

# 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:** Kathleen Smith  
**Preschool Director:** Heather Gallagher  
**Facilities and Property Manager:** Tito Baca  
**Nursery Attendants:** Laura Holderman, Allison Miller  
**Bell Choir Director:** Sally Berlowitz  
**Sunday Experience Director:** Donna Ueckermann  
**LOGOS Director:** Carrie Jenkins  
**Clerk of Session:** Janene Holzberg  
**Moderator of Deacons:** Ashlee Hoffman  
**Treasurer:** Tom Mawhinney

## Calendar:

Sun 17 10:30 Worship/Cantata  
 12:00 Great Light PC, Rm 21,22  
 2:00 Pakistani Worship, FH  
 3:00 Women for Women, Jan Keister's home  
 5:00 Longest Night Service  
 6:00 Caroling

Mon 18 6:15 Kickboxing Class, Rm 18 and 21  
 7:00 Session and Deacons, FH and CR

Tues 19 11:00 Bible Basics, CR  
 7:00 Friendship Circle  
 7:00 Boy Scouts, FH and downstairs

Wed 20 5:00 LOGOS  
 7:00 Great Light PC, Rm 21  
 8:00 Bells of Joy

Thur 21 10:00 Shawl Ministry, Committee Room  
 6:00 CubScouts, FH, classrooms  
 6:45 EC Stampers  
 7:00 Boy Scouts Monthly meeting  
 7:30 Choir, Sanctuary

Fri 22 6:00 Private Party, FH

Sat 23 11:00 Music Director, Sanctuary



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# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**December 17, 2017, 10:30 a.m.**  
**Third Sunday of Advent**

## Order of Worship

\*\*indicates to stand as you are able.

**Prelude** *He is Born, the Holy Child* (French Carol) arr. A. Jordan

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Lighting of the Advent Candles** The Sowell Wilson Family

**Response- 92** *While We Are Waiting, Come Verse 1*

**Passing of the Peace** (L: Leader; P: People)  
 L: The peace of Christ be with you.  
 P: **And also with you.**

**\*\*Call to Worship** Scott Hoffman  
 L: Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!  
 P: **Let your gentleness be evident to all.**  
 L: The Lord is near.  
 P: **We rejoice in the hope of Christ's coming.**  
 L: Let us worship God!

**\*\*Hymn –** (see insert) *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*

**Moment with Children**  
*Children ages preschool—second grade dismissed to Sunday Experience*

**Offertory** *Ding Dong Merrily on High* arr. A. Larson

**\*\*Doxology - 710** *We Lift Our Voices*

**Word in Music** (see insert) *Jesus! The Advent of the Messiah* by M. McDonald/R. Aspinwall

**\*\*Benediction**

**Postlude** Cantata reprise (orchestra)

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

Thank you to Neil Danzig for operating the sound board this week!

# Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full list of upcoming events, visit [www.cmpcusa.org/events](http://www.cmpcusa.org/events)

## Christmas Cantata

### Today during worship

The Christmas cantata, *Jesus, The Advent of The Messiah* by Mary McDonald will be offered during worship this morning. It is a beautiful work that tells how the significant events surrounding Christ's birth still impact us today. He was a baby sent to change everything. He was Jesus! Come with us as we celebrate this High and Holy One, the Name above all names - this mighty King who reigns over heaven and earth. Let's celebrate the season of His birth and honor the gift of a Savior - our Savior - Jesus!

# JESUS!

## Women for Women

### Today from 3-5 p.m

Join the women of CMPC as we gather at Jan Keister's home (8391 Sweet Cherry Lane, Laurel) for Christmas fellowship and to wrap presents for a deserving local family. Sue Ashman is coordinating the gift buying for those who wish to participate. We are looking for donations of extra giftwrap and baked goods for this event. Drinks and light snacks will be provided. RSVPs are helpful but not necessary ([womenforwomen@cmpcusa.org](mailto:womenforwomen@cmpcusa.org)). Stop by for all or part of the time as your schedule allows. As always, this activity is open to all women of the church.



## Longest Night Service

### Tonight at 5 p.m.

"The most wonderful time of the year" can often be difficult for some due to loss, illness, or other hardships. Come for a quiet meditative service of remembering, sharing our hurting places with God, and preparing our hearts for the coming of Christ.

## Christmas Caroling

### Tonight at 6 p.m.

Join us for an evening of caroling through the Allview community. Afterwards, we'll come back to the church for pizza and hot chocolate!



## Care and Wellness Committee

If you have a friend, family member, or know of someone that needs a little cheer and would like them to receive a card from "their friends at CMPC", please email [carecards@cmpcusa.org](mailto:carecards@cmpcusa.org) with their name and address. CMPC's Care and Wellness Committee will see to it that they receive a caring card from "their CMPC friends" or "their CMPC family". CMPC cares!



## Congregational Birthday Bash

### Sunday, January 28th Following Worship

It's almost time for our annual Congregational Birthday Bash! Join us following the worship service as we celebrate the birthdays of everyone in our church with a pizza and cake party. The Fellowship Committee is looking for 12 people to provide a decorated cake, one for each month of the year. Please contact Cindy Pettit at 301-490-7304 or [cindycpettit@gmail.com](mailto:cindycpettit@gmail.com) if you can help.

## Offering Envelopes

Boxes of numbered offering envelopes for the 2018 general fund are available in the connecting hallway for those who have requested them. If you don't see a box with your name on it and would like a box, please contact Bill Anderson, 410-707-4054, [billanderson8@gmail.com](mailto:billanderson8@gmail.com).

## Rebuilding Together Howard County

The national Rebuild Day will be April 28, 2018. CMPC has participated for the past four years. In order to participate in 2018 a volunteer House Captain is needed to lead our effort. The duties of the House Captain are as follows:

1. Attend the house captain meetings preceding the April 28 workday;
2. Select the house to be repaired;
3. Start assembling a team to do the work, especially one or two co-leaders (two is best);
4. Visit the house with at least one of the co-leaders to determine what work is to be performed and make a list of materials and tools needed;
5. Complete the assembly of the team.

A volunteer House Captain is needed by February 1, 2018, if CMPC wants to participate.

Please contact BJ Walworth, [bjwalworth@hotmail.com](mailto:bjwalworth@hotmail.com) or 410.300.0242 to volunteer.



## Sign Up Now to Volunteer with CMPC's Cold Weather Shelter!

CMPC will be hosting the homeless guests from Grassroots the week between Christmas and New Years – which, due to both holidays occurring on Mondays this year, will be from Tuesday evening, December 26th through Tuesday morning, January 2nd.

There are many tasks that need to be done for this mission. We are fortunate that many people have already agreed to serve – but we need your help, too.

Tasks that you can help with include preparing and serving meals for an evening; assisting with assembling items for their bag lunches; volunteering to be here for an evening or an overnight shift; or, help arrange for movies or games to be available after the guests have their meal. Another need is providing transportation for the guests one or more evenings from the Columbia Mall at 5:45 PM, or back to the Mall in the mornings – usually at 7:00 AM.

Online signup is now available at <http://signup.com/go/okGORhm>. Please choose a task you are willing to help with and the date and time. CWS volunteers will also be available on Sundays following worship in the connecting hallway to answer any questions you might have and to assist with the signups as needed.

This service can be a life-changing experience – not only for our guests, but for us, too. Please sign up to help those in need.

If you have any questions, please contact CMPC's CWS Coordinator, Jeff Seymour, at [jjseymour2@address4email.net](mailto:jjseymour2@address4email.net) or on 443-562-4744.