

# 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

Prayer concerns are shared with our prayer chain and prayed for throughout the week. To submit a prayer concern, please e-mail prayerchain@cmppcusa.org or the office at office@cmppcusa.org. To be added to the prayer chain distribution, please contact the office at office@cmppcusa.org

## Serving in our 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:** Bob Ashman

## Calendar:

Sun 17	9:00	Small Group, Open Area
	10:30	Worship, FH
	4:00	LOGOS Musical, FH
	7:00	Confirmation Class, Temp Office
Mon 18	7:00	Session, FH
	7:00	Deacons, Temp Office
Tues 19	10:30	ME OAC, Church Office
Wed 20	11:00	Bible Basics, Temp Office
	5:30	LOGOS, entire building
Thurs 21	6:30	Ministry Expansion Committee, Temp Office
	7:30	Choir Rehearsal, FH
Sat 23	11:00	Music Director, FH
Sun 24	9:00	Small Group, Open Area
	10:30	Worship, FH
	11:30	Congregational Meeting, FH
	2:00	Urdu Worship, FH
	7:00	Confirmation Class, Temp Office



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Worship Music this Week:  
The tune for the prelude, *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross*, was written first by William H. Doane; then the words were added by Fanny Crosby in 1869. The subject she chose for the text was the cross of Christ. She realized that, without the cross, there is no salvation, no eternal life, no hope. The first verse and refrain are: "Jesus, keep me near the cross, there a precious fountain; free to all, a healing stream, flows from Calv'ry's mountain. In the cross, in the cross, be my glory ever; 'til my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river." (Public Domain)

The opening hymn, *Blessed Jesus, at Your Word*, is a gathering hymn that the author hoped would bring believers out of the murky world and into the presence of our Lord. The text was composed by Tobias Clausnitzer in 1663 and translated by Catherine Winkworth in 1858.

*The Old Rugged Cross* that you will hear for the Word in Music and the postlude was composed by George Bennard in 1913. He served in the Salvation Army before he was ordained in the Methodist Episcopal Church. After his ordination, he led revivals throughout the Midwest. He wrote the melody first, but was not satisfied with the words that he put to the song. The words of the hymn that we sing today he says, "were put into my heart in answer to my own need."



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**March 17, 2019, 10:30 a.m.**

## Order of Worship

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

**Prelude** *Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross* arr. M. McDonald

Colossians 1:20-21: *and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.*

### 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** Bob Clemens

L: Let us worship God, who has done great things.  
**P: We rejoice in our God, who made a way through the desert of this world.**  
L: Let us worship God, who has caused streams of mercy to flow in the wasteland.  
**P: We are the people God has formed through Christ; we worship him, and we rejoice!**  
L: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.  
**P: We praise God for the grace that has saved us.**  
L: Let us worship God!

**\*\*Hymn – Insert** *Blessed Jesus, at Your Word*

### \*\*Silent Prayer of Confession

**\*\*Common Prayer of Confession**  
**Merciful God, you have made us citizens of heaven, but we confess that we have set our minds on earthly things. We have let our desire for security restrain our commitment to serve the poor. We have let our fear of danger curb our obligation to love our enemies. We have let our love of things dull our generosity to the needy. We have let our craving for public status prevent our honesty about hidden sins. Yet, you know the desires of our heart and nothing is hidden from you. By the power of the Holy Spirit, conform our sin-weakened bodies to the glory of Christ, that we may be the body of Christ for the world. 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 – 847** *Our Hope, Our Life*

Beyond this age of shame and sham  
we glimpse a better destiny:  
the Lord will lift us free from death  
to dwell in praise eternally.

## Reception of New Member

## Moment with Children

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

Allen Exner

## Word in Music

*The Old Rugged Cross*

Hebrews 12:1-2: *Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.*

arr. M. Hayes

## Prayer for Illumination

## Scriptures

Psalm 27  
Luke 13:31-35

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

The Prophet and The Fox

Rev. Scott Hoffman

## \*\*Hymn – insert

*The Glory of These Forty Days*

## Offertory

*Near the Cross*

Galatians 2:20: *I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

arr. C. Berry

## \*\*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

*Fight the Good Fight*

## \*\*Benediction

## Postlude

*The Old Rugged Cross*

by G. Bennard (1913)

"So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, 'til my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross; and exchange it some day for a crown." (1913, Open Library)

Hebrews 12: 3: *Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.*

This morning elder Hyiwot Teshome will be at the front of Fellowship Hall 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

### Annual LOGOS Musical

#### Today, 4 PM, Fellowship Hall

The children in Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church's (CMPC's) LOGOS program are excited to present our musical for this year: Faith News! Angelic anchors at the desk of the Faith News Network, Chera Bim and Sara Fim, introduce Bible news coverage of stories about Noah, Queen Esther, Joshua, Moses, Abraham and Sarah, and Annanias and Saul/Paul. Helping Sara and Chera with the stories are roving reporters Jordan Rivers, Beth Layhem, Naomi Moabston, and Ruthie Baez. Maggie deLane has sports and weather reports. Our preschoolers make a special appearance in a basketball game between the Flappers and the Halos. Present throughout all of the Bible stories and all of the music is the important theme of faith.

Approximately 50 children and youth will be involved in the presentation of Faith News

### Women for Women

#### March 23rd, noon

Please join the W4W group for lunch and a little history in Ellicott City on Saturday March 23. We'll meet at 12:00 noon for lunch at the Ellicott Mills Brewing Company, 8308 Main Street (<http://www.ellicottmillsbrewing.com/>). Following lunch, we'll walk to the Howard County Historical Society Museum, 8328 Court Avenue (<http://hchsmd.org/>). Those who wish to carpool can meet at the church at 11:30.

Please RSVP to [womenforwomen@cmpcusa.org](mailto:womenforwomen@cmpcusa.org), or to Linda Shields, [lbshields@verizon.net](mailto:lbshields@verizon.net), by March 16. All are welcome to join us. If you would not be able to navigate a flight of stairs, please email Linda with this information so that we can arrange for appropriate space in the restaurant.

The museum has recently opened a new exhibit, "A River Runs Through It", which illustrates the numerous flood events that have plagued Ellicott City throughout its history. The building itself is worth seeing – it was the home of the First Presbyterian Church of Howard County from 1894 to 1959, and the museum has maintained the sanctuary, with beautiful stained glass windows and an 1800's pipe organ, to use for concerts and lectures.

### Congregational Meeting: Sunday, March 24

The session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, March 24 immediately following worship to discuss a sabbatical for Rev. Hoffman in the summer of 2020. All members are encouraged to attend.



### Rebuilding Together Howard County

National Rebuild Day is April 27, 2019. Anyone wishing to participate Please contact Brent, [brentvpi@gmail.com](mailto:brentvpi@gmail.com), 443-718-1861.

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**May GIFT- Rise Against Hunger  
Saturday, 4th, 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.**

For May's GIFT (Generations in Faith Together) event, Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church will again be sponsoring a meal packaging event through the Rise Against Hunger organization. This year we'll be packing meals in the area under the sanctuary. Rise Against Hunger is an international hunger relief non-profit organization that coordinates the packaging and distribution of food and other life-changing aid to people in developing nations.

Once again, our event will have two shifts: 10 a.m. – 12 p.m and 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. All ages from 4 years and up are welcome. We will provide childcare for younger children during the morning shift. Each shift will be limited to 60 volunteers. To sign up for a shift, please visit <http://events.riseagainsthunger.org/CMPC>  
The cost is \$0.29/meal, so the total cost for our 20,000 meal event is \$5,800. CMPC's Mission and Local Outreach Committee is funding a portion of the effort, and we are hoping to raise the balance of funds through donations. You may contribute to the cause by making a donation when you register online, by contributing to the "5th Sunday" offering (which will occur on March 31), and/or making a donation at the actual event.

Participants of all ages in our past meal packing events have found them meaningful and a whole lot of fun! Please feel free to invite friends outside of the CMPC community to join us! Questions? Contact Jennifer Seinfeld (410-908-6431, [jenniferseinfeld@gmail.com](mailto:jenniferseinfeld@gmail.com))



**CMPC Welcomes the Westminster College Concert Choir!**

CMPC is fortunate once again to host the Westminster College Concert Choir on Tuesday, May 14th at 7:30 p.m. in our sanctuary as part of their spring tour. Westminster is the Alma Mater of our own Pastor Hoffman, member Allison Miller, and friend of CMPC Rev. Bob Culp! After the concert on the 14th, we will have the opportunity to provide housing for the night and will serve guests breakfast the morning of May 15th prior to their departure for their next concert. If you would be willing to host some students in your home the evening of the 14th please contact Joy Exner after worship or via email ([joyousmusic@yahoo.com](mailto:joyousmusic@yahoo.com)) to give her your name, contact information, and how many students you are willing to host.

**Musical Treats & Sweets**

Join us for CMPC's 14th annual Musical Treats & Sweets on Sunday, June 9 from 6-8pm! The event is held to raise funds for our high schoolers, college students and adult leaders to attend the GenOn Youth Summit in July. In addition to a variety of musical performances, there will be a silent auction, raffles, special snacks and other fun surprises! Stay tuned for the theme to be revealed soon.

**All-Church Mission Trip**

Once again this summer a group of folks from CMPC (and other churches) will descend upon Mars Hill, NC from July 7-13 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](mailto:pastor.hoffman@cmpcusa.org) or 410-997-8011.

If you missed the opportunity to participate in the **Realizing the Vision Campaign** and would like more information feel free to pick up a campaign packet on the table outside of Fellowship Hall. Please direct any questions to Bob Clemens at 240-381-7083 or [bobclemens3@yahoo.com](mailto:bobclemens3@yahoo.com).