

Christ Memorial

Presbyterian Church

March 13, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God with Awesome God

arr. C. Tornquist

Psalm 18:2: The Lord is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge; my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

"A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing. Our helper he, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing. For still our ancient foe does seek to work us woe; his craft and power are great; and armed with cruel hate, on earth is not his equal."

(words and music attributed to M. Luther, 1529; translated by H. Hedge, 1852; words and music are public domain)

"Our God is an awesome God. He reigns from heaven above; with wisdom pow'r and love, our God is an awesome God!"
(words and music by R. Mullins, 1988; Universal Music/Brentwood Benson Publishing)
(this piano arrangement: Word Music, Inc., 2000)

Introit

Surely the Presence of the Lord (see insert)

Welcome and Announcements

Sarah Trodden

Passing of the Peace (L: Leader; P: People)

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

**Call to Worship

Aaron Aquino

L: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD;

P: Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

L: Let us come before him with thanksgiving,

P: and extol him with music and song.

L: Let us worship God!

**Hymn - insert

Here I am to Worship

**Silent Prayer of Confession

James Board

**Common Prayer of Confession

Dear God, we are sorry for our sins. We often forget about you and put objects before you. We forget what's most important. You forgive us when we are mad at you. You always forgive when we ask for it. We may struggle to forgive but you forgive with ease even if we're too stubborn. Thank you for your kindness and warmness. Amen

**Assurance of Pardon

Mollie Thomas

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

P: ...in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

Glory Be to the Father

Moment with Children Kylee Hoffman

No Sunday Experience today. Children are invited to stay for Youth Sunday.

Word in Music Rest Upon Us arr. S. Hoffman

Kylee Hoffman, solo

Psalm 25:5: Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

(from the album In The Company of Angels II – The World Will Sing, by Caedmon's Call, Essential Records, 2006)

Prayer for Illumination Kofi Akuoko

Scriptures Psalm 119:105-112 Riley Jackson

Isaiah 30: 20-22 1 Timothy 6: 17-19

L: The Word of the Lord. **P: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon God's Guidance on Life's Journey

Nathaniel Lamb, Ben Gallagher, Russell Hong, Peter Nienhuis

****Hymn** - insert Awesome God

Invitation to Offering Kofi Akuoko

There are numerous ways to give to the work of CMPC. Offering plates will be passed through the pews during the offertory and 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 Carol, from 5 Bagatelles, Op.23 by G. Finzi

Mollie Thomas, clarinet solo

Psalm 28:7: The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me.

My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him.

(written for clarinet and piano circa1941; published by Boosey and Hawkes Music Publishers, Ltd., 1945) (this arrangement distributed in USA by Hal Leonard Corporation, 2012)

**Doxology - 710 We Lift Our Voices

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

Aaron Aquino

****Hymn** – insert Go with God

**Benediction Kofi Akuoko and Mollie Thomas

Postlude

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

arr. V. Labenske

Proverbs 3:5-6: Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

"Guide me O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land. I am weak, but Thou art mighty.

Hold me with Thy pow'rful hand. Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed till I want no more; feed

me now and ever more."

(words by W. Williams, 1762; music by J. Hughes, 1907; words and music are public domain) (this piano solo: FJH Music Co., Inc., 2002)

Here I am to Worship, CCLI song #3266032 Awesome God, CCLI song #41099 Go With God: publisher is Geneva Press, a partner of CCLI

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

Changes to CMPC COVID Protocols

At a special called meeting on February 28 the Session of CMPC (prompted by national, state, school system, and other changes to COVID guidance and protocols) voted to change some of our current protocols while keeping others in place.

Here are the updated COVID protocols at CMPC:

- Masks: Masks are welcome but no longer required within the building. However, as the nursery program resumes, masks will be required in that space when children are present and specific programs/ministries/events of the church (the Preschool, LOGOS, etc.) may still require their participants to wear masks when attending.
- Serving food and drink: The moratorium on food and drink service has been lifted. Any groups serving food and drink are strongly encouraged to practice social distancing.
- Contact tracing: The use of sign-in cards for contact tracing for worship will be discontinued.
- Blocked off pews and moving during passing of the peace: For the time being, every other pew will remain blocked off in the sanctuary and we will remain stationary during the passing of the peace. These measures will be revisited at the March Session meeting (March 20).

As always, we appreciate your patience and mutual forbearance as the pandemic continues to play out. It goes without saying, but we encourage and expect that everyone who enters this sacred space will feel welcome and not judged by their choice to mask or not mask and that all will respect one another's varying comfort levels with regards to social distancing.

Let us be a model to others as to how to love and care for one another and (as our LOGOS folks would remind us) to treat one another as the children of God we all are.

No Sunday Experience TODAY or March 27th

Since today is Youth Sunday and March 27th will be the LOGOS musical, there will be no Sunday Experience. Children are encouraged to stay throughout the service.

Nursery

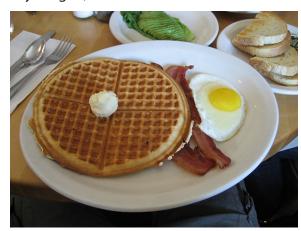
The nursery is now open on Sunday mornings during worship. Staff and children 2+ still need to wear masks while in the nursery.

Fellowship Hour Returns

Fellowship Hour will resume TODAY, following worship. Volunteers are needed for set up and clean up. Please contact Tom Trodden if you are able to help (ttrodden@howardcountymd.gov).

Men's Breakfast Resumes

All men of the church are invited to join us for breakfast on Saturday, March 19th, 8:30 am, location TBD. This is a wonderful time of fellowship during which a brief devotion will be shared and prayers will be offered. Please email Pastor Scott (Pastor. Hoffman@cmpcusa.org) if you plan to attend.

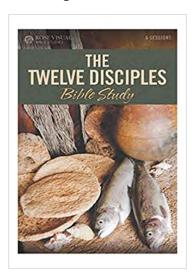




VBS RETURNS!

We are excited for Vacation Bible School to return to Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church this summer. Join us on a Monumental Adventure as we learn about the Greatness of God! Mark your calendars for the week of July 25th. Registration will be opening in early March. To make this a successful week for the kids of Christ Memorial and the community, we need volunteers. Please consider participating in this great church event. We need adult leaders and teen leaders (middle school, high school and college). Please reach out to Heather Gallagher (heathergallagher@yahoo.com) if you are interested in helping!

-Heather Gallagher, Cordelia Lamb and Julie Nienhuis (VBS 2022 Co-Directors)



The Monday Morning Women's Bible Study Group

Join the CMPC women for the study of "The Twelve Disciples" – Rose Bible Study. We meet at 9:30 am in the Trinity Room of CMPC on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month through May 23rd. Please contact Barbara Petro at 410-300-6279 bapetro@aol.com or Miriam Miller at 410-531-6528 jtmillerj@verizon.net for the book and more information.

Lent at Home

The Christian Education Committee is providing a way to further our Lent experience at home. God's World Lent—weekly activities at home for people of all ages—includes a session for Ash Wednesday, five weeks of Lent, and Good Friday. Explore with a short Bible passage, a storytelling prompt, options for simple hands-on activities, and a blessing. Sessions can be done by individuals or with others in the same home. You may do one, some, or all sessions. Choose your own Lent at Home day! https://cmpcusa.org/ministries/christian-education-resources/



Friendship Circle

The Friendship Circle will meet on Tuesday, March 15th at 2:00 pm.

Pine Springs Summer Camp—Director here March 20th

"To provide all campers with a vital encounter with Jesus Christ that leads to growth in Christian faith and discipleship" is the mission of Pine Springs Camp—a Presbyterian summer camp located in Jennerstown, PA. Pine Springs, beloved by the Hoffman family and a favorite of more and more families of the church and community, is the place where you should consider sending your children or grandchildren for an incredible week of fun and faith development. To provide an introduction to the camp and answer any questions you might have, Summer Camp Director Mike Hurley will be at CMPC on Sunday, March 20th. Mike will speak briefly in worship and then have a fuller presentation in the afternoon at 1:00 pm in the Trinity Room. Please plan to attend if you have interest.



Rebuilding Together Howard County

The annual National Rebuild Workday is April 30, 2022. CMPC has participated each year since 2013. Volunteers can be as young as 14 years although volunteers under 18 will need a parental/guardian permission slip signed by April 25th. Josh Gliptis and Wes Millard will be our co-house captains. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Josh Gliptis (jbgliptis@gmail.com) or Wes Millard (wesmillard@gmail.com) for more information.

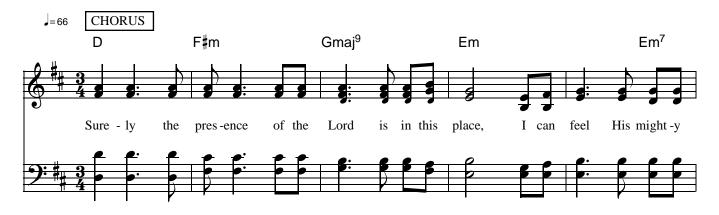


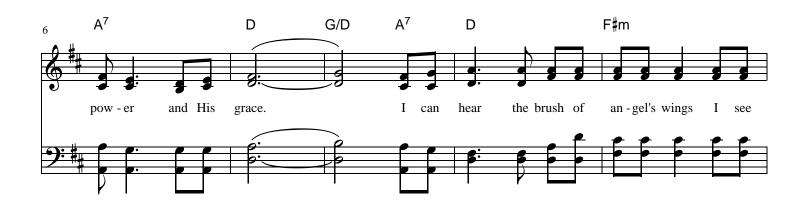
Helping Hands

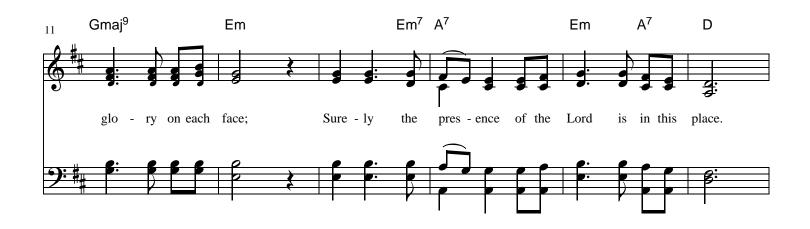
Need help? Want to lend a hand? We have set up a new email alias for folks to use to solicit assistance and/or to offer a helping hand. The email alias is cmpchelpers@cmpcusa.org. If you have a need you think your CMPC family can address, this is the new way to reach out. If you would be willing to help 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.

Surely The Presence Of The Lord

Words and Music by Lanny Wolfe







Here I Am To Worship

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

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Well, I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross (2x)

Here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

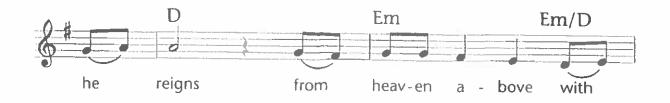
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Awesome God

Ps. 145:1–9; James 3:17 Songs of Praise

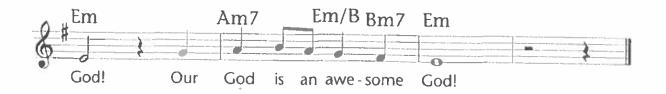
Words and music by Rich Mullins











Go with God

Rom. 8:14 Departing/Benediction

Words and Music by Isaiah Jones, Jr.



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