



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

June 26, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Come, Thou Almighty King

arr. D. Hustad

Psalm 95: 3: *For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.*

"Come, thou almighty King, help us thy name to sing; help us to praise:
Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of Days.
Come, thou incarnate Word, merciful, mighty Lord, our prayer attend. Come, and
Thy people bless, and give thy word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend. To thee,
great One in Three, eternal praises be, hence evermore! Thy sovereign majesty, may we
in glory see, and to eternity love and adore."

(text is anonymous, published in *Hymns for Social Worship* before 1757)
(music: *Italian Hymn*) by F. de Gardini, 1769; words and music are public domain)
(this organ solo: Favorite Organ Hymns by Hope Publishing Co., 2000)

Introit

Surely the Presence of the Lord

Welcome and Announcements

Allen Exner

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: God, who rules the universe, calls us;

P: Christ, who took up his cross, calls us;

L: Holy Spirit, who frees us body and soul, calls us.

P: Let us faithfully answer by worshiping the triune God.

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn – 12**

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Saving God, we confess that our faith is too small and our fear is too great. When we are overwhelmed, we think you do not care enough about us. When life is uncertain and risky, we are not sure we can trust you with our whole hearts. Even when you move among us in powerful ways, we question who you are. Forgive us and calm our fears, we pray. Teach us to trust in your power to save and guide us in every circumstance. Grant us your peace, which is clearly beyond our understanding. In Christ's name we pray. 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 - 288**

Spirit of the Living God
Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.
Melt me; mold me;
fill me; use me.
Spirit of the living God,
fall afresh on me.

Moment with Children

Sarah Trodden

*Children ages preschool—second grade dismissed to Sunday Experience
Please see announcement for special instructions*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Genesis 9:8-17

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Our Covenantal Rainbow

Rev. Bob Culp

****Hymn – 39**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Invitation to Offering

There are numerous ways to give to the work of CMPC. Offering plates will be passed through the pews during the offertory 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

I Love You, Lord

arr. J. Sanborn

Psalm 18: 1: *I love you, O Lord, my strength.*

*"I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice to worship you; O my soul, rejoice. Take joy, my King,
in what you hear; may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear."*

(words and music: Laurie Klein, 1978; Universal Music/Brentwood Publishing)

(this piano solo: House of Mercy Music, 1978)

****Doxology**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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

****Hymn –833**

O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go

****Benediction**

Postlude

How Great Is Our God with Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
Psalm 147:5: *Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.*

arr. C. Tornquist

"The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty; let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light, and darkness tries to hide, and trembles at His voice, and trembles at His voice. How great is our God! Sing with me, how great is our God! And all will see how great, how great is our God!"
(words and music by C. Tomlin/E. Cash/J. Reeves, 2004; [worshiptogether.com/SixSteps Music](http://worshiptogether.com/SixSteps))

Psalm 67:3: *May the peoples praise you, God; may all the peoples praise you.*

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!"
(words: J. Neander, 1680; music (*Lobe Den Herren*) S. Gesangbuch, 1665; words and music are public domain)

(this piano solo: Alletrop Music, 2004; admin. by Music Services, Inc.)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



Welcome back Rev. Culp!

Stepping into the pulpit in Reverend Hoffman's absence today is Reverend Bob Culp. Rev. Culp is a graduate of Westminster College (PA) and Princeton Theological Seminary, where he received his Master of Divinity Degree in 1975 (in Biblical Studies) and his Master of Theology Degree in 1992 (in Homiletics). He served 5 different parishes in the eastern U.S. before his retirement in October, 2013. He and his wife Kathy now reside in Sykesville, MD. Rev. Culp and Kathy are parents to 3 grown daughters and grandparents to 3 grandchildren.

Share Your Musical Gifts This Summer!

Trinity Choir is now on break until September. Please consider offering special music for worship during those weeks. Vocal and instrumental music are welcome additions to our summer services. Please contact Music Director, Joy Exner (joyousmusic@yahoo.com) to sign up. There is a date just for you! Please share your gifts with us!

CMPC to host Presbytery of Baltimore

Christ Memorial will have the distinct privilege of serving as the host for the Presbytery of Baltimore's Gathering on Thursday, **September 8th** (approximately 9:00 am to 3:00 pm). This is the first time CMPC has hosted a Presbytery meeting in many years. To make the day run smoothly we will need a small army of volunteers. We will need help setting up the building the day(s) before. We will need people to help direct parking. We will need folks to serve as guides around the building. We will need volunteers to help serve lunch. And we will need even more. Please mark your calendar now and plan to help us make CMPC as hospitable as possible on September 8. More details to follow.

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, 2022 42% of calendar year):

Actual Income \$202,948 - 44% of budget

Actual Expenses \$215,964 - 41% of budget

Summary of the June 20, 2022 Session Meeting

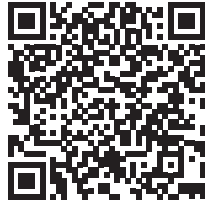
The Session approved a motion that should the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention upgrade or downgrade its weekly covid-19 community level rating for Howard County, CMPC will automatically adhere to the CDC's accompanying guidance on wearing masks. A mask mandate will be instituted in the building when our community level is rated as high; conversely, the mandate will be dropped when our community level is rated as medium or low.

The congregation will be immediately notified by email whenever a change to the church's mask policy occurs, and the church's website and signage will be adjusted as needed.

In other business:

The Session approved a motion from the Christian Education Committee on behalf of Boy Scout Troop 75 to allow them to start a troop for girls in response to input from Scout leaders and parents. Troop 75 will become Troop 75B for boys and Troop 75G for girls. Each troop will have its own scoutmaster and meet separately on the same night at CMPC to permit them to share resources.

Want to help with VBS but can't be here in person? Check out our Amazon wish list to contribute!



The Stewardship Committee presents – Did you know?

Greetings! Once a month the Stewardship Committee hopes to share some interesting information about the work of Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church that is made possible by your gifts. We thank you for your financial support and hope that you can see God at work in our congregation.

Did you know... that each summer CMPC hosts Vacation Bible school for children pre-K through 4th grades? It is a fun-filled week of community building and worship for our youngest members. VBS is an excellent way to bring our children together to nurture their faith and relationship to the church community during a season when there are no school or LOGOS activities. It is also a great way to introduce families from outside the church to CMPC and to welcome them into our wonderful community!

Vacation Bible School relies on your generous contributions to purchase the VBS curriculum and music from the Christian Education budget and to obtain craft and science experiment supplies, decorations, snacks and other needed items to make the week magical for our participants.

VBS is such an exciting, memorable and enjoyable experience for all involved. Our children, families and volunteers gain so much from their time at VBS. It helps to strengthen bonds formed during the year in LOGOS, encourages focus on growing faith and is so much fun! It engenders a sense of belonging to our church family that brings us all together.

The Stewardship Committee would like to send a special thanks to the Christian Education Committee, Heather Gallagher, Cordelia Lamb and Julie Nienhuis for their strong, creative and dedicated leadership of VBS and to all of the wonderful volunteers who make the week possible each year! Without you and the much-appreciated financial contributions from CMPC members, it would not be possible.

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.

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small.
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry; thou dwell - est in light.

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might:
 In all life thou liv - est, the true life of all.
 Thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight.

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice, like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove;
 We blos - som and flour - ish like leaves on the tree,
 All praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.

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

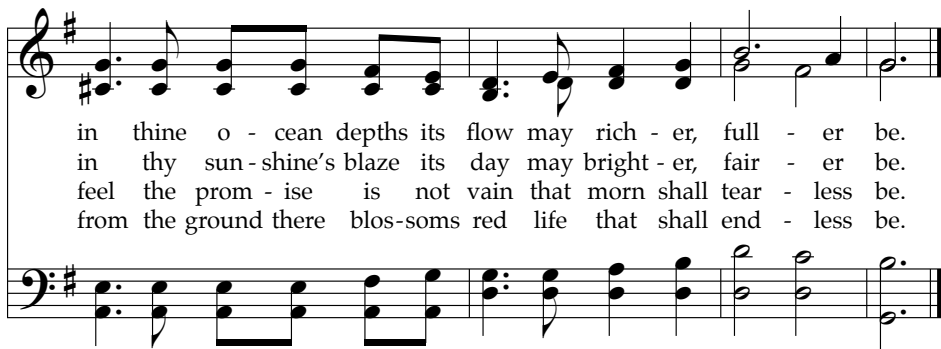
O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go 833



1 O Love that wilt not let me go, I rest my
2 O Light that fol-lowest all my way, I yield my
3 O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I can - not
4 O Cross that lift - est up my head, I dare not



wea - ry soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that
flick - ering torch to thee; my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, that
close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow through the rain, and
ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, and



in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.
from the ground there blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

This intense hymn of commitment to God (addressed as Love, Light, and Joy) closes with an invocation of the ultimate testimony to those attributes (the Cross). The composer, a Scotsman, named this specially-composed tune for the 11th-century patroness of Scotland.