

Welcome!

If you are worshipping with us for the first time, we hope you will worship with us again! Please introduce yourself as you feel comfortable. 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

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

Serving in our Military

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 Co-Coordinators: Donna Uecker-mann and Kaleigh Thomas

LOGOS Director: Lindsey Kim

Clerk of Session: Janene Holzberg

Moderator of Deacons: Cindy Pettit

Treasurer: Bob Ashman

Calendar:

Sun 15	10:30	Worship/Christmas Pageant, sanctuary
	2:00	Urdu Worship, FH
	6:00	Christmas Caroling, neighborhood, FH
Mon 16	6:30	Kickboxing, Open area
	7:00	Session and Deacons, FH
Tues 17	7:00	Boy Scouts, FH, classrooms
	7:00	Friendship Circle, Faith
Wed 18	5:00	LOGOS, entire building
Thur 19	9:00	Preschool program, sanctuary, FH
	10:30	Shawl Ministry, Classroom 3
	6:30	Cub Scouts, FH, Classrooms
	7:00	Choir Rehearsal, sanctuary
Fri 20	9:00	Preschool program, sanctuary, FH, Trinity
Sat 21	9:00	Cantata Rehearsal, sanctuary, FH
	6:00	Pakistani Christmas Carols, FH, kitchen
Sun 22	10:30	Worship/Cantata, sanctuary
	2:00	Urdu Worship, FH



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Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

December 15, 2019, 10:30 a.m.
Third Sunday of Advent

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

The First Nowell

arr. C. Curry

Welcome and Announcements

Lighting of the Advent Candles

Bob, Ryan, Abby, Meghan and Lucas Jenkins

Response -insert

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

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

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

**Call to Worship

L: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon the holy name of the most high God.

P: The Lord is our strength and our salvation.

L: Proclaim the mercy of the One who comes as one of us.

P: The Lord is our strength and our salvation.

L: With joy you will draw water from the wells of peace.

P: The Lord is our strength and our salvation. Hallelujah! Amen.

L: Let us worship God!

**Hymn – 105

People Look East

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

In your presence, Holy God, we confess that we need repentance. We have broken your commands against idolatry. We do not live in peace with your creation or your people. We have not trusted your word, and we are afraid. Forgive us, restore us, and turn our shame into praise, for the sake of the One who proclaims the good news and for the sake of all 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 – 103

Come Now, O Prince of Peace

Come now, O Prince of Peace;
make us one body.
Come, O Lord Jesus;
reconcile all people.

Christmas Pageant - insert

Offertory

*For Children at Christmas
(Cradle Song, an American Carol)*

arr. J. Kirkpatrick

**Doxology - 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

**Hymn – 92

While We Are Waiting, Come

**Benediction

Postlude

O, How Joyfully with Joy to the World

arr. C. Berry

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

Thank you to Allen Exner, Jeff Bruce and Brad Bruce for operating the sound board this week!

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Sign Ups Now Open - Volunteer for the Cold Weather Shelter at CMPC!

The Cold Weather Shelter (CWS) is a partnership with the Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center, the faith community, and the Howard County government to provide shelter to those families and individuals who are in need of a warm place to stay during the colder months of the year. Following the expansion of our facility, the shelter is returning to CMPC this year and will be held from the evening of Monday, December 30th through the morning of Monday, January 6th to provide shelter for those enrolled in the CWS.

The sign-ups are online and now open at <http://bit.ly/cws-at-cmpc>. Volunteers will be in the hallway after the worship service on Sundays to assist you with signing up.

If you have questions, please email cws.at.cmpc@gmail.com. Thank you for supporting the CWS at CMPC!

Advent GIFT

The Christian Education Committee's Advent GIFT (Generations In Faith Together) bags are still available for pick up today. Join the private Facebook group here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/329618077822268/>

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!



Break Bread & Connect Lunch

After a brief break in December, the BBC Lunch is back, and everyone is invited! Please join us for a relaxing lunch at 11:45 AM on January 20th at Whole Foods Market (10275 Little Patuxent Pkwy., Columbia, 21044). There is no agenda, and no reservations are necessary (but it is fun to respond on our private Facebook group so your friends can look forward to seeing you there). All ages are encouraged to come! Once you've gotten your food, come sit with the group in the dining area, and enjoy the fun and fellowship. To join our private Facebook group for BBC Lunch announcements, please contact Laura Walker Frantz (Chair, Fellowship Committee) through Facebook.

Offering Envelopes

Offering Envelopes for 2020 are available for pick up in the hallway. If you do not have a box of envelopes assigned to you and would like a box please contact Missy Sullivan at missy.sullivan@cmpcusa.org or 443-838-2836.

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.

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