



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

April 19, 2020 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Lord of the Dance

arr. L. Shackley

"I danced in the morning when the world was begun, and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun, and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth; at Bethlehem I had my birth. Dance, then, wherever you may be; I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. And I'll lead you all wherever you may be, And I'll lead you all in the dance, said he." (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**

Chad Board

L: Blessed be the God of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

P: God has given us a new birth in the living hope of the resurrection.

L: God has given us an inheritance that is imperishable and unfading.

P: In this we rejoice, even when we suffer trials.

L: For although we have not seen Jesus, we love him; and although we have not seen him, we believe in him.

P: For the outcome of our faith is the salvation of our souls.

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn – 35**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from the grave and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the way of the world and failed to give him glory. Forgive us and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body. 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

Marilyn Mills

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

1 John 1:1-2:2

John 20:19-31

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Lessons of Thomas

Rev. Scott Hoffman

**Hymn -

When Thomas Heard from Jesus

by C.W. Gilette, music by H.T. Smart

Sung to the tune of *The Day of Resurrection*

When Thomas heard from Jesus, "Now come and follow me,"
He surely went with gladness, for there was much to see.
He witnessed Jesus' teaching and saw his healing touch;
He found a faith to guide him, a friend he loved so much.

When Jesus spoke of heaven, bold Thomas dared to say,
"We don't know where you're going! How can we know the way?"
He wanted understanding of what he could not see.
Then Jesus reassured him, "The way is here — through me."

When crowds began to murmur and leaders raised their cry,
Brave Thomas spoke out firmly, "Let's go with him and die."
He ate at Jesus' table, partaking wine and bread;
Yet later with the others, he saw the cross and fled.

What joy on Easter evening when many saw the Lord!
Yet Thomas was not with them and would not trust their word.
When Christ appeared before him, his doubts were quickly gone;
He gladly knew that evening the joy of Easter dawn.

That man of faith saw Jesus at breakfast by the sea;
At Pentecost he witnessed so others would believe.
O Lord, may we — like Thomas — keep growing day by day;
Increase our faith and guide us, for Lord, you are the Way.

Offertory

The Strife Is O'er, the Battle Done

arr. C. Berry

"Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia! The strife is o'er, the battle done; the victory of life is won; the song of triumph has begun. Alleluia!" (Glory to God Presbyterian Hymnal, 2013)

**Doxology - 606

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

**Hymn - 542

God Be with You Till We Meet Again

****Benediction**

Postlude

Lift High the Cross

arr. L. Shackley

“Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name.
Come, Christians, follow where the Master trod, our King victorious, Christ the Son of God.
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name.”

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

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

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"

542 God Be with You Till We Meet Again

1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; lov - ing
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; un - seen
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's
 4 God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's

coun - sels guide, up - hold you, with a shep - herd's care en -
 wings pro - tect - ing hide you, dai - ly man - na still pro -
 per - ils thick con - found you, put un - fail - ing arms a -
 ban - ner float - ing o'er you; smite death's threat - ening wave be -

fold you:
 vide you:
 round you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.
 fore you:

After writing the first stanza of his "Christian Good-bye," the author sent it to two composers, one celebrated and one unknown, to see how each would set it. This is the second person's tune, which the author found more effective and used for the hymn's first publication.

We anticipate converting to a mortgage this year, but because of COVID-19 we are delayed in wrapping up final punch list items. Once we do convert to a mortgage annual payments are estimated to be \$216,000. Our monthly payment will move from \$10,000 per month (interest) to \$18,000 (principal and interest).

Thanks to the response we've had up to this point, we have around \$400,000 on hand to put toward monthly payments.

We still have \$433,000 in outstanding Realizing the Vision pledge payments scheduled for 2020 and 2021. We have much to be thankful for in these challenging times and appreciate everyone's continued commitment to "realize the vision".

For those who have not had a chance to make a pledge to Realizing the Vision Campaign or would like more information please feel free to contact Bob Clemens – 240.381.7083 or bobclemens3@yahoo.com.

Realizing the Vision Campaign Total
\$1,257,000

Realizing the Vision Payments received
\$824,300