



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**March 29, 2020 10:30 a.m.**

## Order of Worship

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

**Prelude** *Behold the Lamb/When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* arr. L. Mayfield

“Behold the Lamb, behold the Lamb; slain from the foundation of the world. For sinners crucified,  
O holy sacrifice; behold the Lamb of God, behold the Lamb.”  
(by Dottie Rambo, 1979; New Spring Publishing, Inc.)

“When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died; my richest gain I count but loss,  
and pour contempt on all my pride.” (by Isaac Watts, 1707; (Glory to God Presbyterian Hymnal, 2013)

### 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** Allen Exner

L: It is good to praise the LORD

**P: and make music to your name, O Most High,**

L: to proclaim your love in the morning

**P: and your faithfulness at night.**

L: Let us worship God!

**\*\*Hymn – 32** *I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

#### **\*\*Silent Prayer of Confession**

#### **\*\*Common Prayer of Confession**

**O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live, who could stand? We seem to have more faith in death than hope in your promise of life. We seek peace through war and find security in weapons. We abandon the hungry, sick, and dying, and pursue wealth by making others poor. And even so, you love us; still there is forgiveness with you! Therefore we worship you; for you alone, O Lord, can save us from death and redeem us from our sin. 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 – 581** *Glory Be to the Father*

### Moment with Children

### Prayer for Illumination

#### Scriptures

Ezekiel 37:1-14

John 11:1-45

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon** Living Again Rev. Scott Hoffman

**\*\*Hymn - 215** *What Wondrous Love Is This*

**Offertory** *The Church's One Foundation* arr. S. Pethel

**\*\*Doxology - 606** *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*

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

**\*\*Hymn – 546** *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*

#### **\*\*Benediction**

**Postlude** *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us* by Thrupp/Bradbury (1836), arr. D. Wood

“Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care; In Thy pleasant pastures feed us,  
For our use Thy folds prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are;  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.”  
(Glory to God Presbyterian Hymnal, 2013)

Thank you to Neil Danzig for providing video and audio support this week!

## 32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.

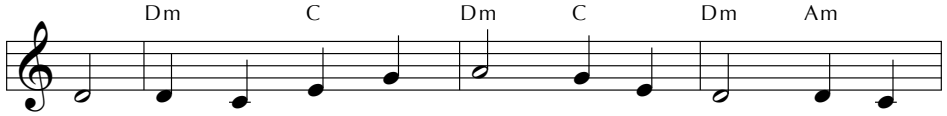
that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y  
 God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them  
 And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy

skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.  
 good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,  
 throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.

# What Wondrous Love Is This 215



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my  
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing  
 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will  
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What  
 down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when  
 sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to  
 on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of  
 I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous  
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my  
 frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my  
 AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will  
 be, and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!  
 soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul!  
 sing; while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!  
 on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

With its ballad-like repetitions before and after each stanza's central narrative lines, this meditative text needs performance in order to be effective. Its haunting melody proves the means of convincing us that the only adequate response to "wondrous love" is to "sing on."

# 606 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

## Doxology

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise \*him, all crea-tures

here be - low; praise \*him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise

Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

\*Or "God"

## 546 Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

1 Lord, dis - miss us with your bless - ing; fill our hearts with  
 2 Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's  
 3 Sav - ior, when your love shall call us, from our strug - gling

joy and peace; let us each, your love pos - sess - ing,  
 joy - ful sound; may the fruits of your sal - va - tion  
 pil - grim way, let no fear of death ap - pall us,

tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace. O re - fresh us,  
 in our hearts and lives a - bound. Ev - er faith - ful,  
 glad your sum - mons to o - bey. May we ev - er,

O re - fresh us, trav - eling through this wil - der - ness.  
 ev - er faith - ful to your truth may we be found.  
 may we ev - er reign with you in end - less day.

This hymn of corporate benediction is one of several using the same first line. It was written by a Baptist pastor who dedicated his entire ministry to a small church in rural Yorkshire. The tune used here was first transcribed from Sicilian sailors in the late 18th century.