

## CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

<u>April 23, 20</u>	23	Livestream & In-Person	10:00 a.m.
PRELUDE			
WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Click <u>HERE</u> to register your attendance.			Pastor Ivan N. Herman
* GREETING (	ONE ANOTHER		
MOMENT F	OR CPC	Leaving a Legacy Workshop	Bill Dunn
* CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 19) Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims Go handiwork.			Clint Dahlke ent proclaims God's
People: Leader: People:	There is no speed	forth speech, and night to night declare th, nor are there words; their voice is not bes out through all the earth, and their wo	heard.
* OPENING HYMN		"The Climate is Changing"	Carolyn Winfrey Gillette

# The Climate Is Changing

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2021

St. Denio arr. Caniadau y Cyssegr, 1839



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#### CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader: As we continue our celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, we are called to repent, remembering that the promise of Jesus Christ is for us, for our children, for our siblings, for all who are near and far, and, indeed, for all of creation. Confident in God's grace, let's pray together.

All: Creator of the earth and all living things, Maker of the sky and the air and the breath of life, we are your servant people, created out of the earth itself. We forget that we are your creatures, and we play at being gods. We neglect the work of stewardship that you have provided for our occupation and our joy. We have used, abused, and abandoned those things that you have created for your delight. You have created a fragile world in a perfect and delicate balance. Thinking too much of our own importance we have upset the balance. We ask your forgiveness, Holy and Righteous God. We yearn to join the mountains and valleys, the rocks and the wild ocean waters in singing your praises.

#### Silence

- Leader: Hear the good news! New life is not only possible; it has drawn near to us in Jesus. The promise is for us, for all the children of God, and for all of creation.
- People: By the grace of God, the glory of Christ, and the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are forgiven and we are free! Together let us seek the good for all of God's creation. Alleluia! Amen.

* RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE "G	Sloria Patri"	Traditional	
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:			
as it was in the beginning, is now	w and ever shall be, world without end,		
Am	en, Amen.		

ANTHEM

### "Creating God"

Jeffery Rowthorn & Rob Sabino

Clint Dahlke

Sanctuary Choir

Creating God, your fingers trace the bold designs of farthest space; Let sun and moon and stars and light And what lies hidden praise Your might.

Sustaining God, your hands uphold earth's mysteries known or yet untold; Let water's fragile blend with air, Enabling life, proclaim Your care.

Redeeming God, your arms embrace all now despised for creed or race; Let peace, descending like a dove, Make known on earth Your healing love.

Indwelling God, your gospel claims one family with a billion names; Let every life be touched with grace Until we praise You face to face.

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

(Following the Time for Young People, children 4 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to Sunday School in Room 206)

#### "All You Works of God"

Chorus: All you works of God, every mountain, star, and tree Bless the One who shapes your beauty, who has caused you all to be One great song of love and grace, ever ancient, ever new Raise your voices, all you works of God

> Sun and moon, bless your maker Stars of heaven, chant your praise Showers and dew, raise up your joyful song (Chorus)

All the earth, bless your maker Hills and mountains, chant your praise Green things that grow, raise up your joyful song (Chorus)

Flying birds, bless your maker Beasts and cattle, chant your praise Children at play, raise up your joyful song (Chorus)

#### SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35

<sup>13</sup> Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, <sup>14</sup>and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. <sup>15</sup>While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, <sup>16</sup>but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. <sup>17</sup>And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. <sup>18</sup>Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' <sup>19</sup>He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, <sup>20</sup> and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. <sup>21</sup>But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. <sup>22</sup>Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, <sup>23</sup>and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. <sup>24</sup>Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' <sup>25</sup>Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! <sup>26</sup>Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' <sup>27</sup>Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.

<sup>28</sup> As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. <sup>29</sup>But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. <sup>30</sup>When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. <sup>31</sup>Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. <sup>32</sup>They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' <sup>33</sup>That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. <sup>34</sup>They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' <sup>35</sup>Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

SERMON

Emmaus Road Encounters

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

"Open the Eyes of My Heart"



#### **OFFERING & PRAYER**

OFFERTORY

**"Day of Delight and Beauty Unbounded"** Giovani Giacomo Gastoldi IN DIR IST FREUDE, setting by Paul Manz, Op. 21

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Holy God, we pray in ever-widening circles, extending the love we feel for those closest to us out into our communities, our nation and our whole world.

Through our prayers, stretch us to make a place in our hearts for those we do not know but who are known by you.

We pray for those we know: best friends, families, neighbors, coworkers – all whose joys and troubles affect us daily.

We pray for those we see but do not know: those who cross our paths on the road or the grocery store or the restaurant, those who are our neighbors but whose inner lives remain a mystery to us. We ask that your spirit dwell in our community, turning strangers into neighbors, giving people purpose and compassion. Help us to see past polite fictions to those who are hungry, scared or lonely, and in seeing them, love them.

We pray for those we see only in the media, siblings around the world whose stories get sold to us as the news of the day. Help us to see humanity behind the pixels and soundbites. We pray especially for those caught in cycles of violence and war, oppression and economic scarcity, persecution because of their religion, ethnicity or gender — all those who do not know what it is to be valued and cherished. Help us to feel the ties that bind all your children together to love as radically as you do.

We pray for those we do not see, the millions whose stories go untold, whose lives feel so far removed from our own. We pray for your people in every place and ask that you keep reminding us that no one is beyond your reach. Keep us ever hungry to know your people, not as curiosities but as siblings in Christ.

Expand our hearts, God, until we can hold your people inside them — all your people, all over the world, following the example of our Lord Jesus, who taught us to pray, saying,

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

(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.)



Geistliche Kirchengesäng

#### LASST UNS ERFREUEN setting by Hal H. Hopson

#### \* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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