



CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 21, 2022

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING MUSIC

9:45 a.m.

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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* CALL TO WORSHIP

Terry Sakuda

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

People: God is our hope and our trust. Praise the Lord!

* OPENING SONG

"God of Grace and God of Glory"

No. 307
Glory to God

307 God of Grace and God of Glory



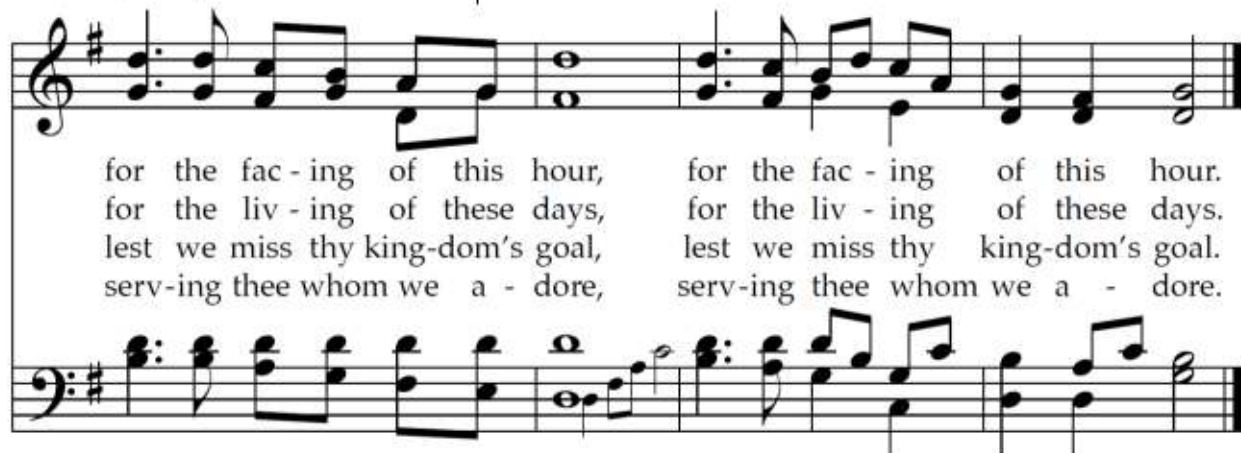
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our



bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Terry Sakuda

Leader: Our God is compassionate and merciful, knowing us with an intimacy we cannot comprehend. There is nothing we have done, or left undone, that is not already known by God. This gives us confidence to be fully ourselves, that we can be fully forgiven.

Unison: God of Life, you come to us as a consuming fire, and the one who has consecrated us before time. Your promise us a kingdom that cannot be shaken and call us to serve you with praise and thanksgiving. But we forget, and yield to fear. We trust in the tangible rewards of this world, and neglect your promises. We confess that we are a divided people; we foster separations and widen rifts in our families, our communities, and in the world. Open us to your healing. Free us from all that distances us from your presence. Give us your grace and inspire us to serve you with courage; through Jesus Christ who comes to save. Amen.

Silence

Leader: Promising forgiveness and the sustenance we need to amend our lives, God rejoices in our longing for wholeness. Give thanks that we have been known and forgiven, set free to live the resurrected life of faith.

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

(Children age 4-5th grade are invited to the front of the church at this time. They may return to their seats afterwards and are encouraged to participate in the remainder of the worship service.)

ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

* SONG

"In the Hands of God"

Furler, Frankenstein, & Taylor

We have raised our hopes and our cities high
We have followed fragile dreams,
But only One could take the measure of our goals
And we've stumbled over the trials of life
And we've wrestled the unseen, but only One can calm the storm inside our souls

In the hands of God we will fall
Rest for the restless and the weary, hope for the sinner
In the hands of God we stand tall
Hands that are mighty to deliver, giving us freedom
When our strength gave way to the weight of guilt
Till we strained for every breath,
Only One could lift our shame and make us well
And when all is finished and we face
The fearsome power of death,
Only One has overcome the gates of hell
You're amazing, You're amazing, You are
You're amazing, You're amazing, You are
And we praise You, Lord, for what Your hands have done
You're amazing, You're amazing, You are

SCRIPTURE READING

Hebrews 12:18-29

¹⁸ You have not come to something that can be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest, ¹⁹and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that not another word be spoken to them. ²⁰(For they could not endure the order that was given, 'If even an animal touches the mountain, it shall be stoned to death.' ²¹Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, 'I tremble with fear.') ²²But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

²⁵ See that you do not refuse the one who is speaking; for if they did not escape when they refused the one who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject the one who warns from heaven! ²⁶At that time his voice shook the earth; but now he has promised, 'Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heaven.' ²⁷This phrase 'Yet once more' indicates the removal of what is shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain. ²⁸Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe; ²⁹for indeed our God is a consuming fire.

SERMON

Let Us Give Thanks and Worship

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

* SONG

"Consuming Fire"

Hughes

There must be more than this
O, breath of God, come breathe within
There must be more than this
Spirit of God, we wait for you
Fill us anew, we pray.
Fill us anew, we pray

Consuming fire, fan into flame
A passion for Your name
Spirit of God, fall in this place
Lord, have your way,
Lord, have your way with us

Come like a rushing wind,
Fill us with power from on high
Now set the captives free,
Leave us abandoned to Your praise
Lord, let your glory fall.
Lord, let your glory fall

OFFERING

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Creator God, Hear our prayers of *protection* for the little ones climbing aboard yellow school buses, backpacks full of sack lunches, books and hope for the new year ahead. Shelter our young, O God, as they leave their homes and their parents' embrace. Guide them in their schools so their minds are filled with knowledge, their hearts with affirmation, their selves with esteem and confidence.

Hear our prayers of *provision* for the grieving, the lost, the lonely, the sick, the poor. Provide for the survivors of our world's violence, O God, who live and relive trauma. Provide shelter for the refugees and escapees of war, famine, devastating floods and wildfires. Provide food for the hungry of stomach and soul.

Hear our prayers of *protest* against injustice. Help us interrogate our systems and the leaders who build them, God our Judge. Help us expose bias and confront structures that privilege few and oppress many. Help us resist greed and empire-building, turning from temptations to overconsume, hoard and inevitably destroy.

Hear our prayers of *petition* for those we love and those in need, Great God, who we lift in silence to you now...

Glorious God, you deserve all our honor and praise. Grateful for your attention and your presence with us in prayer, hear us now, as we collectively pray the prayer Christ taught us saying,

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.

* CLOSING SONG

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

No. 700
Glory to God

700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2 I'm gon-na work so (work so)
 3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so)
 4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

God can use me an - y -

where, Lord, an - y - time!
 (an - y - time!)

I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na

live so (live so)
 work so (work so)
 pray so (pray so)
 sing so (sing so)

God can use me an - y -

where, Lord,
 (my Lord,) an - y - time!
 (an - y - time!)

* THE CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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