



CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 5, 2023

Livestream & In-Person

10:00 a.m.

SLIDESHOW: SAINTS OF GOD – PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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MOMENT FOR CPC

Centennial Gala

Monica Dahlberg

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

PRELUDE

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Anita Lawson

Leader: Come, all who are weary from the past week.

People: We come seeking rest; We come seeking comfort.

Leader: Come, all who are in need of inspiration for the week ahead.

People: We come seeking God's truth, word and worship that will set us on the faithful path.

Leader: Come, all who are humble, open, and ready to learn.

People: We come as God's students, ready to listen and learn.

“Today We All Are Called to Be Disciples”

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in a 4/4 time signature with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are arranged in four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics describe the call to discipleship and the mission of the church.

1 To - day we all are called to be dis - ci - ples of the
 2 God made the world and at its birth or - dained our hu - man
 3 Pray jus - tice may come roll - ing down as in a might - y
 4 May we in ser - vice to our God act out the liv - ing

Lord, to help to set the cap - tive free, make
 race to live as stew - ards of the earth, re -
 stream, with righ - teous - ness in field and town to
 word, and walk the road the saints have trod till

plow - share out of sword, to feed the hun - gry, quench their
 spond - ing to God's grace. But we are vain and sad - ly
 cleanse us and re - deem. For God is long - ing to re -
 all have seen and heard. As stew - ards of the earth may

thirst, make love and peace our fast, to serve the
 proud; we sow not peace but strife. Our dis - cord
 store an earth where con - flicts cease, a world that
 we give thanks in one ac - cord to God who

poor and home - less first, our ease and com - fort last.
 spreads a dead - ly cloud that threat - ens all of life.
 was cre - at - ed for a har - mo - ny of peace.
 calls us all to be dis - ci - ples of the Lord.

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Anita Lawson

Leader: Confession requires a humble heart. Let us bow before our God to honestly confess our sins.

All: **God our teacher, we often exalt ourselves while evaluating and judging others. We assume too much and don't invest enough in listening, learning, and seeking to understand. You call us to humility, yet we resist, puffing ourselves up with prideful arrogance and rigid certainty. Forgive us, soften our hearts, and open our minds to all we have yet to learn.**

Silence

Leader: "Your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out."
Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

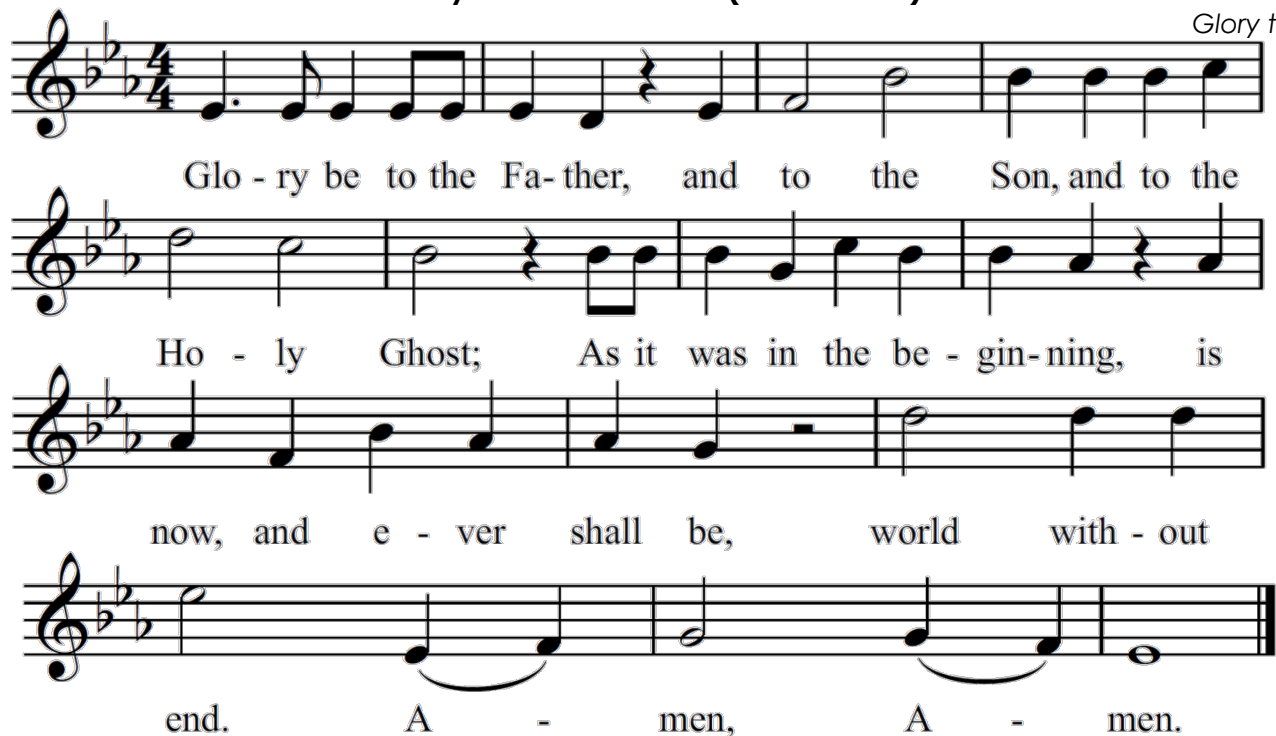
Isaiah 6:7

People: **Amen.**

* 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.

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

(Children are invited to the front of the church. Afterwards, they may return to their seats to participate in the remainder of worship and Communion.)

* SONG

"How Great Is Our God"

Chris Tomlin, Jesse Reeves, & Ed Cash

The splendor of the King clothed in majesty; Let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice
He wraps Himself in light and darkness tries to hide a
And trembles at His voice, trembles at His voice
How great is our God, sing with me, How great is our God, and all will see
How great, how great is our God

Age to age He stands, and time is in His hands.
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End

The Godhead, Three in One; Father, Spirit, Son. The Lion and the Lamb, Lion and the Lamb
Name above all names, worthy of all praise. My heart will sing how great is our God

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 23:1-12

¹Then Jesus said to the crowds and to his disciples, ²The scribes and the Pharisees sit on Moses' seat; ³therefore, do whatever they teach you and follow it; but do not do as they do, for they do not practice what they teach. ⁴They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move them. ⁵They do all their deeds to be seen by others; for they make their phylacteries broad and their fringes long. ⁶They love to have the place of honor at banquets and the best seats in the synagogues, ⁷and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have people call them rabbi. ⁸But you are not to be called rabbi, for you have one teacher, and you are all students. ⁹And call no one your father on earth, for you have one Father—the one in heaven. ¹⁰Nor are you to be called instructors, for you have one instructor, the Messiah. ¹¹The greatest among you will be your servant. ¹²All who exalt themselves will be humbled, and all who humble themselves will be exalted.

SERMON

Do As I Say, Not As I Do

Pastor Keith L. DeVries

* SONG

"Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation"

No. 503
Glory to God

1 Lord, we have come at your own in - vi - ta - tion,
 2 Here, at your ta - ble, con - firm our in - ten - tion;
 3 When, at your ta - ble, each time of re - turn - ing,

cho - sen by you, to be count - ed your friends;
 give it your seal of for - give - ness and grace;
 vows are re - newed and our cour - age re - stored,

yours is the strength that sus - tains ded - i - ca - tion;
 teach us to serve with - out pride or pre - ten - sion,
 may we in - creas - ing - ly glo - ry in learn - ing

ours, a com - mit - ment we know nev - er ends.
 Lord, in your king - dom, what - ev - er our place.
 all that it means to ac - cept you as Lord.

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 THE TABLE

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, eternal God. Your Spirit hovered over the waters and brought forth all creation. You breathed into us the breath of life and set us on the earth to praise and serve you. When we lost our way, you called us back, then sent your own Son to save us.

Therefore, we praise you, joining our voices with choirs of angels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:

People: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Pastor: When Jesus was at table with his disciples he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them, saying: Take, eat. Whenever you do this, remember me. In the same way he took and poured the cup, saying: Take and drink. Whenever you do this, remember me.

Now whenever we eat and drink at this table, we celebrate Christ's death and resurrection until he comes again.

Remembering all your mighty and merciful acts, we take this bread and this cup from the gifts you have given us and celebrate with joy the redemption won for us in Jesus Christ. Accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving as a living and holy offering of ourselves, that our lives may proclaim the One crucified and risen.

Christ is the bread of life.

People: When we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the saving death of our risen Lord until he comes in glory.

Pastor: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and juice. Unite us with Christ and with all who trust in him, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(Wherever you are, in the Sanctuary or at home, you are invited to partake of the bread and the cup. To commemorate World Communion Sunday, the communion elements include breads from around the world. If you are worshipping in person, please come down the center aisle to receive the communion elements; partake and return to your seat using the side aisles. Servers will bring communion to the seats of those who cannot come forward.)

COMMUNION SONG

“You Are My King”

Billy J. Foote

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Pastor: Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and juice. Unite us with Christ and with all who trust in him, that we may be one in ministry in every place. As this bread is Christ's body for us, send us out to be the body of Christ in the world.

People: Amen.

OFFERING AND DEDICATION OF OUR 2024 PLEDGES

UNISON PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: God, you call us to Christ's mission and ministry. Bless these gifts and pledges, that they might spread the hope of your good news, feed the hungry, shelter the poor, comfort the suffering, and free the captives. Bless us, so that our lives conform to the radical love and faithful humility of Jesus Christ. Bless us as we continue the ministry of the faithful saints of Jesus Christ that began here 100 years ago as we give thanks for the “Saints of God—Past, Present, and Future.” And may you bless us in our common ministry, as we bear witness to the love of Jesus Christ that goes before us into the next century. Amen.

OFFERTORY

“In Thee Is Gladness”

Paul Manz, Op. 21

IN DIR IST FREUDE by Giovanni G. Gastoldi

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Eternal God, we gather as Christians, who love each other and love this world. Our hearts are burdened by the violence we witness in nations far away and in neighborhoods close to home. We grieve when your people suffer, and your peaceable kingdom seems like an impossible dream. It's just too much, at times, O God. We'd much rather keep our heads down and push on, pretending that all is okay.

And yet, you call. You call us not to close ourselves off from the pain and the suffering of the world. You call us to stay human, to care for the suffering, to seek understanding and not dehumanize enemies as objects, easy to dismiss.

You know our history of complicated conflicts, tense polarization, and situations so politicized that we are afraid to say or pray anything. Yet we know you grieve the violence of war and condemn abhorrent acts of terrorism. As war rages in the Holy Land, we know you grieve the historical suffering of Jews and Palestinians. May our prayers for peace be uttered out loud for all to hear, our prayers for diplomacy, and for difficult, yet faithful conversation to resume.

God, we also groan in grief over the ongoing war between Ukraine and Russia. Pave a path toward peace in this tragic conflict, and all wars happening across the globe. Protect the innocent wherever bombs of destruction fall.

God of grace, even as wars rage, there is suffering close to home, as well. We pray for those who worry about loved ones and care for their sick. We pray for the exhausted, the depressed, the grief-stricken who we count among our friends and family. We pray for the poor and marginalized. We pray for the angry and overlooked.

Holy One, in a world so broken and in need of love, you do not leave us without hope. Your scriptures help us glimpse your vision for our future; a vision of our planet redeemed and renewed, a vision of peace and comfort where death, crying and pain will be no more. You are at work in our world making all things new. God our savior, we place our trust in this hopeful promise, even as we live, trying our faithful best to be Christ's body; his hands, his feet — sharing your love with others.

Now, as people of the church and the body of Christ, hear us as we pray together the prayer Jesus taught us:

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

"Give Thanks"

Henry Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son
Give thanks with a grateful heart
Give thanks to the Holy One
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son
And now, let the weak say, "I am strong!"
Let the poor say, "I am rich!"
Because of what the Lord has done for us
And now, let the weak say, "I am strong!"
Let the poor say, "I am rich!"
Because of what the Lord has done for us
Give thanks

* CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE **“The Lord Whom We Love”**

Kurt Kaiser

Congregation may hold hands

The Lord whom we love, whom we wor-ship and a -
dore, we will serve through - out this com-ing week. He it
is who binds us to - geth - er, and he it is who sends us a -
part, to be God's peo-ple, be God's peo-ple. A - men.

* POSTLUDE

“I've Got the Joy”

arr. Pepper Choplin
George W. Cooke

* Please rise in body or in spirit.

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