

Together we reach, transform, and equip people for a lifelong relationship with Christ.

*Welcome To Worship*  
Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church  
October 27, 2024 ~ 11 am

SELECTION: "God So Loved"

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty  
Come to the well that never runs dry  
Drink of the water, come and thirst no more

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy  
Come to the table, He will satisfy  
Taste of His goodness, find what you're looking for

For God so loved the world that He gave us, His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions  
Come lay them down at the foot of the cross  
Jesus is waiting there with open arms

For God so loved the world that He gave us, His one and only Son to save us  
Whoever believes in Him will live forever  
The power of hell forever defeated, Now it is well, I'm walking in freedom  
For God so loved, God so loved the world

Praise God, praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love

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Praise Him, praise Him for the wonders of His love, His amazing love  
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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Jeff

CALL TO WORSHIP: Pastor Jeff  
Come, let us praise the Lord!

**Let us shout our songs of thanksgiving to Almighty God!**  
For God has done wonderful things for us.

**God's love and blessings have been showered upon us.**

Come, let us praise the Lord!

**Let us sing songs of great joy to God.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Pastor Jeff

\*SELECTION: "How He Loves"

He is jealous for me  
Loves like a hurricane. I am a tree  
Bending beneath  
The weight of His wind and mercy

When all of a sudden I am unaware  
Of these afflictions eclipsed by glory  
And I realize just how beautiful You are  
And how great Your affections are for me

Oh how He loves us oh oh how He loves us  
How He loves us oh

And He is jealous for me  
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The weight of His wind and mercy

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And I realize just how beautiful You are  
And how great Your affections are for me

Yeah He loves us oh how He loves us  
Oh how He loves us oh how He loves

And we are His portion and He is our prize  
Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes  
If His grace is an ocean  
We're all sinking

And Heaven meets earth like a sloppy wet kiss  
And my heart it turns violently inside of my chest  
I don't have time to maintain these regrets  
When I think about the way that...

He loves us oh how He loves us  
Oh how He loves us oh how He loves 3X

CHILDREN'S SPOTLIGHT & MESSAGE: Pastor Jeff

PUBLIC READING OF THE SCRIPTURE: Jaqie Keady  
Mark 12: 28-34

## The First Commandment

<sup>28</sup> One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, ‘Which commandment is the first of all?’ <sup>29</sup> Jesus answered, ‘The first is, “Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one;” <sup>30</sup> you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.” <sup>31</sup> The second is this, “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” There is no other commandment greater than these.’ <sup>32</sup> Then the scribe said to him, ‘You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that “he is one, and besides him there is no other”; <sup>33</sup> and “to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength”, and “to love one’s neighbour as oneself”,—this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.’ <sup>34</sup> When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, ‘You are not far from the kingdom of God.’ After that no one dared to ask him any question.

The Word of God for the People of God.

### Thanks be to God.

\*SELECTION: “Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears re - lieved  
How precious did that grace ap - pear  
The hour I first be - lieved

My chains are gone I've been set free  
My God my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love amazing grace

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope se - cures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life en - dures (To Chorus)

My chains are gone I've been set free  
My God my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love amazing grace

The earth shall soon dis - solve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here be - low  
Will be for - ever mine  
Will be for - ever mine  
You are for - ever mine

SERMON:

“The Great Commandment”

Pastor Jeff

SELECTION

“Less Like Me”

Oh I have days I lose the fight  
Try my best but just don't get it right  
Where I talk a talk that I don't walk  
And miss the moments right before my eyes

Somebody with a hurt that I could have helped  
Somebody with a hand that I could have held  
When I just can't see past myself  
Lord help me be

A little more like mercy a little more like grace  
A little more like kindness goodness love and faith  
A little more like patience a little more like peace  
A little more like Jesus  
A little less like me

Yeah there's no denying I have changed  
I've been saved from who I used to be  
But even at my best I must confess  
I still need help to see the way You see

Somebody with a hurt that I could have helped  
Somebody with a hand that I could have held  
When I just can't see past myself  
Lord help me be

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Oh to feed the beggar on the street  
Love to be Your hands and feet  
Freely give what I receive Lord help me be  
I want to put You first above all else  
Love my neighbor as myself  
In the moments no one sees Lord help me be

A little more like mercy a little more like grace

A little more like kindness goodness love and faith  
A little more like patience a little more like peace  
A little more like Jesus  
A little less like me

A little more I'm living everything I preach  
A little more like Jesus a little less like me

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: Pastor Jeff

\*OFFERING WITH OFFERTORY PRAISE: "Less Like Me"

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PRAYER OF DEDICATION: Pastor Jeff

**O Lord, we have not always heard the cries of those in need, and we have turned our backs, on opportunities to serve you by serving others. Many times, we have thought only of our own wants and desires. Help us to truly understand the commandments to love you and our neighbors. Accept these our prayers and our gifts that a difference will be made in your world and in our lives today. Amen.**

BENEDICTION: Pastor Jeff

