

Welcome!

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we hope you will worship with us again! Please help us get to know you by filling out the friendship pad (located in the pew) during the welcome. Be sure to check out the "New to Us?" card in the pew rack for information about our worship service, children in worship, who we are, and more! Prayer request cards can be found in the pew and are used to share concerns with the prayer chain and/or the pastor.

Prayer Concerns

Illness: Nancy Burroughs, Chuck Ridgeway, Waldo Renich

Serving in the Military: Col. Bryan J. Laske, U.S. Army; Matt Scherr, National Guard; Lt. Michael Thomas, Navy; Ryan Thomas; Sgt. Zachary Thomas; Lt. Jim Six, USAF; Todd Stubbs; Sarah Theeke, USAF.

Staff & Leadership

Ministers: Every member of the congregation!

Pastor: The Rev. Scott W. Hoffman

Music Director: Joy Exner

Accompanist: Lorri Yawney

Communications Coordinator: Katie Foster

Preschool Director: Heather Gallagher

Facilities and Property Manager: Tito Baca

Nursery Attendants: Laura Holderman, Allison Miller

Bell Choir Director: Sally Berlowitz

Sunday Experience Director: Jane Preston

LOGOS Director: Carrie Jenkins

Clerk of Session: Janene Holzberg

Moderator of Deacons: Ashlee Hoffman

Treasurer: Tom Mawhinney

Asst. Treasurer: Bill Anderson

Calendar:

Sun 14	10:30	Worship
	12:00	Great Light PC, Rm. 21, 22
	2:00	Pakistani Worship, FH
	4:00	Boy Scout Planning, Downstairs Classrooms
	5:00	Boy Scout Planning, FH
Mon 15	6:15	Kickboxing Class, Rm. 18 and 21
	7:00	Deacons, FH and Rm. 21
Tue 16	10:00	GenOn Board Meeting, Committee Room
	7:00	Boy Scouts, FH and Downstairs Classrooms
	7:00	Friendship Circle, Committee Room
	7:00	Theology on Tap, The Turn House
Wed 17	9:30	Preschool Graduation Rehearsal, Sanctuary
	7:00	Great Light PC, Rm. 21
	7:00	Women for Women Happy Hour, La Palapa Too
Thurs 18	10:00	Shawl Ministry, Committee Room
	6:00	Cub Scouts, FH and Downstairs Classrooms
	6:45	EC Stampers, Rm. 9
	7:00	BSA Monthly Meeting, Committee Room
	7:30	Trinity Choir, Sanctuary
Fri 19	4:00	Wedding Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Sat 20	5:00	Wedding, Sanctuary



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Worship Music this Week:

The Word in Music, *Here I Am, Lord*, was composed by Daniel Schutte in 1981 when he was a young Jesuit studying theology in Berkeley, CA. It is based on Isaiah 6:8: *Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me!"*

Schutte writes that a friend asked him to compose a piece of music for an ordination ceremony based on the Isaiah text in a very short period of time (3 days.) He says this of the experience: "I had always loved the particular Scripture passage (Isaiah 6) where God calls Isaiah to be his servant and messenger to the people and Isaiah responds with both hesitation and doubt, but also with a humble willingness to surrender to God. If it was going to work, it would have to be God's power and grace making it happen. Much like Isaiah I was not very sure that I could meet the request my friend had made, but I was willing to try. I remember sitting at my desk with a blank music score in front of me and asking God to be my strength. As I sat there praying for help, I remembered also the call of Samuel, where God came calling in the middle of the night and asked Samuel to do something beyond what he thought he was capable of. I worked for two days on the piece and I remember being exhausted. I was making last-minute changes to the score as I walked it over to my friend, who lived several blocks away. I remember being very unsure of myself, but hoping that it would be what he had wanted for the ordination. And it was ok. It was more than ok. From the very beginning, people loved the piece and clearly identified with the dialogue between God and us that is the core of the song. In the years following, so many have spoken to me or written how they had their own experience of God "calling in the night" and being given the courage to respond. For me, the story of *Here I Am, Lord* tells of the God who overshadows us, giving power to our stumbling words and the simple works of our hands, and making them into something that can be a grace for people. The power God gives is far beyond what we could have planned or created."



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May 14, 2017, 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

arr. A. L. Page

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!

Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say rejoice!

Welcome and Announcements

Passing of the Peace (L: Leader; P: People)

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

**Call to Worship

Tiffany Carmean

L: We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart;

P: we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

L: We will be glad and exult in you;

P: we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

L: Let us worship God!

**Hymn – 236

The Strife is O'er

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin, but we confess that we have not obeyed your word. We have harbored malice toward our enemies; we have been deceitful in our relationships; we have been insincere in our commitments; through gossip we have slandered our friends. Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance. Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk that we may grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon

L: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel...

P: ...in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

**Response – 240

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

(Refrain) Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name

(Verse) Come let us praise the living God, joyfully sing to our Savior.

(Repeat refrain)

Reception of New Members

Moment with Children

Liz Perraud

Children ages preschool—second grade dismissed to Sunday Experience

Word in Music

Here I Am, Lord

arr. A. L. Page

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Matthew 27: 57-66
Luke 24: 13-35

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L: The Word of the Lord.
P: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

Tomb or Path?

Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn – 306**

Blest Be The Tie That Binds

Offertory

Mighty to Save with Jesus Saves
Savior, he can move the mountains, my God is mighty to save
He is mighty to save. Forever Author of Salvation,
He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave

arr. B. Smith and M. McDonald

We have heard the joyful sound; Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Spread the tidings all around; Jesus saves! Jesus saves!
Bear the news to every land, climb the mountains, cross the waves;
Onward! 'tis our Lord's command; Jesus saves! Jesus saves!

****Doxology – 606**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayers of Thanksgiving with The Lord's Prayer (using "debts")

****Hymn – 295**

Go to the World!

****Benediction**

****Postlude**

Hymn of Praise

arr. J. Denton

This morning elder Ron Brown will be at the front of the sanctuary after worship to welcome you and answer questions about our congregation.

Thank you to Bill Ryder for operating the sound board this week!

Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full list of upcoming events, visit www.cmpcusa.org/events



Women for Women Happy Hour

Wednesday, May 17th at 6:30 p.m. at La Palapa Too (7500 Montpelier Rd, Laurel, MD 20723)

This month, WFW will meet on a Wednesday for a fun evening out. Women for Women will provide some appetizers to share. We will be outside, as long as the weather is nice. As always, all women of CMPC are welcome to come and bring a friend. Please RSVP to womenforwomen@cmpcusa.org to ensure we have a large enough reservation.

June GIFT- Rise Against Hunger

Saturday, June 3rd from 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.

For June's GIFT (Generations in Faith Together) event, Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church will be working with Rise Against Hunger (previously Stop Hunger Now) to package meals. This year we plan to package 20,000 meals, and we'll need your help! All ages from 4 years and up are welcome to participate. Please let us know if childcare is needed for younger children. Once again, our event will have two shifts: 10 a.m. – 12 p.m and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. Each shift has 60 volunteer openings. To sign up for a volunteer shift, please visit <http://events.stophungernow.org/ChristMemorialPres2017> CMPC's Mission Committee is funding a portion of the effort, and we are hoping to raise the balance of funds through donations. The cost is \$0.29/meal, so the total cost for our 20,000 meal event is \$5,800. You may contribute to the cause by making a donation when you register online, by contributing to the "5th Sunday" offering (which will occur today), and/or making a donation at the actual event on June 3rd. Participants of all ages in the 2016 meal packing event found it meaningful and a whole lot of fun! We expect the same this year!

Marriage Equality "Listening Sessions"

Sunday, May 28th following worship and Tuesday, May 30th at 7 p.m.

As you may know, over the last few months, the leaders of the congregation (elders and deacons) have engaged in conversation to discern how God is calling CMPC to respond to the changes in the PC(USA) regarding marriage equality. (In 2015, the denomination voted to allow same-sex couples to marry, though the session still has the right to approve or deny any request at the local level). All members of CMPC are invited to participate in one of two "Listening Sessions" with church elders and deacons that will allow members to share their thoughts, listen for the Lord and to others, and engage the issue more fully with one another. For more information, visit www.cmpcusa.org/blog.

Musical Treats and Sweets

Sunday, June 11th at 6:00 p.m.

Save the date for a "sweet" evening as we host our 12th annual Musical Treats and Sweets event! This event is held to raise funds for our high school and adult leaders to attend the GenOn Youth Summit this July. Stay tuned for more details.



Summer Camp

"To provide all campers with a vital encounter with Jesus Christ that leads to growth in Christian faith and discipleship" is the mission of Pine Springs Camp—a Presbyterian summer camp located in Jennerstown, PA. Pine Springs, beloved by the Hoffman family, is the place where you should consider sending your children or grandchildren for an incredible week of fun and faith development. To make it even easier to do so, the Hoffmans will be at the camp the week of June 25th-30th this summer and will be happy to answer any questions you may have. Much more information about the camp (including their full summer schedule of camps) can be found on their website www.pinesprings.org.

All-Church Mission Trip to Mars Hill, NC

July 9-15

Once again this summer a group of folks from CMPC (and other churches) will descend upon Mars Hill, NC for a week of hands-on mission work with our brothers and sisters in need. All ages are encouraged to join the group for this fun-filled and meaningful week of mission work. Children age birth to 11 years enjoy a day of VBS on a beautiful college campus while anyone over the age of 11 heads off to participate in home repair and refurbishment projects throughout the area. No specific skills are needed and a wide range of projects will be available. If you are interested in joining the CMPC delegation be sure to contact Pastor Scott at pastor.hoffman@cmpcusa.org or 410-997-8011.



Attention all graduates!

CMPC would like to recognize all of our graduates on Graduation Sunday, June 11th! If you or someone you know from the CMPC family is graduating from high school, trade school, college, or graduate school, please send us a brief paragraph featuring the graduate's name, the institution they are graduating from, and future plans. Please send write-ups to Katie at office@cmpcusa.org by Tuesday, May 30th.