

Christ Memorial

Presbyterian Church

September 4, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

PreludeI Love You, Lord,
Psalm 18: 1: I love you, Lord, my strength.

arr. D. Wyrtzen

"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 by L. Klein, 1978; House Of Mercy Music/admin. by Brentwood-Benson Music Publishing, Inc.) (this organ solo: House of Mercy Music/Maranatha! Music, 1978)

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

Liz Perraud

L: Come, let us bow down in worship,

P: let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

L: for he is our God

P: and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn** - 395

Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

Holy God, we confess that we fail to put our trust in you completely. Instead, we calculate our gains and losses, hoarding the things that do not lead to abundant life. Forgive us, and help us to treasure only you, that we may follow you faithfully and discover the blessings only you can give. 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 the following page for special instructions

Word in Music To God Be the Glory arr. M. Hayes
Allison Miller, solo

(words by F. Crosby, 1875; music by W. Doane, 1875; words and music are public domain) (this piano/vocal arrangement by M. Hayes, 2011; Lorenz Publishing Co.)

Psalm 29: 2: Ascribe to the Lord the glory of his name; worship the Lord in holy splendor.

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures Deuteronomy 30: 15-20

Luke 14: 25-33

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

Sermon Counting the Cost Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn** - 738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

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 Jesus Loves Me arr. A. Whitworth

Ephesians 5:2a: Walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us.

"Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to him belong; they are weak, but he is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so." (words by A. Warner, 1859; music (including refrain) by W. Bradbury, 1861; words and music are public domain)

(this organ solo: John T. Benson Publishing Co/Broadman Press, 1981; admin. by Genevox Music Group)

****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

My Jesus, I Love Thee

arr. L. Larson

John 15:9: As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love.

"My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine; for Thee all the follies of sin I resign.

My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou; if ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

(words by W. Featherston, 1862; music (*Gordon*) by A.J. Gordon, 1895; words and music are public domain))

(this piano solo: Hope Publishing Co., 2014)

Prayer

****Hymn** –733

We All Are One in Mission

**Benediction

Postlude Great Is the Lord

arr. L. Larson

Psalm 145: 3: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

"Great is the Lord, He is holy and just, by His power we trust in His love. Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true, by His mercy He proves He is love. Great is the Lord and worthy of glory; Great is the Lord and worthy of praise. Great is the Lord, now lift up your voice; now lift up your voice.

Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

(words and music by M.W. and D.D. Smith, 1982; Meadowgreen Music Co.)

(this piano solo: Meadowgreen Music Co./EMIKCMG Music Co., 1982)

Sunday Experience Policy

Calling all parents of children preschool through second grade planning to have children attend Sunday Experience during worship:

- 1. After the Moment with Children, parents will need to escort their child/children downstairs to the area below the sanctuary. Classroom LOVE will be for Preschool through second grade.
- 2. Each parent will be asked to answer COVID-19 questions when checking in their child/ren.
- 3. After the worship service, parents are asked to be prompt in picking up their child/ren.

Thank you to Allen Exner and John Kim for providing audio support this week! Thank you to Kofi Akuoko for operating the sanctuary cameras this week!

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

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). 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!





LOGOS Volunteers

Are you looking for a new and special way to become more connected with your church family and especially our amazing children and youth? The LOGOS program is looking for additional volunteers this year to support the program by participating as Family Time Table Parents. As a Table Parent you would join a group of youth each Wednesday night to enjoy an amazing meal and have meaningful conversations. When asked many of our children say the conversations they have around the dinner table at LOGOS are their favorite experiences. LOGOS will meet most Wednesdays from October 5th – March 29th. Table time parents are needed from 6:15 – 7:30 pm. If you are interested in learning more about being a LOGOS Table Parent please reach out to Heather Gallagher at heathergallagher@yahoo.com.



LOGOS Registration Now Open!

Are you ready? LOGOS is just around the corner! From pre-school through 12th grade everyone is welcome! This year LOGOS will begin at 5:15 PM and we will be finishing up every night from 7:45 to 8:00 PM. Remember LOGOS is from October through March. We can't wait to get this year started and the first step in the process is REGISTRA-TION! Registration will be open from September 1st through September 21st. Please fill out the registration form for your family. The second step in the process is collecting our VOLUNTEERS! Don't forget to fill out the volunteer form. Both of these forms will help us make sure we have enough food for everyone as well as find a place for all of our volunteers. Please reach out to LOGOS directors, Ryan or Elyn Thomas (logos@cmpcusa.org) with any questions about LOGOS this upcoming year.

REGISTER HERE



VOLUNTEER HERE



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 after worship from 11:30 - 1:00 pm. 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 or 240-535-6577.



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 from 9:30 to 11:15 am 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 or Barbara Petro at 410-300-6279 or bapetro@aol.com

Nominating Process

As the Nominating Committee continues its discernment process we believe it is imperative for the entire congregation to understand that currently our board of Deacons is operating with the minimum number of deacons allowable by our bylaws (12) and the Session is operating with only one elder more than the minimum (13). This means that without full slates (and then some) this year we risk being in violation of our own bylaws and seriously hampering the work of our two leadership boards. So, we ask each and every member of the congregation to seriously and prayerfully consider accepting a call to serve if it should come from the nominating committee. These are exciting times in the life of CMPC and we need willing and faithful leaders to guide us in and through them. Thank you in advance for seriously considering the call to serve!

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.

CMPC GIFT: Generations In Faith Together

Holy Hike Sunday, October 16 at 1:30pm

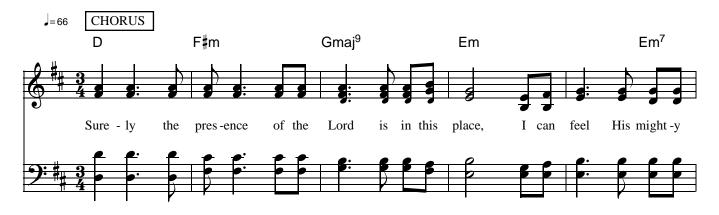
All ages are invited to join us for a holy hike to enjoy God's creation. We'll leave the church at 1:30pm to caravan by car to the trail off Guilford Road, Columbia. We'll walk 1.5 miles on a flat, mostly shaded, crushed gravel path and 1.5 miles back. Hike what feels manageable and turn around to head back when you need to (always with a walking buddy). Bring your own water. If you like, extend the fellowship by bringing your own picnic lunch to enjoy outside at church after worship and before we leave for the hike.

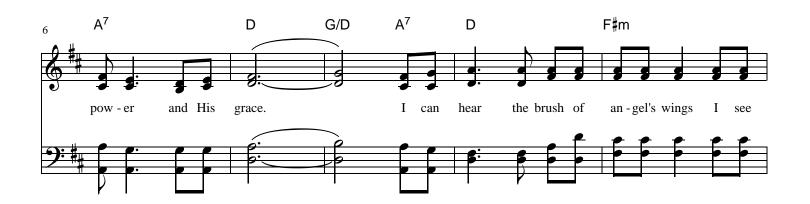
SIGN UP HERE to attend to receive any updates (including weather issues) and address of the trailhead.

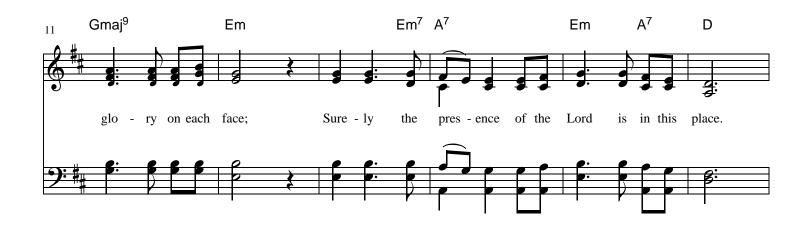


Surely The Presence Of The Lord

Words and Music by Lanny Wolfe







395 Blessed Jesus, at Your Word



Originally conceived to be sung before the sermon, this hymn assumes a congregation that assembles regularly, and it needs to be placed near the beginning rather than the end of worship. The simple repetitive tune reinforces the text's sense of receptivity and expectation.

738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee



In honestly admitting the limits of human ability, this prayerful hymn does not seek a sense of God's presence for self-comfort but for strength and companionship in pursuing the tasks that God sets before us. The author specifically chose this tune to accompany his words.

733 We All Are One in Mission



A Lutheran pastor wrote this text in response to a bishop's letter that said, "Our mission is to touch the lives of others with Christ's love." This theme is made stronger by recognizing that shared purposes do not require the denial of diversity but are enriched by it.