

# Welcome!

If you are visiting, we hope you will worship with us often. Please help us get to know you by filling out the pew pad during the welcome.

**Visitors**, please stop by the welcome center (located in the hallway outside of the sanctuary) after worship. We have a small gift we would like to share with you!

**Welcome cards** may be used to share requests for prayer, or other information, with the pastor and/or the church.

**The nursery**, for those in kindergarten or younger, is located on the first floor of the sanctuary wing. You may bring your young ones there before or during the service.

**"Sunday Experience" for K—3rd grade** is a dynamic and interactive teaching method that lets your children take part in the lessons themselves (through puppets, cooking, art, and drama) while they are learning.

## CMPC Mission Statement

Grateful to God for his constant loving presence and guided by his Word, we are called to be a people who praise God in worship and in our daily lives, grow Biblically and spiritually in our life together, reach out as witnesses of Jesus Christ, serving those in need, and share Christ's love with one another and everyone we meet.

## Prayer Concerns

**Illness:** Nancy Burroughs, Ron Laske, Chuck Ridgeway

**Serving in the Military:** Daniel Boone, Zachary Thomas; Lt. Michael Thomas, Navy; Brad Bollinger Iraq; Marine, Brandon Thornton and Linus Angu. Afghanistan: Marine, J. T. Burke; LTC Bryan J. Laske, U.S. Army

## Staff & Leadership

**Ministers:** Every member of the congregation!

**Pastor:** The Rev. Scott W. Hoffman

**Music Director:** Joy Exner

**Accompanist:** Lorri Yawney

**Communications Coordinator:** Ariel Wickham

**Preschool Director:** Missy Sullivan

**Nursery Attendants:** Laura Holderman, Jamie Wilder

**Bell Choir Director:** Sally Berlowitz

**Sunday School/Experience Director:** Debbie O'Neal

**LOGOS Director:** Liz Perraud

**Clerk of Session:** Joyce Danzig

**Moderator of Deacons:** Tom Mawhinney

**Treasurer:** Neil Brierley

**Asst. Treasurer:** Anna May Lebro

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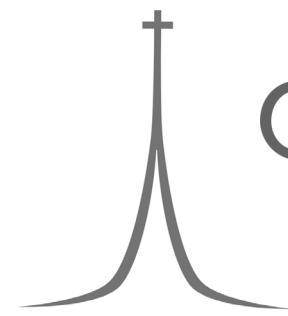
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## Calendar

<b>Sun 25</b>	10:30	Worship
	11:30	Fellowship Hour
	11:45	Great Light PC, Rm. 21, 22
	2:00	Pakistani Worship, FH
<b>Mon 26</b>	7:30	BSA, FH
<b>Tues 27</b>	9:30	Prospect Meeting, Committee Rm.
	7:00	Personnel, Committee Rm.
<b>Wed 28</b>	7:30	LOGOS Leaders, Room 22
<b>Thur 29</b>	9:30	Shawl Ministry, Committee Rm.
	6:00	CSP371, FH, Lower
	7:00	Preschool Parents Orientation
	7:30	AA Meeting, Rm. 21
<b>Sat 31</b>	12:00	Organist, Sanctuary
<b>Sun 1</b>	10:30	Worship
	11:30	Fellowship Hour
	11:45	Great Light PC, Rm. 21, 22
	2:00	Pakistani Worship, FH



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**August 25, 2013, 10:30 a.m.**  
**Commitment of Time Sunday**

## Welcome!

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

This morning elder Tiffany Carmean 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** *I Love to Tell the Story* *arr. D. Wood*

### 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

Elyn Thomas

L: God is our rock and our fortress,

**P: our refuge and strength.**

L: God is our hope and our trust.

**P: Praise the Lord!**

L: Let us worship God!

**\*\*Hymn – 476** *O Worship the King, All Glorious Above*

### \*\*Silent Prayer of Confession

### \*\*Common Prayer of Confession

**God of justice and love, we confess to you and to each other that we have not offered food to the hungry or satisfied the needs of the afflicted. We have spoken evil of others and pointed fingers in blame. We have turned away from you and our community, pursuing instead our own self-interests. Parched for mercy, we cry out for your help. Forgive us, God, and teach us your ways, that we may be renewed like a garden freshly watered. 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** – 276 Great Is Thy Faithfulness (verse 3)

***Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth, Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!  
Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness! Morning by morning new mercies I see;  
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!***

**Commitment of Time**

**Moment with Children**

**Sacrament of Baptism** – (See Insert)

Children ages K—3rd grade dismissed to Sunday Experience

**Word in Music**

*Spirituals Medley*  
CMPC Men

*arr. L. Beery*

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scriptures**

Jeremiah 1: 4-10  
Hebrews 12: 18-29

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L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

**Excuses, Excuses**

Rev. Scott Hoffman

**\*\*Hymn** – (See Insert)

*I Was There to Hear Your Borne Cry*

**Offertory**

*Jesus, Messiah*

*arr. V. Labenske*

**\*\*Doxology** – (See Insert)

*We Are An Offering*

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

**\*\*Hymn** – 430

*Come Sing, O Church, in Joy!*

**\*\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Festive March*

*G. Blake*

**Thank you to Jeff Bruce for operating the sound board this week!**

## Announcements

### Join Bells of Joy

The CMPC Bell Choir is ready to begin a new year and is looking for new ringers! Training is available to those who are able to read music. Rehearsals will begin on September 10th. We rehearse on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the sanctuary and present our musical offerings in worship services multiple times throughout the year. Please join us!



### New Member Class - September 11th

Are you new to CMPC? Do you feel that this is a place where you would like to put down roots and become more fully involved? If so, consider joining our next New Members Class to be held Wednesday, September 11th from 7 - 9 p.m. Those who attend the class will be received into the church during worship the following Sunday, September 15th. During the class you will have the opportunity to learn about our church and our tradition, get to know some of the leadership, and form bonds with others who have decided to move into membership as well. If you would like to join us for the class, please RSVP by calling the church office at 410-997-8011. Childcare will be available upon request. We hope to hear from you!



### Sunday School is Back and This Time There's Breakfast!

September 15th marks the beginning of Christ Memorial's 2013-2014 Sunday School year! Classes are available for students of all ages! Classes are divided into the following groups: preschool, kindergarten through second grade, third through fifth grade, middle school, high school, and adults. A nursery will be provided as well. Sunday School classes begin with an opening at 9:15 a.m. in Fellowship Hall and class at 9:30 a.m. All classes conclude at 10:15 a.m. in time for the worship service. For more information, contact Debbie O'Neal at [oneal04@aol.com](mailto:oneal04@aol.com) or (410) 997-4345. No registration or fee is necessary! For those who would like a little help getting to church early in the morning, a continental breakfast of cereal, muffins, and fruit will be provided at 9 a.m. in the Committee room. We hope to see you in class!

### Annual Outdoor Worship Service and Picnic - September 15th

Sunday, September 15th is the date of our annual outdoor worship service and picnic. The worship service will begin at 10:30 a.m. A picnic will follow the worship service. Hamburgers, hotdogs, and drinks will be provided. RSVP information will be provided in the following weeks. We hope to see you at the picnic.

### CMPC's New Website!

It's finally here! Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church will be switching from our current website to the new website on Monday, August 26th. The website may be inaccessible for a while and there may be issues with email for a period of time. If you experience any problems with email, feel free to call the church at (410) 997-8011. The new website will be at the same web address [www.cmpcusa.org](http://www.cmpcusa.org).

### CMPC Blood Drive Successful!

A note of thanks from Eleanor Orndorff:

"Thank you to everyone who came out in support of our community blood drive last week. Our next blood drive is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, January 16, 2014. We are looking for a new coordinator to work with the Red Cross to provide this worthwhile service to the community. Anyone who is interested may contact Eleanor Orndorff at 410-997-7126 for more information. Thank you."

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