach you in prayer full of gratitude and praise.

Even though the lilies that adorn our sanctuaries are still fresh and our lives know happiness and joy, we continue to grieve the state of our world, the illness that lays so many low, the violence of war and the troubled spirits of those oppressed. Hear our prayers for peace, Redeeming God. Heal the rifts that break us apart. Humble the tyrants hell-bent on war. Empower the diplomats with nonviolent strategies. Protect the people of Ukraine.

Encourage us, God of grace, in our witness. May we not fear or avoid your call to shine and sing. Give us the courage to face our painful truths so we can participate in necessary and faithful change. Grant us the wisdom to learn from our past so we can help build towards your glorious future. Guide us in all we say and do, Inspiring God, so we can bear witness to the hope you offer and the path Christ has paved.

As the Body of Christ, hear us now as we pray as Christ taught us,

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

Please be seated following the benediction for a brief congregational meeting.

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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