



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**September 19, 2021 10:30 a.m.**

## Order of Worship

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

### **Prelude**

*I Lift My Eyes Up, with All Creatures of Our God and King*

arr. C. Tornquist

Psalm 121: 1-2: *I lift up my eyes to the mountains; where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.*

"I lift my eyes up to the mountains. Where does my help come from? My help comes from You, Maker of heaven, creator of the earth. Oh how I need You Lord. You are my only hope. You're my only prayer. So I will wait for You to come and rescue me. Come and give me life."  
(words and music by B. Doerksen; 1990, Mercy/Vineyard Publishing; admin. by Integrity Music)

"All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing, alleluia, alleluia!  
O brother sun with golden beam, O sister moon with silver gleam, sing praises! Alleluia!  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!"

(by St. Francis of Assisi, 1225; translated by W. H. Draper; time is Lasst Uns Erfreuen, composed in 1623;  
words and music are public domain)

(this piano solo: Vineyard Songs; Canada/Ion Publishing; admin. by Music Services, Inc., 1990)

### **Introit**

*Surely the Presence of the Lord*  
(see insert)

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Minute for Camping**

### **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: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

**P: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.**

L: We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.

**P: We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.**

L: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

**P: Teach us your ways and make straight our paths in this hour of worship and always.**

L: Let us worship God!

### **\*\*Hymn - 299**

*You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim*

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

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

**O God, who makes known to us all truth, we confess that we are weighed down by our failings: envy distances us from other people; greed alerts us only to our own desires. Where we might bring reconciliation, we create conflicts. Where you call us to give, we take. Where your presence beckons, we resist. Deal with us not as we deserve, O God, but forgive us, cleanse us, and teach us your way. 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 – 447**

*We Are Forgiven*

**Moment with Children**

Liz Perraud

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scriptures**

Psalm 1  
Mark 9:30-37

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

First and Last

Rev. Scott Hoffman

**\*\*Hymn - 457**

*How Happy Are the Saints of God*

**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**

*Our God*

arr. J. Koerts

*Psalm 95:6-8: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker; for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.*

*“Water You turned into wine, opened the eyes of the blind; there’s no one like You, none like You. Into the darkness You shine, out of the ashes we rise; there’s no one like You, none like You. Our God is greater, our God is stronger; God You are higher than any other. Our God is healer, awesome in power, our God, our God. And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us; and if our God is with us, then what could stand against? And if our God is for us, then who could ever stop us; and if our God is with us, then what could stand against? Our God is greater, our God is stronger; God You are higher than any other. Our God is healer, awesome in power, our God, our God.”*

(words and music by J. Reeves/C. Tomlin/M. Redman/J. Myrin, 2010; Atlas Mountain Songs; admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)  
(this piano solo: ThankYou Music/SixSteps Music; Vamos Publishing and Atlas Mountain Songs, 2010)

**\*\*Doxology - 710**

*We Lift Our Voices*

**Prayers of Thanksgiving with The Lord’s Prayer (using “debts”)**

**\*\*Hymn – 697**

*Take My Life*

**\*\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Savior, Again To Thy Dear Name We Raise*

arr. W. Held

2 Thessalonians 3:16: *Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means.  
The Lord be with you all.*

“Savior, again to your dear name we raise, with one accord our parting hymn of praise.  
We give you thanks before our worship cease, and now departing, wait your word of peace.”

(words by J. Ellerton, 1866; music by E. Hopkins, 1869; hymn is public domain)  
(this organ solo: Augsburg Publishing House, 1972)

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# Announcements and Upcoming Events



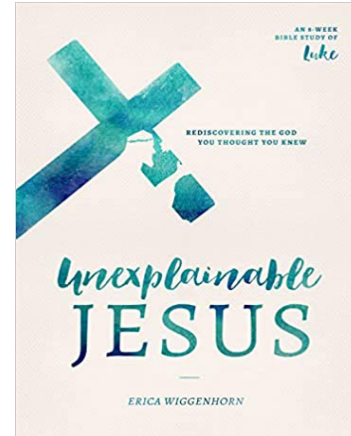
## Plan to celebrate!

Join us on Sunday, October 3 when we'll recognize a milestone of ten years of ministry with CMPC and Rev. Scott Hoffman. There will be special plans in worship that morning followed by an outdoor gathering for lunch, presentations, and fun on the lawn. We will be in the upper parking lot area after worship, so no parking there that morning.

If you will be joining us for lunch, please RSVP on the events page ([cmpcusa.org/events](http://cmpcusa.org/events)) by September 30 (at the latest) so that we can plan well. Please bring your own lawn chair.

## The Monday Morning Women's Bible Study Group Monday September 27th at 9:30

Come join the Bible Study women for our upcoming study, "Unexplainable Jesus" by Erica Wiggerhorn. The group meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month during September through May. For more information, please contact Miriam Miller at 410-531-6528 or [jtmillerj@verizon.net](mailto:jtmillerj@verizon.net).



## New Security Cameras

Please note that the church recently installed security cameras at numerous points on the exterior of the building to improve safety and security on our grounds. These are in addition to the Ring video doorbell devices we have had at the entrance off the parking plot and the doors by the playground. If you see one of the cameras, feel free to wave!



## Our Financial Resources Doing God's Work

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

As of August 31, 2021 (67% of calendar year):

Actual Income \$319,241 - 64% of budget

Actual Expenses \$309,514 - 61% of budget

## Your 5th Sunday Mission Offering at work

LARS (Laurel Advocacy and Referral) sends thank you for the funds collected in May. They are a faith based organization that provides support for the surrounding area. With a professional staff and volunteers they provide emergency assistance, shelter, eviction prevention and life skills and parenting workshops. They also maintain a food pantry. They are grateful for the funds raised and support of our congregation.

# Surely The Presence Of The Lord

Words and Music by  
Lanny Wolfe

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CHORUS

D F#m Gmaj<sup>9</sup> Em Em<sup>7</sup>

Sure - ly the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place, I can feel His might - y

6 A<sup>7</sup> D G/D A<sup>7</sup> D F#m

pow - er and His grace. I can hear the brush of an - gel's wings I see

11 Gmaj<sup>9</sup> Em Em<sup>7</sup> A<sup>7</sup> Em A<sup>7</sup> D

glo - ry on each face; Surely the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place.

# 299 You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

1 You ser - vants of God, your Mas - ter pro - claim,  
 2 As - cend - ed on high, al - might - y to save,  
 3 "Sal - va - tion to God, who sits on the throne!"  
 4 Then let us a - dore and give him his right:

and pub - lish a - broad Christ's won - der - ful name.  
 he still re - mains nigh; his pres - ence we have.  
 Let all cry a - loud and hon - or the Son.  
 all glo - ry and power, all wis - dom and might,

The name all vic - to - rious of Je - sus ex - tol,  
 The great con - gre - ga - tion his tri - umph shall sing,  
 The prais - es of Je - sus the an - gels pro - claim,  
 all hon - or and bless - ing, with an - gels a - bove,

whose king - dom is glo - rious, who rules o - ver all.  
 as - crib - ing sal - va - tion to Je - sus our King.  
 fall down on their fac - es, and wor - ship the Lamb.  
 and thanks nev - er ceas - ing, and in - fi - nite love!

This hymn resembles many 18th-century drawings that show parallels between worship on earth and worship in heaven, especially as described in Revelation 7:9–11. This 18th-century tune has had many names; the one used here honors the dynasty of British monarchs, 1714–1901.

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.

# 457 How Happy Are the Saints of God

(Psalm 1)

1 How hap - py are the saints of God who do not  
 2 Like deep - ly root - ed trees, they stand be - side an  
 3 While wick - ed ones are whisked a - way like straw be -

heed the wick - ed way; de - light - ing in the  
 ev - er - flow - ing stream. Their fruit is plen - ti -  
 fore the driv - ing wind, the saints are firm - ly

ho - ly Word they seek God's wis - dom night and day.  
 ful and good; their leaves are al - ways grow - ing green.  
 plant - ed still, and God will keep them to the end.

This paraphrase of Psalm 1 celebrates the permanence of God's way in contrast with the transience of wickedness. While the wicked are dried up and scattered, the holy people of God are rooted and nourished. They bear much good fruit and are blessed with an enduring legacy.



# 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 offering. Lord, use our  
 voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our  
 lives; they are yours: we are an offering.  
 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  
 voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:  
 we are an offering; we are an offering.

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).

## Take My Life

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1 Take my life and let it be con-se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al-ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with-hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -  
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.  
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.



5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne,  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee,  
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.