

**Christ the King Sunday**  
**CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**November 26, 2023** **Livestream & In-Person** **10:00 a.m.**

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Ivan N. Herman  
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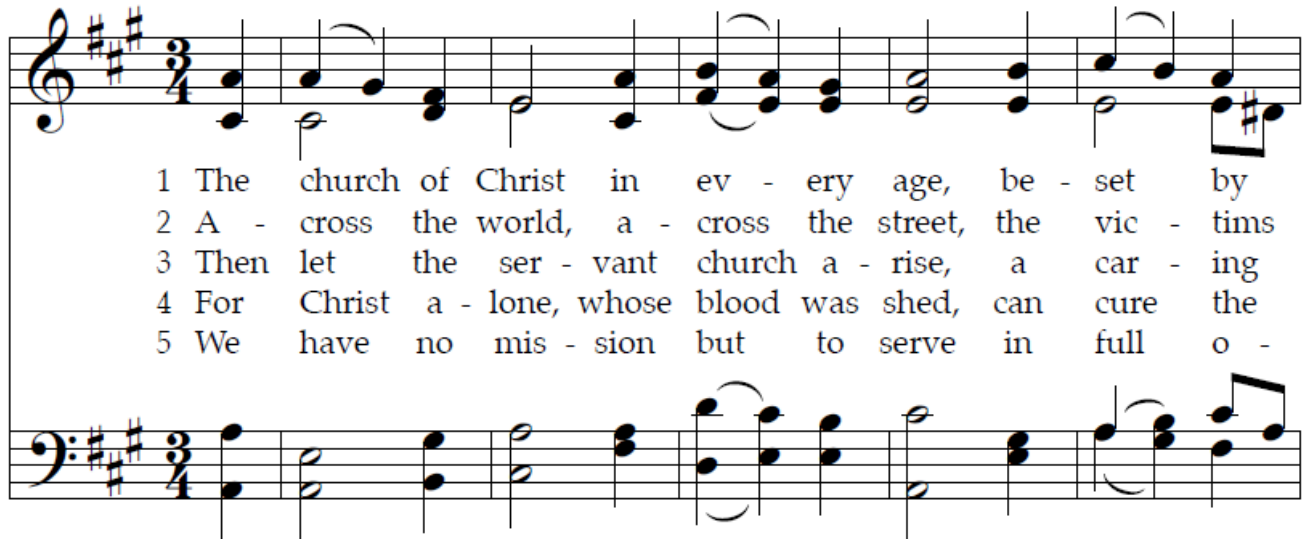
MOMENT FOR CPC Madrigal Concert Lisa Benadom

\* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE **“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”** arr. Hal H. Hopson  
 ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR by George J. Elvey

\* CALL TO WORSHIP Terry Sakuda

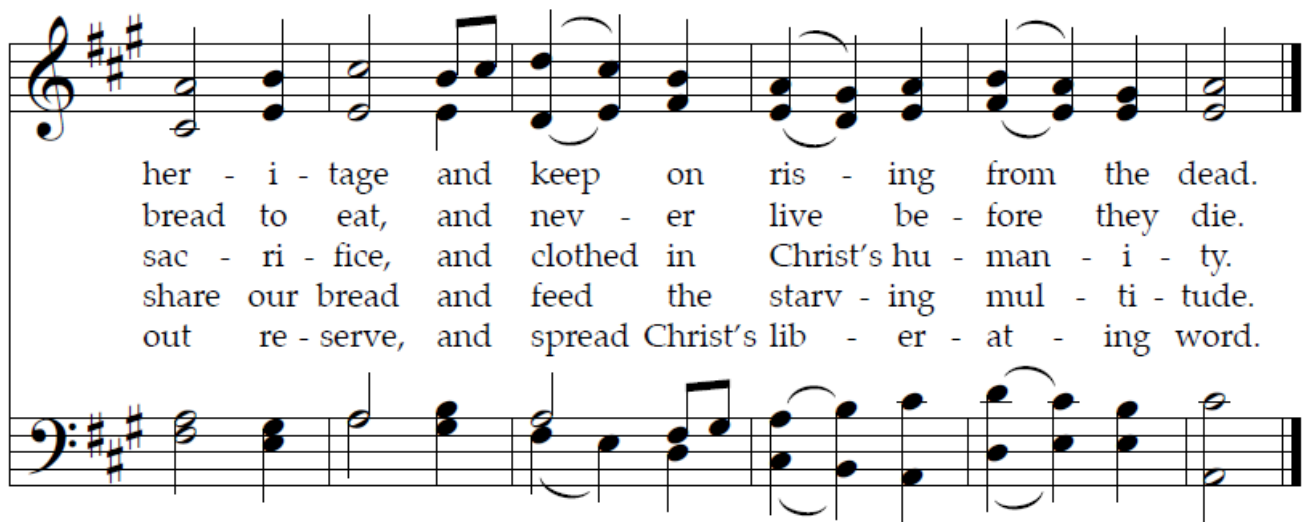
- Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.
- People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.**
- Leader: Know that the Lord is God.
- People: The Lord made us and we belong to our Creator; we are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.**
- Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving and the courts of the Lord with praise.
- People: Give thanks to God; bless God's name.**
- Leader: For the Lord is good;
- People: God's steadfast love endures forever and God's faithfulness to all generations.**



1 The church of Christ in ev - ery age, be - set by  
2 A - cross the world, a - cross the street, the vic - tims  
3 Then let the ser - vant church a - rise, a car - ing  
4 For Christ a - lone, whose blood was shed, can cure the  
5 We have no mis - sion but to serve in full o -



change but Spir - it - led, must claim and test its  
of in - jus - tice cry for shel - ter and for  
church that longs to be a part - ner in Christ's  
fe - ver in our blood, and teach us how to  
be - dience to our Lord: to care for all, with -



her - i - tage and keep on ris - ing from the dead.  
bread to eat, and nev - er live be - fore they die.  
sac - ri - fice, and clothed in Christ's hu - man - i - ty.  
share our bread and feed the starv - ing mul - ti - tude.  
out re - serve, and spread Christ's lib - er - at - ing word.

CONFESSION AND PARDON (Ezekiel 34:11-16)

Terry Sakuda

Leader: Thus says the Lord our God: "I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As a shepherd seeks out the scattered sheep, so I will seek out my people." Trusting that God is indeed seeking us, let us confess our sin together:

**All: Shepherding God, you have called to us, but we have not answered. You have sought us out, but we have continued to wander. You have tenderly gathered us together and cared for us, but we have not extended that same care and mercy to others. Forgive us. Remind us. Teach us. Set us free from sin that we might turn toward your love and justice for the whole world. Guide us so that, tentative step after tentative step, we may walk your way.**

**Silence**

Leader: Thus says the Lord our God: "I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak."

**People: The relentless grace of Jesus Christ always finds and forgives us. Thanks be to our ever-seeking God!**

\* RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE "Glory Be to the Father (*Gloria Patri*)"

No. 581  
*Glory to God*

Glo - ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the

Ho - ly Ghost; As it was in the be - gin-ning, is

now, and e - ver shall be, world with - out

end. A - men, A - men.

ANTHEM

**“Praise to the Lord”**

arr. Hal. H. Hopson

Sanctuary Choir & Mission Bells

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,  
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been  
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,  
Surely God's goodness here daily attend thee  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
If with God's love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the Amen sound from His people again;  
Gladly forever adore Him.

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

*(Children are invited to the front of the church.  
Afterwards, children 4 years old through 5th grade  
are invited to Sunday School in Room 207.)*

SPECIAL MUSIC

**“Grace and Thanksgiving”**

arr. Anna Laura Page

with “Amazing Grace” and “We Gather Together”

Mission Bells

Rick Schlosser, Interim Director

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25:31-46

<sup>31</sup> 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. <sup>32</sup>All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, <sup>33</sup>and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; <sup>35</sup>for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." <sup>37</sup>Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? <sup>38</sup>And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? <sup>39</sup>And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" <sup>40</sup>And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." <sup>41</sup>Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; <sup>42</sup>for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." <sup>44</sup>Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" <sup>45</sup>Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." <sup>46</sup>And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

SERMON

***Simple Acts of Kindness***

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

\* SONG

**"Carry Your Love"**

Aaron Senseman & Cliff Young

We are called out; we are ransomed  
We are not of the world we are in  
We are chosen; we are blessed to bring light to all God's children  
So Father, sow Your seed, give us life in community  
Wake us from our sleep. This is Your time;  
This is Your place and we are vessels for breaking  
Under Your grace, we are led by Your Spirit  
You have redeemed us by the blood of Your Son  
Give us Your Word, we are eager to hear it  
Ready our hearts to carry Your love  
You are sunlight, You are morning  
You're the hope of a brand new day  
You are comfort, You are blessing  
And You wipe all our tears away  
So change us from within, render miracles from our sin  
Remind us once again this is Your time;  
This is Your place and we are vessels for breaking

## OFFERING AND PRAYER

### OFFERTORY

### **“Day Dreams/Sugar Foot Rag Medley”**

Nell Treon & Carol Honnold, piano

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

Pastor: God, our judge and our redeemer, we give you thanks this day for the ways you have blessed our lives with abundance: for feasts and gatherings with family and friends; for traveling mercies over this holiday weekend; for days off from school and work; for warm homes, warm smiles, warm hearts.

Christ, our teacher and our companion, we lift up to you those people and places in our world who are suffering this morning: for creation, groaning under the weight of a changing climate; for people living in places of war and violence, especially Ukraine, Israel, and Gaza; for people who are hungry, thirsty, homeless, in prison, or in immigration detention centers; for all those who have spent Thanksgiving sick, grieving, or lonely.

Holy Spirit, our comforter and our provoker, empower us to work toward your saving purposes in the world: to feed, clothe, and welcome people who lack life's basic necessities; to embrace the ones our world calls untouchable; to lift our voices in the public square for those whose voices are disregarded and silenced; and to pursue justice and peace in our personal relationships, our communities, and the whole of your world.

God, we lift up to you all these and the many more thanksgivings and petitions spilling out of our hearts this morning, as we pray the prayer Jesus taught

**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. 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.)*

\* CLOSING SONG

“The Servant Song”

Richard Gillard



1. Will you let me be your ser - vant. Let me be as Christ to you?
2. We are pil - grims on a jour - ney. We're to geth - er on the road.
3. I will hold the Christ - light for you In the night time of your fear.
4. I will weep when you are weep - ing, When you laugh I'll laugh with you.
5. When we sing to God in heav - en, we shall find such har - mo - ny;
6. Will you let me be your ser - vant. Let me be as Christ to you.



- Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my ser - vant, too.  
We are here to help each oth - er Walk the mile and bear the load.  
I will hold my hand out to you, Speak the peace you long to hear.  
I will share your joy and sor - row Till we've seen this jour - ney through.  
Born of all we've known to - geth - er, of Christ's love and ag - o - ny.  
Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my serv - ant too.

\* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

\* POSTLUDE

\* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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Guitar: Michael Schwab

Bass: Merlyn van Regenmorter

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