



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

August 1, 2021 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**i indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

arr. L. Shackley

Psalm 35: 28: *Then my tongue shall tell of your righteousness and of your praise all day long.*

"O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise, the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace! My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread thru all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name. To God all glory, praise, and love be now and ever given, by saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heaven."

(words by C. Wesley, 1739; music by C.G. Glaser, 1828; words and music are public domain)
(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2017)

Welcome and Announcements

Marilyn Mills

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: Who will be your people?

P: God's people will be my people

L: Where will you go?

P: Wherever God leads

L: What are you willing to leave behind?

P: Everything

L: May our worship today lead us to a place where all of this may be so. Let us worship God.

****Hymn - 366**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Holy and merciful God, forgive us when we walk away from you and then wonder where you are. Forgive us when we fail to see the signs you place along our path. Forgive us when we are too distracted to revel in the wonder of creation. Forgive us when we forget who we are and whose we are. Remind us that we are not a lost, but a found people. And that there is no place we can go where you are not. 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

Marilyn Mills

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

John 15:12-17

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Ruth 1:6-22

Riley Jackson, Marilyn Mills, Mollie Thomas

Sermon

You've Got a Friend in Me

Liz Perraud

Word in Music

One Day, Naomi and Ruth Crossed the Border
Tom Engle and Allen Exner, duet

by C.W. Gillette

(words by C.W. Gillette, 2018; carolynshymns.com)

(music (tune O Quanta Qualia) is by P. Antiphoner, 1681; music is public domain)

****Hymn - 306**

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Invitation to Offering

There are numerous ways to give to the work of CMPC. Offering plates are located near the exits of the sanctuary for checks or cash to be left today. Cards with a QR code that will direct you to our online giving page are located in the pew racks. Donations can always be mailed to the church at any time using the address on the back page of the bulletin. Thank you for your gift!

Offertory

Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

arr. F. Bock

Matthew 6: 33: *But seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you.*

"Seek ye first the kingdom of God and its righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you. Allelu, alleluia! Ask, and it shall be given unto you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and the door shall be opened unto you. Allelu, alleluia!"

(words and music by K. Lafferty, 1971; Maranatha! Music/Capitol CMB Publishing, 1972)

(this piano solo: Maranatha! Music, 1972 and 1991)

****Doxology - 710**

We Lift Our Voices

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

****Hymn – 465**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

****Benediction**

Colossians 3: 16-17: *Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

"Sent forth by God's blessing, our true faith confessing, the people of God from His dwelling take leave. The Supper is ended, O now be extended, the fruits of this service in all who believe. The seed of His teaching, receptive souls reaching, shall blossom in action for God and for all. His grace did invite us, His love shall unite us to work for God's kingdom and answer His call."

(tune (Ash Grove) by O. Westendorf, 1964; World Library Publications, Inc., 1964)
(this piano solo (a traditional Welsh folk melody): Lorenz Publishing Co., 2012)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



**American
Red Cross**

Together, we can save a life

2021 Red Cross Blood Drive

CMPC is hosting its annual Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, August 12, 2021 from 2:00-7:30. Note that this is the second Thursday in August. We did such a great job in past years that they have upped our goal this year. We need everyone to volunteer to donate blood and save up to 3 lives! Our goal is to collect at least 25 units this year! Sign up online today on our events page!

This is by appointment only, no walk-ins. Please share this with friends and neighbors, especially in the Allview neighborhood. THERE IS A CRITICAL BLOOD SHORTAGE THIS YEAR!! PLEASE DONATE!!



Christian Coordinates

Mark your calendars for the next summer GIFT event!

Friday, August 20th from 6 - 7:30 pm!

It will be a fun night of fellowship, games and a scavenger hunt!

Join your church family on an adventure discovering the Armor of God!



ReBuilding Together Work Day—Save the Date

This year's Rebuilding Together Howard County (RTHC) is scheduled for October 16, 2021. A team of volunteers from CMPC will use this day to make home improvements for a homeowner in need within our local community. We are working with the RTHC team now to pick the home. More can be found about RTHC at www.rebuildingtogetherhowardcounty.org. Please consider volunteering for this very meaningful event. If you are interested, you can contact the team captain, Joshua Gliptis at jbgliptis@gmail.com or by phone at 410-804-3228.

The RTHC workday event, for which CMPC has participated for many years, is a very noble cause and a very tangible opportunity for us to put our faith into action. The RTHC group qualifies all applicants and the need is real, even within our blessed and relatively affluent community. Those who have participated in the workdays in the past have found it very rewarding. A single day's work by the volunteer teams have provided many meaningful improvements to the homeowner which they will appreciate and enjoy for many days to come. Please consider volunteering for this year's work day!

366 Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heaven, to
 2 Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - ery
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down, fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing; all thy
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -

faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion;
 find the prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,
 ly re - stored in thee: changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,

This text and this tune occur in almost all English-language hymnals (though not always together). The transforming power of love motivates the unending praise of the life to come, and this fine Welsh tune (whose name means "delightful") gives us a foretaste of endless song.

CHRIST'S RETURN AND JUDGMENT

pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee
 till in heaven we take our place, till we cast our

thy sal - va - tion; en - ter ev - ery trem - bling heart.
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise.

FORGIVENESS

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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.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds 306

1 Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in
 2 Be - fore our *Fa - ther's throne we pour our
 3 We share our mu - tual woes; our mu - tual
 4 When we are called to part, it gives us
 5 From sor - row, toil, and pain, and sin we

Chris - tian love. The fel - low - ship of
 ar - dent prayers. Our fears, our hopes, our
 bur - dens bear. And of - ten for each
 in - ward pain; but we shall still be
 shall be free; and per - fect love and

kin - dred minds is like to that a - bove.
 aims are one, our com - forts and our cares.
 oth - er flows the sym - pa - thiz - ing tear.
 joined in heart, and hope to meet a - gain.
 friend - ship reign through all e - ter - ni - ty.

*Or "Maker's"

Written to express a pastor's unwillingness to leave a beloved congregation, this hymn is frequently used as an expression of Christian fellowship, especially at the conclusion of the Lord's Supper. The tune is attributed to an influential Swiss musician and publisher.

We Lift Our Voices

We Are an Offering

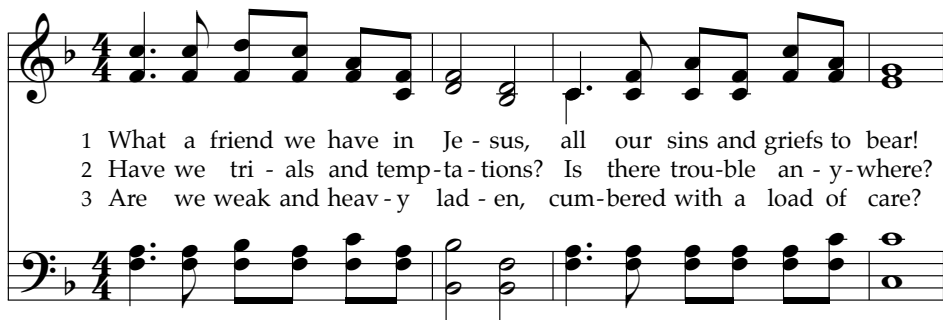
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We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our
 lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our
 voice - es; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our
 lives; they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.
 All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope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

465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

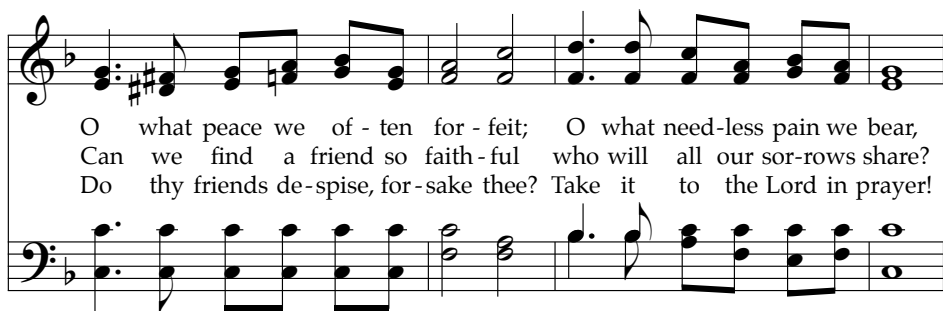
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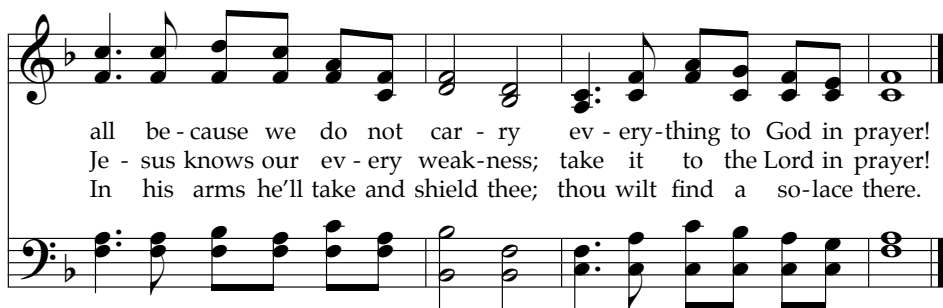
1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum-bere'd with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need - less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor - rows share?
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak - ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas.