

# Welcome!

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we hope you will worship with us again! For the next few months we will be worshipping here in Fellowship Hall while our sanctuary is under renovation. Thank you for bearing with us during this time of transition.

## Prayer Concerns

**Illness:** 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. Jesse Hill, 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:** Kathleen Smith  
**Preschool Director:** Heather Gallagher  
**Facilities and Property Manager:** Tito Baca  
**Nursery Attendants:** Laura Holderman, Allison Miller and Danielle Wilder  
**Bell Choir Director:** Sally Berlowitz  
**Sunday Experience Director:** Donna Ueckermann  
**LOGOS Co-Directors:** Carrie Jenkins, Lindsey Kim  
**Clerk of Session:** Janene Holzberg  
**Moderator of Deacons:** Cindy Pettit  
**Treasurer:** Tom Mawhinney

## Calendar:

Sun 9 10:30 Worship, FH  
2:00 Urdu Worship, FH  
Mon 10 7:00 Committee Night



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# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**September 9, 2018, 10:30 a.m.**

## Order of Worship

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

### Prelude

*O Worship the King*  
Psalm 47:6-7: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.

arr. P. Keveren

"O worship the King all-glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his power and his love;  
our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise."  
(Robert Grant, 1933)

### Welcome and Announcements

Liz Perraud

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

L: The peace of Christ be with you.  
P: **And also with you.**

### \*\*Call to Worship

Leader: O God, who gives us the morning sun and the evening star.  
**People: We have gathered to thank you.**  
Leader: O God, in whom we move and breathe and have our being.  
**People: We have gathered to praise you.**  
Leader: O God, who brings us out of Darkness into Light, out of winter into springtime, out of death into Life.  
**People: We celebrate you!**  
Leader: God of Grace, Giver of Gifts, bless us as we worship you, and as we seek to respond seek joyfully to follow the Way, Truth, and Life who is Jesus Christ our Savior.

\*\*Hymn – Insert *From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

### \*\*Silent Prayer of Confession

### \*\*Common Prayer of Confession

**O God of Light and Peace and Hope, accept our worship as before you we stand with heads bowed, hearts humbled and lives open to the still, small voice of Life everlasting. We confess to paths not taken, promises not kept, potentials unrealized, and possibilities ignored. We have missed speaking the kind word, forgiving the unintended slight, blessing youthful optimism, encouraging the discouraged, understanding another's weakness, affirming family members, giving the last mite. Forgive us for what we have failed to do. Pardon us to accomplish what we ought to do. Bless our every effort to live as your faithful followers, in Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

## **\*\*Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: As God's very own, we have already received the mercy God pours out in Jesus Christ.

**People:** God revives us in our weariness and raises us up to a new life.

Leader: God's mercy is wondrous to behold.

**People:** God heals our brokenness, binds up our wounds, and patiently teaches us the way that leads to life.

**Unison:** The grace of God overflows, so we may know faith and love. Let us celebrate God's gifts with joy!

## **\*\*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**

Marilyn Mills

## **Word in Music**

*He Is Exalted/Great Is the Lord*

Lindsey Kim, flute solo

"He is exalted, The King is exalted on high, I will praise Him  
He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise His name.  
He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign. Heaven and earth  
rejoice in His holy name. He is exalted The King is exalted on high!"  
(Twila Paris, 1985; Mountain Spring Music/Straightway Music)

"Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, by His power we trust In His love.  
Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, by His mercy He proves He is love  
Great is the Lord and worthy of glory; Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.  
Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice; now lift up your voice.  
Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!"  
(Debbie Smith and Michael W. Smith, 1982; Meadowgreen Music Company)

## **Prayer for Illumination**

### **Scriptures**

Isaiah 35:1-7a

Mark 7:31-37

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

### **Sermon**

A Deeper Miracle

Rev. Bob Culp

## **\*\*Hymn – Insert**

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

### **Offertory**

*God Will Make a Way*

arr. B. Inman

"God will make a way where there seems to be no way;  
He works in ways we cannot see, He will make a way for me.  
He will be my guide, hold me closely to His side; with love and strength  
for each new day, He will make a way; He will make a way."  
(Don Moen, 2003; Integrity Music Group)

## **\*\*Doxology – 710**

*We Lift Our Voices*

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering.

Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.

All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you.

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering; we are an offering.

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

## **\*\*Hymn – Insert**

*Now Thank We All Our God*

## **\*\*Please leave chairs set up following worship**

## **\*\*Benediction**

### **Postlude**

*Heavenly Sunlight*

arr. L. Shackley

"Heavenly sunlight, heavenly sunlight, flooding my soul with glory divine;  
hallelujah, I am rejoicing, singing His praises, Jesus is mine."  
(Henry Zelle, 1899)

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

## **Announcements and Upcoming Events**



### **Welcome Back, Reverend Culp!**

Stepping into the pulpit in Reverend Hoffman's absence today is Reverend Bob Culp.

Rev. Culp is a graduate of Westminster College (PA) and Princeton Theological Seminary, where he received his Master of Divinity Degree in 1975 (in Biblical Studies) and his Master of Theology Degree in 1992 (in Homiletics). He served parishes in Florida, Ohio, West Virginia, Maryland, and Connecticut before his retirement in October, 2013. He and Kathy, his wife of over 40 years and fellow classmate at Westminster College, now reside in Woodstock, MD ... very close to the new Administrative Offices of Howard County Library (in Ellicott City) where Kathy serves as a Data Services Specialist (librarian). Rev. Culp and Kathy are parents to three grown daughters and grandparents to three grandchildren.

### **New location**

Our church offices have moved! Please come visit us at our new location, 10440 Shaker Drive, Suite 207. With the renovation of the preschool coming to a close, and school starting up again, the office hours will now be 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

### **Investing for Our Future**

Now that the renovation and construction work for our Ministry Expansion plan has begun we would like to encourage you to consider helping us get the best possible interest rate on our loan. As you may well know, we are financing part of the plan through the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP). In order to qualify for the best interest rate, we need to have \$300,000 invested in the PILP program by members and friends of CMPC. These investments need to be in place by the time we take the first draw on the loan which is likely to be in September. Some of our members and friends are already participating and have invested \$248,760 to date. Obviously, we still need more investments to reach the goal. For more information about how to invest and the benefits of investing with PILP, please visit their website at <https://pilp.pcusa.org/>. If you would like to speak to someone who has already invested please contact Pastor Hoffman (pastor.hoffman@cmppcusa.org) and he will be happy to connect you with someone. Thank you for your continued support.

### **Sunday Experience**

#### **Today during worship**

Our Sunday Experience will start back up today during worship. Please note that Sunday Experience will take place in the classrooms under the Sanctuary during construction.

### **Outdoor Worship and Picnic**

#### **September 16th**

The Fellowship Committee will host the annual outdoor picnic on the side lawn, (weather permitting), on Sunday, September 16th following the outdoor worship service. Hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks and desserts will be provided. Please bring a side dish or salad to share! A reminder that there is No Refrigeration at the church due to the ongoing construction. Food items may be brought into the lower level of the church prior to the worship service, and placed on the provided tables. We hope you will join us for a time of fellowship and fun!

### **2018-2019 LOGOS Children and Youth Ministry Program**

Mark your calendars now for the first night of LOGOS, Wednesday, October 3rd and for Volunteer Training Night Wednesday, September 12th .

The 2018-2019 program year will be an adventure! There will be lots of changes due to all the improvements going on in the church building. The night will start at 5:30pm (instead of the usual 5:00pm) and will end as usual at 8:00pm after the group closing.

Try-it October is a great opportunity for new families to participate in the LOGOS experience (and pay \$5 per child a week as you go). Please Contact Co-Directors Carrie Jenkins (carrie915@yahoo.com) or Lindsey Kim (lindseyathorne@yahoo.com) for more program information.