



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**August 14, 2022 10:30 a.m.**

## Order of Worship

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

### **Prelude**

*Prelude of Praise*

by T. Beaney

Isaiah 25: 1: *Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name; for in perfect faithfulness you have done wonderful things, things planned long ago.*

*(this original piano composition is by Todd Beaney, 2011; Lorenz Publishing Co.)*

### **Introit**

*Surely the Presence of the Lord*

### **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**

Chad Board

L: Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses,

**P: let us lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely,**

L: and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us.

**P: In the name of Jesus, our one Lord and Savior...**

L: Let us worship God!

### **\*\*Hymn – 32**

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

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

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

**Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith. Forgive our indifference to your will. You have commanded us to speak, but we have been silent. You have called us to do what is just, but we have been fearful. Have mercy on us, your faithless servants. Keep before us faithful people for us to follow so that, living with courage and love, we may inherit the kingdom promised in Jesus Christ, and reign with him forever. 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!**

*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**

Hannah Miller

*Children ages preschool—second grade dismissed to Sunday Experience*

**Word in Music**

*Wonderful Merciful Savior*  
Haley Barham and Tom Engle, duet

by D. Thomas/E. Wyse

1 John 1:9: *If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.*

(words and music by Dawn Thomas and Eric Wyse (from *The Selah Songbook*), 1989; Word Music LLC)

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scriptures**

Habakkuk 2:1-4  
Hebrews 11:1-3; 17-18; 23-25; 29-31; 12:1-2

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Faith of the Cloud

Rev. Scott Hoffman

**\*\*Hymn**

*Faith Begins by Letting Go*  
(sung to the tune of *For the Beauty of the Earth*)

- 1) Faith begins by letting go, giving up what had seemed sure, taking risks and pressing on, though the way feels less secure: pilgrimage both right and odd, trusting all our life to God.
- 2) Faith endures by holding on, keeping memory's roots alive so that hope may bear its fruit; promise-fed, our souls will thrive, not through merit we possess but by God's great faithfulness.
- 3) Faith matures by reaching out, stretching minds, enlarging hearts, sharing struggles, living prayer, binding up the broken parts; till we find the commonplace ripe with witness to God's grace.

**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

### *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

arr. V. Labenske

*Ephesians 1:3: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.*

"Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!"

(words by R. Robinson, 1758; music (*Nettleton*) by J. Wyeth, 1760; both are public domain)

(*this piano solo: Alfred Publishing Co., Inc., 2007*)

## \*\*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.

## Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

### Invitation to the Table

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

### Sharing of Bread and Cup (Please eat and drink when you are served.)

The cups in the outer rings of the trays contain wine. The rest of the cups contain grape juice.

### Music during Communion *More Precious Than Silver*

arr. P. Bettcher

1 Peter 1:7, 8: *These (trials) have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith, of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire, may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. Though you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy.*

"Lord You are more precious than silver. Lord You are more costly than gold.  
Lord You are more beautiful than diamonds, and nothing I desire compares with You."  
(words and music by L .DeShazo, 1982; Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

(*this organ solo: Integrity's Hosanna! Music/ASCAP, 2001*)

## Prayer

## \*\*Hymn –39

### *Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

## \*\*Benediction

## Postlude

### *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

arr. D. Wood

*John 10: 3: He calls His own sheep by name and leads them out.*

"Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care; in Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.  
Blessed Jesus blessed Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are."

(words by D. Thrupp, 1836; music (*Bradbury*) by W. Bradbury, 1859; both are public domain)

(*this organ solo: The Sacred Music Press, 1992*)

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## Announcements and Upcoming Events



### **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.

### **Mission and Local Outreach**

In response to the severe flooding in Eastern Kentucky in late July, the Mission and Local Outreach Committee has pledged \$1,000 to support relief efforts through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). Affected Presbyteries will be offered grants and resources to help cope with this catastrophic flooding that caused millions of dollars in damage and the tragic loss of life. Members of the congregation are invited to join in the effort by contributing to relief efforts by putting "KY Floods" in the memo line of their checks or donating online.

### **Blessing of the Backpacks**

August is drawing to a close and September is just around the corner! It's time for the Blessing of the Backpacks. Please mark your calendar for Sunday, August 28! During the 10:30 worship service (in person and virtual) all students, preschool to post graduate, will be invited to bring their backpacks forward and join in a special blessing for students, teachers, aides, and administrators preparing for the new school year.



### **Red Cross Blood Drive**

Date: Tuesday, August 16, 2022

Time: 2:30-7:30 PM

Place: Fellowship Hall

Sign Up using the QR code above, or on our events page ([cmpcusa.org/events](https://cmpcusa.org/events))



**American  
Red Cross**

*Together, we can save a life*

There is always a shortage of blood in August because of vacations and high schools and colleges not being in session. Since Covid, the shortage has been even greater. Please consider donating. We have a goal of 25+ units. We need YOU!

### **Congregational Depression Awareness Program**

CMPC is teaming up with the Congregational Depression Awareness Program (CDAP) run out of Johns Hopkins by Dr. W. Daniel Hale, a world-renowned psychologist, and fellow presbyterian. Dr. Hale is the author of a wonderful book, "Depression: Out of the Darkness and Into the Light", a first-hand account of the tragedy of undetected and unacknowledged depression chronicling his personal struggles with his own depression and the depression that took the life of his daughter at the tender age of 36.

We here at CMPC are cognizant of the prevalence and high cost of depression in our communities. Depression is now the 2nd leading cause of death in the 10-34 year-old age group and the 4th leading cause of death among adults aged 35-54.

On Sunday, September 18, we have the great fortune of having Dr. Hale join us for a presentation for after worship. The Care and Wellness committee will provide a light lunch. Registration is now open: please check the link in the e-news or scan the QR code below. We have purchased twenty copies of Dr. Hale's book. The first twenty registrants will each receive a book free of charge and Dr. Hale has also graciously agreed to sign each book for us on that Sunday.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Hyiwot Teshome at [hyiwot@gmail.com](mailto:hyiwot@gmail.com) or 240-535-6577.



## **Yappy Hour!**

The Fellowship Committee would like to invite all to an outdoor evening of fun and fellowship at our "Yappy Hour." You are welcome to come with your dogs or just yourself to enjoy some company and conversation. We will be grilling hotdogs with chips and ice cream sandwiches so bring a lawn chair. There will be no rain date. Bring your dog, have a dog, or do both! August 17th, 6-8 pm.



## **New Scout Troop 75G**

Disasters, Adventures, Life...Are YOU prepared? Learn the skills for all situations at CMPC Troop 75G!

At its June meeting, the CMPC Session gave the go-ahead for Troop 75 to form a troop for girls. Your sons and your daughters (and you too) can join Troop 75! My name is Evelyn Mogren; I am the new T75G Scoutmaster.

If you are a girl between the ages of 10 (completed 5th grade) and 18, scouting is an adventure we'd like YOU to join! I have been involved in Scouting leadership since 1998 and am anticipating learning and living a wonderful new adventure with YOU! You can contact me to sign up or for more information: [calibercarvings@verizon.net](mailto:calibercarvings@verizon.net) or text 937-409-1419.

## CMPC Visioning

It is very clear those of us who call CMPC our faith home and family have been abundantly blessed—especially in recent years. The hard work and dedication of our fellow sisters and brothers of faith (those who have come before and those here now) is inspiring. We clearly have a story and history of which we can be exceedingly proud—as we boast in the Lord. AND we all share in the desire for that to continue.

To that end, the session has formed an Ad Hoc Visioning Committee that has been hard at work over the last few months developing a process by which we can prayerfully discern God's will for our future here at CMPC and beyond. We are now ready to engage the rest of the congregation in this process. Over the next few weeks and months we will be contacting member households to conduct listening sessions so that we can get your feedback on where you think we should focus our attention and energies in the near term and long term future. Please participate as you are able as we hope to get input from everyone. Keep your eyes and ears open for announcements, phone calls, letters, and other forms of contact so you can be engaged in this process with everyone else.

And, most importantly, please join us in praying for God's will to be made clear to all of us as we seek what is best for our congregation and how we, as a faith family, can best serve the Kingdom of God in the world.

### 2022 CMPC Church Picnic

The annual church picnic will take place immediately following the outdoor worship service on September 11, 2022. Please RSVP below or on our events page ([cmpcusa.org/events](http://cmpcusa.org/events)). Hot dogs, hamburgers, and beverages will be provided. If your last name begins with A-M, please bring a side dish. If your last name begins with N-Z, please bring a dessert.

Sign up Here!



### The Women's Monday Morning Bible Study Group

Monday, September 12th at 10:30am

All women are invited to join the CMPC women's bible study group for a kick-off potluck lunch at Jan Keister's home. At this time, we will have a short introduction to our study book, *Revelation The Ultimate Hope in Christ* by Dr. David Jeremiah. The group meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month during September through May. Come be a part of a Christ-centered, Bible-loving group of ladies. All ladies of the church and community are welcomed. Please contact Miriam Miller at 410-531-6528, or [jtmillerj@verizon.net](mailto:jtmillerj@verizon.net) or Barbara Petro at 410-300-6279 or [bapetro@aol.com](mailto:bapetro@aol.com)

# 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.



## 32 I Sing the Mighty Power of God

1 I sing the might - y power of God that made the moun-tains rise,  
 2 I sing the good-ness of the Lord who filled the earth with food.  
 3 There's not a plant or flower be - low but makes thy glo - ries known.

that spread the flow - ing seas a - broad and built the loft - y  
 God formed the crea-tures through the Word, and then pro-nounced them  
 And clouds a - rise, and tem-pests blow, by or - der from thy

skies. I sing the wis-dom that or - dained the sun to rule the day.  
 good. Lord, how thy won-ders are dis-played, wher-e'er I turn my eye,  
 throne, while all that bor-rows life from thee is ev - er in thy care,

The moon shines full at God's com-mand, and all the stars o - bey.  
 if I sur - vey the ground I tread, or gaze up - on the sky!  
 and ev - ery-where that we can be, thou, God, art pres-ent there.

With minimal revision this text brings together six of the eight four-line stanzas in an 18th-century hymn written for children and originally headed "Praise for Creation and Providence." The anonymous German tune provides a fitting sense of breadth and wonder.

## 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