



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

February 13, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

How Deep the Father's Love For Us with Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

arr. C. Tornquist

1 John 4:9: *This is how God showed His love among us: He sent His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him.*

"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"
(words and music by Stuart Townend, 1995; ThankYou Music)

"Love divine, all loves excelling, joy of heav'n, to earth come down; fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown. Jesus, thou art all compassion, pure, unbounded love thou art. Visit us with Thy salvation, enter ev'ry trembling heart."

(words by C. Wesley, 1747; music by R. Prichard, 1831; words and music are public domain)
(this piano solo: ThankYou Music, admin. worshiptogether.com, 1996 and Word Music, 2006)

Introit

Surely the Presence of the Lord
(see insert)

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**

John Salkeld

L: "The Lord is king; let the people tremble."

P: The Lord is enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth shake. . . .

L: Proclaim the greatness of the Lord and worship upon God's holy hill;

P: for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn - 49**

The God of Abraham Praise

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Merciful and gracious God, we bow before your unending compassion, the measure of our falling short. We have not loved as you command. We have not spoken truly. We have not cared for creation, including ourselves, according to your will. What we intend, we have not pursued; what we mean to avoid, we embrace. Help us to know the mind of Christ, that in all thoughts, words, and deeds, our lives might come to honor you. 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 – 515**

I Come with Joy

I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.

Moment with Children

Sarah Trodden

Word in Music

I Give You My Heart with Into My Heart

arr. L. Larson

Mark 12: 30: *And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your mind and with all your strength.*

I Give You My Heart by R. Morgan, Hillsong Publishing, 1995; Into My Heart by H. Clarke, 1924)
(this choral arrangement: Hope Publishing Co., 2007)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Genesis 17:1-7, 15-16
Romans 4:13-25

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Lesson of Abraham

Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn - 51**

To Abraham and Sarah (I Will Be Your God)

Invitation to Offering

There are numerous ways to give to the work of CMPC. Offering plates will be 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

Since Jesus Came Into My Heart

arr. J. Bennett

Galatians 2:20: *It is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

“What a wonderful change in my life has been wrought since Jesus came into my heart;
I have light in my soul for which long I have sought, since Jesus came into my heart.
Since Jesus came into my heart, since Jesus came into my heart; floods of joy o'er my soul
like the sea billows roll, since Jesus came into my heart.”

(words by R. McDaniel; music by C. Gabriel, 1914; words and music are public domain)
(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2016)

****Doxology - 606**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

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

****Hymn – 65**

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

****Benediction**

Postlude

Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart

arr. P. Choplin

Psalms 32:11: *Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!*

"Rejoice, ye pure in heart, rejoice, give thanks, and sing; your festal banner wave on high,
the cross of Christ your King. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!
Still lift your standard high, still chanting as you go; from youth to age, by night and day,
in gladness and in woe. Rejoice, rejoice, rejoice, give thanks, and sing!"
(words by E. Plumptre, 1865; music by A. Messiter, 1883; public domain)
(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2011)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

Sunday Experience

Sunday Experience will be on hiatus until further notice.

2022 Giving Envelopes

If you are planning to make contributions to CMPC via cash or check and would like a box of giving envelopes, please contact Joyce Danzig at Joyce.Danzig@gmail.com.



Investment &
Loan
Program Inc.

Investing in Our Future

In addition to the tremendous support from the congregation through our capital campaigns, the renovation and construction work for our Ministry Expansion is being financed by borrowing from the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP). In order to qualify for the best interest rate, we need to have \$300,000 invested in the PILP program by members and friends of CMPC. Many of our members and friends are already participating, but our investment total recently fell below the \$300,000 minimum. If you have investments that you could transfer to PILP, or if you could add to your existing PILP investment, it would greatly benefit CMPC by keeping our interest rate low. PILP offers term notes (like CDs) and money market type accounts. If you have a self-directed IRA, those funds can be invested in PILP as well. For more information about how to invest and the benefits of investing with PILP, please visit their website at <https://pilp.pcusa.org/>. If you would like to speak to someone who has already invested please contact Bob Ashman (rta3512@gmail.com) and he will be happy to connect you with someone. Thank you for your continued support.

Gun Violence Discussions

Gun violence continues to be its own pandemic in our community, our country, and our world. Peruse any news source these days and you will likely see a story of tragedy involving guns: be it a school shooting, a suicide, an altercation with law enforcement, or any number of other tragic situations. About two years ago, a small group from CMPC gathered to talk, pray and think about what we might do as a congregation to engage with this issue and encourage peace. Unfortunately, after a few meetings we moved into the COVID-19 pandemic and those conversations took a back seat. Now we feel it is time to re-engage. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Pastor Scott at pastor.hoffman@cmpcusa.org. We hope to gather in late February or early March to revive the conversation and think about our role as Christians to make our world a safer place for all.

Helping Hands

Need help? Want to lend a hand? We have set up a new email alias for folks to use to solicit assistance and/or to offer a helping hand. The email alias is cmpchelpers@cmpcusa.org. If you have a need you think your CMPC family can address, this is the new way to reach out. If you would be willing to help whenever you can, this is the new way to learn of the needs. The intent is for this email group to serve as a place for members and friends to solicit help with things like rides to appointments, small household repair needs, grocery pick-ups, etc. So, if you think you may benefit from being able to reach out more easily AND if you would be willing to help when your schedule and skillsets allow, then please contact Kathleen in the church office (office@cmpcusa.org) and request to be added to the email chain.

Talks on Race & Racism

In 2020 the Christian Education committee hosted a discussion of Race & Racism for our congregation. Approximately 48 people participated in at least one discussion with an average of 25 people attending each time. After this series ended, CE polled participants to determine the next steps in moving forward with this discussion. Participants indicated a preference for an outside speaker. Pastor Scott pursued a few possibilities for organizations to facilitate this formal discussion and then recommended The Center, a mission organization of the Baltimore Presbytery. The CE committee has arranged for The Center to provide a program that will lead the next part of this discussion. All members of our congregation are invited to participate in this program.

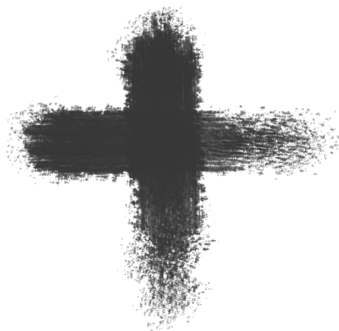
The Center will lead sessions on February 20, and February 27 by Zoom. Each of the sessions will meet from 7:00pm to 8:30pm. The purpose of the program is to learn how to engage responsibly in our community, with a particular focus on antiracist practices. Contact Debbie ONeal (oneal04@aol.com) if you have questions.

Register in advance for this meeting:



CMPC Giving Statements

With the switch to the CMPC Bridge for managing gifts to CMPC, there are new options for receiving statements and a new look to the statements. Members can select how they want to receive their giving statements: mail, email, both mail and email, or none at all. You can also self-generate your statement. Details can be found in a new entry in the CMPC Blog. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce Danzig (joyce.danzig@gmail.com) or Bob Ashman (rta3512@gmail.com).



Ash Wednesday Service

Wednesday, March 2 at 7 p.m.

Please join us as we begin the Lenten season with a service on Ash Wednesday in the sanctuary. Worshippers of all ages are encouraged to attend. The imposition of ashes will be offered.

Surely The Presence Of The Lord

Words and Music by
Lanny Wolfe

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CHORUS

D F#m Gmaj⁹ Em Em⁷

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

6 A⁷ D G/D A⁷ D F#m

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

11 Gmaj⁹ Em Em⁷ A⁷ Em A⁷ D

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

49 The God of Abraham Praise



1 The God of A-braham praise, who reigns en-throned a - bove,
 2 Your spir - it still flows free, high surg - ing where it will.
 3 Your good - ly land we seek, with peace and plen - ty blest,
 4 You have e - ter - nal life im - plant - ed in the soul;



the An - cient of E - ter - nal Days, the God of love!
 In proph-et's word you spoke of old and you speak still.
 a land of sa - cred lib - er - ty and Sab - bath rest.
 your love shall be our strength and stay, while a - ges roll.



The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con-fessed,
 Es - tab - lished is your law, and change-less it shall stand,
 There milk and hon - ey flow, and oil and wine a - bound,
 We praise you, liv - ing God! We praise your ho - ly name:



we bow be - fore your ho - ly name, for - ev - er blest.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart by your strong hand.
 and trees of life for - ev - er grow with mer - cy crowned.
 the first, the last, be - yond all thought, and still the same!



Shaped by its traditional Jewish tune, this selection of English stanzas conveys the essence of the *Yigdal*, a canticle based on a medieval Hebrew statement of faith about the nature of God and often used in synagogue worship, alternately chanted by cantor and congregation.

I Come with Joy

515

Capo 3: (D) (G) (A) (D) (Bm)
 F B^b C F Dm



1 I come with joy, a child of God, for - giv - en, loved, and
 2 I come with Chris-tians far and near to find, as all are
 3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each proud di - vi - sion
 4 The Spir - it of the ris - en Christ, un - seen, but ev - er
 5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound by all that God has

(Asus) (Am) (G) (F#m) (D)
 Csus Cm B^b Am F



free, the life of Je - sus to re - call, in
 fed, the new com - mu - ni - ty of love in
 ends. The love that made us, makes us one, and
 near, is in such friend - ship bet - ter known, a -
 done, we'll go with joy, to give the world the

(Em) (D/F#) (G) (A) (Am7) (D)
 Gm F/A B^b C Cm7 F



love laid down for me, in love laid down for me.
 Christ's com-mu - nion bread, in Christ's com-mu - nion bread.
 strang - ers now are friends, and strang - ers now are friends.
 live a - mong us here, a - live a - mong us here.
 love that makes us one, the love that makes us one.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text affirms that Christian unity is not achievement but gift, one renewed each time we gather for the Lord's Supper. Each of us enters as an "I" and leaves as part of "we." The unadorned language of this text is well matched to the simple shape note tune that sets it here.

51 To Abraham and Sarah

I Will Be Your God

1 To A - bra - ham and Sa - rah the call of God was clear:
 2 From A - bra - ham and Sa - rah a - rose a pil - grim race,
 3 We of this gen - er - a - tion on whom God's hand is laid

"Go forth and I will show you a coun - try rich and fair.
 de - pen - dent for their jour - ney on God's a - bun - dant grace;
 can jour - ney to the fu - ture se - cure and un - a - fraid,

You need not fear the jour - ney, for I have pledged my word
 and in their heart was writ - ten by God this sav - ing word,
 re - joic - ing in God's good - ness and trust - ing in this word,

that you shall be my peo - ple and I will be your God."
 "That you shall be my peo - ple and I will be your God."
 "That you shall be my peo - ple and I will be your God."

This hymn condenses the narrative of Genesis 17:1–22 and grounds it in the recurring statement of the covenant relationship between God and the people God has chosen. This Welsh tune also occurs in a minor version called LLANGLOFFAN, used elsewhere in this hymnal (see no. 362).

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

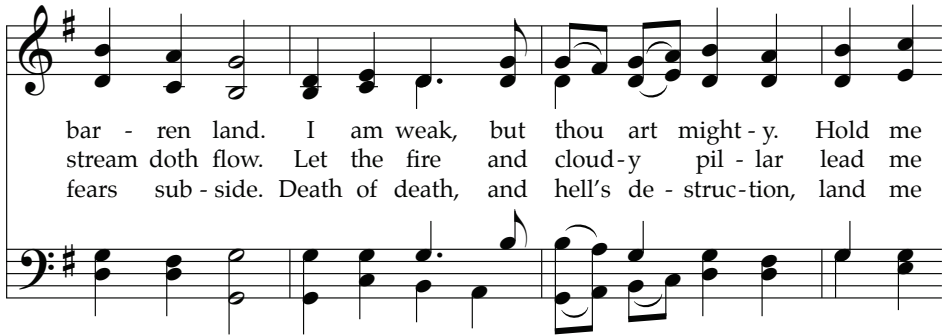
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

*Or "God"

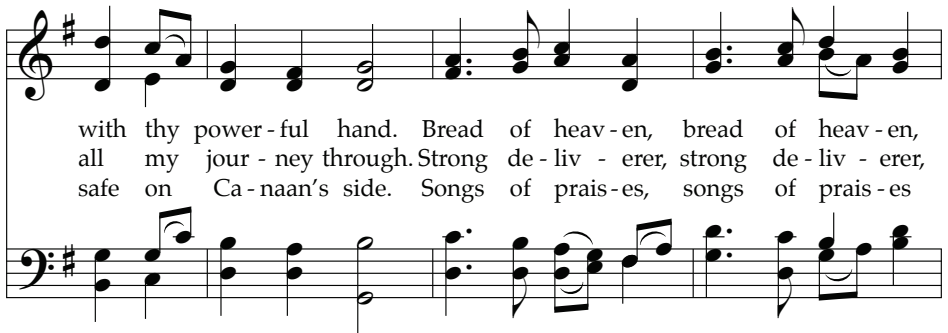
Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah 65



1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun - tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious



bar - ren land. I am weak, but thou art might - y. Hold me
 stream doth flow. Let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar lead me
 fears sub - side. Death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion, land me



with thy power - ful hand. Bread of heav - en, bread of heav - en,
 all my jour - ney through. Strong de - liv - erer, strong de - liv - erer,
 safe on Ca - naan's side. Songs of prais - es, songs of prais - es



feed me till I want no more; feed me till I want no more.
 be thou still my strength and shield; be thou still my strength and shield.
 I will ev - er give to thee; I will ev - er give to thee.

Few Welsh hymns are as well known or loved as this 18th-century text that did not gain its popular tune until the early 20th century. In both its original text and in English translation, it is a stirring hymn of pilgrimage filled with vivid imagery from Hebrew Scripture.