



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

June 20, 2021 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Here I Am to Worship

arr. C. Tornquist

Psalm 95:6 *Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!*

"Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You. So, here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me."

(words and music by T. Hughes; Thankyou Music; admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing, 2000)
(this piano solo: Thankyou Music/EMI CMG Publishing, 2001)

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**

Jeff Bloom

L: How very good and pleasant it is when sisters and brothers live together in unity!

P: It is like the precious oil on the head, like the dew that falls on the mountains of Zion.

L: Together, let us worship God.

****Hymn - 612**

We Praise You, O God

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Most merciful God, forgive us. We imagine that we can live without you, when you give us our very breath. We seek control over others rather than strive to live in unity. We allow fear to overtake us, even though our lives are in your hands. Draw us back into your steadfast love and shape us into the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

****Assurance of Pardon**

L: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel...

P: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

****Response - 447**

We Are Forgiven

Moment with Children

Sarah Trodden

Special Music

How Deep the Father's Love for Us
piano/organ duet

arr. D. E. Wagner

1 John 3:1: *See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!*

"How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure; that He should give His only Son, to make a wretch His treasure. How great the pain of searing loss. The Father turns His face away, as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory."
(by Stuart Townend, 1995; Thankyou Music; admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)
(this duet: Thankyou Music; admin. by EMI CMG Publishing, 1995)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

The Underdog

Rev. Scott Hoffman

**Hymn - 39

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Offertory

I've Got the Joy

arr. P. Choplin

Romans 15:13: *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

"I've got the joy, joy, joy, joy, down in my heart, down in my heart, down in my heart.
I've the joy, joy, joy, joy, down in my heart, down in my heart to stay.
I've got the love of Jesus, down in my heart, etc.
I've got the peace that passeth understanding down in my heart, etc."
(by G.W. Cooke, 1926; song is public domain) (this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2018)

**Doxology - 710

We Lift Our Voices

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

**Hymn - 269

Lead On, O King Eternal!

**Benediction

Postlude

This Is My Father's World

arr. R. Summers

Colossians 1:16: *For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.*

"This is my Father's world. O, let me ne'er forget, that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet. This is my Father's world. The battle is not done: Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one."
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Announcements and Upcoming Events

Our Financial Resources Doing God's Work

An update on some details about our finances. Thank you for your generosity to CMPC!

As of May 31, 2021 (42% of calendar year):

Actual Income \$199,410 - 40% of budget

Actual Expenses \$203,456 - 40% of budget

New Mask Guidance from Session

The Session of CMPC has voted to lift the mask mandate for outdoor gatherings here on the church grounds. Unvaccinated participants are still encouraged to wear masks if participating in outdoor events for their own safety.

Prospective Mission Trip

The Mission and Local Outreach Committee is considering a mission trip to New Bern, NC sometime during the summer. We would work with Fuller Center Disaster Rebuilders to rehabilitate homes affected by the floods there in 2018. Duration and timing would depend on the availability of the volunteers. If interested, please contact Bob Ashman rta3512@gmail.com.

From the CARE Group

Maryland is offering a free program called "Senior Call Check". Residents 65 or older can sign up to receive a daily phone call to verify your well-being. The call will be scheduled for a time of day that is convenient for you. Find out more and register by going to aging.maryland.gov, or call 1-866-502-0560. M-F 8-5 and Sat. 9-3.

New Christian Education links

Please visit the Christian Education Resources page on our website to watch some new, short videos on simple faith practices to use at home. The topics are Serving Others, Dinnertime, Bedtime, and Mindfulness. These videos are from pastor and author Traci Smith.



Bridge of Hope

Bridge of Hope Greater Baltimore Region is looking for a few specific items for a new family of 7 coming into the program in Baltimore. Please contact Sue Ashman at 301-498-0978 or email her at ashmanmom@gmail.com if you can help out.

Needs: Living Room furniture, Window shades/curtains, full-size box spring, area rugs, Front and Rear door entry mats.

Financial contributions are also always welcome! We greatly appreciate any assistance you can provide. Thank you and God bless you.

Do you enjoy planning events for our community? Bridge of Hope Greater Baltimore Region is seeking a few volunteers to help with a community event and fundraiser in August. Please contact Sue Ashman 301-498-0978 if you would like to join the fun!

We Praise You, O God

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1 We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor;
 2 We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers and moth - ers;
 3 With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer

in grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring.
 through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been.
 and glad - ly our songs of thanks - giv - ing we raise.

We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
 When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,
 With you, Lord, be - side us, your strong arm will guide us.

we bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
 and with your help, O Lord, our strug - gles we win.
 To you, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise!

The author wrote this text when only nineteen years old in response to a request from the organist of the Brick Presbyterian Church in New York City, who wanted another Thanksgiving text to sing to this Dutch tune. He regarded the usual text (see no. 336) as too full of conflict.

FORGIVENESS

447

We Are Forgiven

G Am D7 Gsus G C
 We are for - giv - en. We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to
 G Am7 Dsus D G Am
 God. Thanks be to God. We are for - giv - en.
 D7 Gsus G C G Am7 D G
 We are for - giv - en. Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

To sing, rather than simply say, a response to the Declaration of Forgiveness has the effect of making the moment both more affirmative and more corporate. The musical repetition of the two sentences also strengthens awareness of what it means to be assured of God's pardon.

39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 *Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.

Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.
 날 마 다 자 비 를 베 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주

We Lift Our Voices

We Are an Offering

710

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our
 lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our
 voice - es; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our
 lives; they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.
 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
 voice - es; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:
 we are an of-fer-ing; we are an of-fer-ing.

This praise and worship song can best be understood as reflecting on and expanding 1 Chronicles 29:14b: "For all things come of you, [O Lord,] and of your own have we given you." There are also echoes of Paul's appeal for Christians to be living sacrifices (Romans 12:1).

269 Lead On, O King Eternal!

1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,

hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents shall be our home.
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
 for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears;

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong,
 for not with swords' loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums;
 your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light.

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
 with deeds of love and mer - cy the heav - en - ly king - dom comes.
 The crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Not everything that looks like a battle ends up being one. This text, written for a seminary graduation, works well with its martial tune in the first stanza; but later stanzas turn from such imagery and focus on "deeds of love and mercy" and courage for life's journey.