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.

Staff & Leadership

Ministers: Ever	y member of the	congregation!
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Pastor: The Rev. Scott W. Hoffman

Music Director: Joy Exner **Accompanist:** Lorri Yawney

Communications Coordinator: Katie Foster

Preschool Director: Missy Sullivan

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: Marilyn Mills

Treasurer: Tom Mawhinney **Asst. Treasurer:** Bill Anderson

Calendar:

Sat 9

Sun 3	10:30 12:00 2:00	Worship Great Light PC, Rm. 21, 22 Pakistani Worship, FH
Mon 4	6:15 6:30	Kickboxing, Rm. 18, 21 Committee Night, Entire Building
Tues 5	9:00 11:00 7:00	Staff Meeting, Committee Rm. Bible Basics, Committee Rm. Boy Scouts, FH and Lower Level
Wed 6	7:00 8:00	Great Light PC, Rm. 21 Bell Choir Rehearsal, Sanctuary
Thurs 7	10:00 2:00 6:00 6:30 7:30	Shawl Ministry, Committee Rm. John Bible Study Explorers, Committee Rm. CSP371, FH, Lower Ministry Expansion, Committee Rm. Choir, Sanctuary

Music Director, Sanctuary

April GIFT, FH



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Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

April 3, 2016, 10:30 a.m.

Welcome! =

(Please turn off cell phones and other electronic devices. Assistive hearing devices are available from the ushers.)

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

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Order of Worship

Prelude How Beautiful arr. L. Shackley

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

Steve Pettit

L: This is the good news—the grave is empty; Christ is risen.

P: Hallelujah!

L: This is the good news—the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness can never put it out.

P: Hallelujah!

L: This is the good news—once we were no people; now we are God's people.

P: Hallelujah!

L: Christ is our peace, the indestructible peace we now share with each other.

P: Hallelujah!

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn** – 238

Thine Is the Glory

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

God of the empty tomb and our empty hearts, when we are afraid to speak our faith in the world, forgive us and help us to find our voice. When we are afraid to forgive and to love again, forgive us and give us the power to forgive. When we are afraid to stand up to misguided authority, join us with the weak to make us all strong. When we are confined by our hurts, touch us with your wounded hands and set us free. When we are locked behind our doubts and fears, pass through our barricades, open our hearts, and give us peace. 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 – 447 – We Are Forgiven

We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God. We are forgiven. We are forgiven. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

Moment with Children

Sacrament of Baptism (See Insert)
Children ages preschool—second grade dismissed to Sunday Experience

Word in Music

Beautiful One from The Beautiful Christ
Haley Barham, solo

Prayer for Illumination

Marilyn Mills

Arr. H. Sorenson

 Scriptures
 Psalm 150
 OT Page 583

 Luke 24: 13-35
 NT Page 90

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon If They Had Only Known Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn** – 526 Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

OffertoryO Lord, You're Beautifulby K. Green

Lucy Neely, solo

****Doxology** – 710 We Lift Our Voices

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

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

Sharing of Bread and Cup (Please eat and drink when you are served.)

The cups in the outer rings of the trays contain wine. The rest of the cups contain grape juice.

Music during Communion:Jesus, Messiaharr. V. LabenskeYou Are My All in Allarr. M. Hayes

Prayer

****Hymn** – 547 Go, My Children, With My Blessing

**Benediction

Postlude Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee arr. J. Purifoy

Thank you to Joe Marinelli for operating the sound board this week!

Announcements



April GIFT (Generations In Faith Together) Saturday, April 9th at 5:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

This multi-generational event is a Movie Night on the big screen and includes dinner and discussion! The movie is "Up" (rated PG). There is no charge for this event but we need an RSVP to gift@cmpcusa.org by April 8 to know how much pizza to buy. Bring your own lawn chair or sleeping bag. Bring friends! There will be child care for our youngest ones.

Luncheon with the Wellers Sunday, April 17 at 11:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Please join us for a luncheon in honor of Rev. Michael and Rachel Weller, a missionary couple in Ethiopia we have begun supporting as a congregation. Last fall the Mission and Local Outreach Committee went through a process of discernment that led the members to conclude that CMPC should initiate a long term relationship with a missionary in the field. Research that was part of the discernment led the committee to the Rev. Michael Weller and his wife Rachel who labor in Ethiopia. The Wellers will be joining us for worship, and all are encouraged to attend this special celebration afterwards.

Spring Clean Up

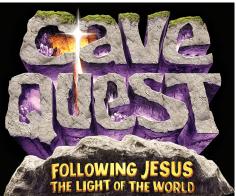
Saturday, April 23rd from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Join us as we clean up around the church building and grounds! Projects include light gardening and mulching. Breakfast and lunch will be provided. All are welcome to come volunteer and stay as long as their schedule permits.

Register Now for Vacation Bible School 2016!

Save June 27-July 1 for CMPC's Cave Quest Vacation Bible School, a week of mornings filled with lots of children excited to learn about Jesus! Registration is open for potty-trained preschoolers through rising 5th graders. Visit www.cmpcusa.org/vbs for additional information and to register.

How would you like to be involved? Please contact VBS Director Meghan Jones at meghanrjones@gmail.com to hear about opportunities to volunteer for the full week or a few days. Middle school and high school youth are a big part of our week to help lead VBS. Watch for the donation bulletin board. We'll need all hands on deck to help with Wednesday Decoration Evenings!



Worship Music This Week

The prelude, How Beautiful, was written by singer/songwriter Twila Paris in 1991. The words for the song begin with a communion text, but also speak about Jesus' life and death: "How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hills to the cross. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ. How beautiful the heart that bled that took all my sin and bore it instead. How beautiful the tender eyes that chose to forgive and never despise . . ." Paris suggests that we look at the Christ-Servant and then try to live as He did, describing the result with an adjective we don't normally associate with a male. God is beautiful as we see God serve, and she wanted to pattern herself and her service after Him.

The Word in Music, *Beautiful One*, is from the mini Easter cantata *The Beautiful Christ* by Heather Sorenson. The introit and anthem for Easter Sunday were from the same work. The subtitle for the cantata is *An Easter Celebration of Grace*. Again, the word beautiful is used to describe our Risen Lord – "Beautiful One I Love, beautiful One I adore; beautiful One my soul must sing." The narration during the piece says, "The most beautiful gift is one that requires great sacrifice beautiful redemption takes place when no return payment can be made."

The offertory solo, O Lord, You're Beautiful, by Keith Green states, "Oh Lord, You're beautiful; Your face is all I seek; for when Your eyes are on this child; Your grace abounds to me."

The tune (Judas Maccabeus) for the closing hymn, *Thine Is the Glory*, was written by G. F. Handel (in 1748) and is from 1 Corinthians 15:57: "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." The Easter text, written by Edmond Budry in 1884, refers to the "risen conquering Son..." To God be the glory!