

Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

October 30, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Good News! The Chariot's Comin'

arr. L. Larson

Psalm 20:7: Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.

Chorus: "Good news, the chariot's coming, good news, oh, the chariot's coming; good news, the chariot's coming, And, I don't want it to leave me behind."

"There's a long white robe in heaven I know, long white robe in heaven I know. There's a long white robe in heaven I know; and I don't want it to leave me behind." chorus

There's a starry crown in heaven I know, a starry crown in heaven I know. There's a starry crown in heaven I know; and I don't want it to leave me behind." chorus

(traditional African American Spiritual, first published in 1888; CCLI Song #3134360; Neil A. Kjos Music Company)

(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing, 2015)

Introit

Surely the Presence of the Lord

Welcome and Announcements

Liz Perraud

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: Let all who are faithful offer prayers to God.

P: In times of distress, we will not be overwhelmed.

L: You are our hiding place, O Lord; you preserve us from trouble

P: and surround us with glad cries of deliverance.

L: Let us worship God!

**Hymn - 667

When Morning Gilds the Skies

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

Loving God, you promise that all who faithfully confess to you will be forgiven and preserved from trouble. Trusting in your mercy, we acknowledge the harm that we have done, and the good we have failed to do. Forgive us, we pray; guide us in your truth, and teach us the way to go, that we may love and serve you well. In the name of Jesus 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

Liz Perraud

Children ages preschool—second grade dismissed to Sunday Experience Please see the following page for special instructions

Word in Music

Fairest Lord Jesus
Elyn and Mollie Thomas, flute/clarinet duet

arr. R.E. Schram

Isaiah 33:17: Your eyes will see the king in his beauty and view a land that stretches afar.

"Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God to earth come down; thee will I cherish, thee will I honor; thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown."

(words (from 1677) are anonymous, translated from German by J. Seiss in 1850) (music is a Silesian folk melody from 1847; both words and music are public domain) (this instrumental arrangement: Lorenz Publishing Co. 2008)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Luke 19:1-10

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

Sermon

Companions On the Journey

Debbie Schmidt

****Hymn** - 326

For All the Saints
* Fifth Sunday Mission Offering Received

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

It Is Well with My Soul

arr. C. Tornquist

Philippians 4:7: And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

"When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul. It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul. He lives, O the bliss of this glorious thought; my sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more, praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul."

(words by H. Spafford, 1873; music by P. Bliss, 1876; public domain) (this piano solo: Alfred Music, 2017)

**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 - 691

Lord, When I Came into This Life

**Benediction

Postlude

When the Saints Go Marching In

Hebrews 12:1: Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

"Oh when the saints go marching in, oh when the saints go marching in; I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in. Oh, when the trumpet sounds its call, oh, when the trumpet sounds its call; oh Lord I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in."

words by K. E. Purvis, 1937; music by J. M. Black, 1937; admin. by Brentwood-Benson Music Publishing, Inc.)
(words and music are public domain)
(this piano solo: Hal Leonard Corporation, 1964)

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. After the worship service, parents are asked to be prompt in picking up their child/ren.

Thank you to Neil Danzig and Jeff Bruce for providing audio support this week! Thank you to Rachael Bis for operating the sanctuary cameras this week!

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



Welcome Debbie Schmidt!

Debbie Schmidt is the retired Associate for Spiritual Leader Development for Baltimore Presbytery. She is also an elder of Chestnut Grove Presbyterian Church in Jacksonville, MD. She is a trained coach and spiritual director. Debbie and her husband also served as mission co-workers in Japan for ten years. Debbie is the mother of two children and grandmother of four. She enjoys reading and travelling and finds creative expression in knitting and hand crafts.

Congregational Meeting

November 13th, Following Worship

The session has called a congregational meeting immediately following worship on November 13th for the purpose of electing officers of the church. All members are encouraged to attend.



Fifth Sunday Offering

The Fifth Sunday offering collected today will go to Bridge of Hope. CMPC has been directly involved with Bridge of Hope for over four years. Bridge of Hope focuses its efforts primarily on single parent families with children. Did you know that many young children experience homelessness? According to the US Dept of Health and Human Services, over 1.4 million children under age 6 experienced homelessness in 2018...that's one-in-16 children under six years old! Many parents who experience homelessness are youth and young adults ages 18-25. Homelessness hurts the health, development and education of children. The Covid pandemic has brought many of these challenges to the forefront. Disparities by race and ethnicity also continue to grow.

How can we begin to make a difference with such a huge problem? Bridge of Hope does it one family at a time! You can help locally by supporting Bridge of Hope Greater Baltimore Region. With the support of individuals and churches like CMPC, Bridge of Hope staff and Neighboring Volunteers can assist and walk with families on their journey to stability from homelessness.

Bible Basics is back!

Bible Basics, Pastor Scott's bible study, has returned for another season. The class meets at 11:00 am on Tuesdays in Classroom 3. All are welcome to join the class regardless of familiarity with the bible. Come learn and enjoy holy fellowship each week or whenever you can!

Women for Women is back

Mark your calendars, ladies, and spread the word that we are bringing Women for Women back with a kick-off meeting at Jan Keister's home on Tuesday evening, November 15th, at 7:00 pm. We will gather in Christian friendship and fellowship to plan the future of this amazing group. Refreshments and light snacks will be served. Give me a call or send me a text and let me know if you can come at 410-707-4021. Can't wait!! ADULT WOMEN OF ALL AGES ARE WELCOME.

Our Financial Resources Doing God's Work

An update on some details about our finances. Thank you for your generosity to CMPC! As of September 30, 2022 (75% of calendar year):

Actual Income \$358,895- (77% of budget Actual Expenses \$361,562 –69% of budget

Summary of the Oct. 17 Session Meeting

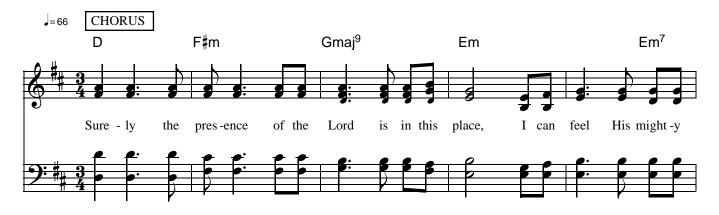
The Session agreed to hold a Congregational Meeting after worship service on Sunday, Nov. 13 for the purpose of electing officers to serve on the Session and the Board of Deacons in the Class of 2025.

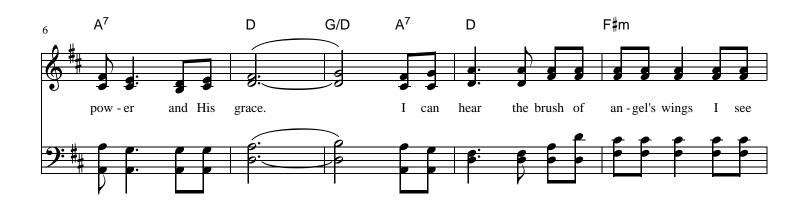
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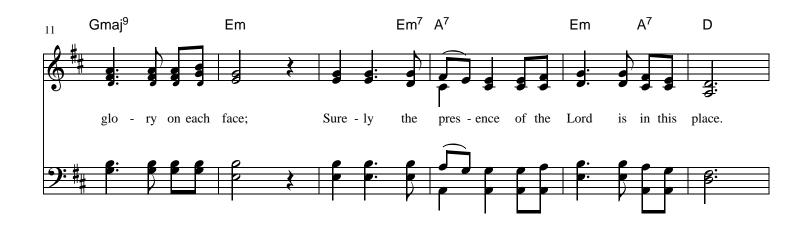
- Pastor Hoffman reported that 20 church volunteers are working to finalize interviews with CMPC households to get members' thoughts on what the church's priorities should be, now and into the future. Special-interest group sessions and town hall meetings are being planned for the next phase of the visioning process.
- The 2023 Stewardship Campaign will hold its first in-person events in three years throughout November, due to the pandemic, and will build on the theme "We Are an Offering." More details to come.
- Work is ongoing on the sanctuary humidity issue with a recently-hired contractor set to begin performing tests on our HVAC system within two weeks.

Surely The Presence Of The Lord

Words and Music by Lanny Wolfe







667 When Morning Gilds the Skies



This is not just a morning hymn, though this excerpt from an English translation of an early 19th-century German text may not convey how thoroughly the original deals with different kinds of time throughout the day. The tune was composed as a setting for this English text.

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For All the Saints



- 1 For all the saints who from their la-bors rest, who
- 2 Thou wast their rock, their for-tress, and their might;
- 3 O blest com mu nion, fel low-ship di vine!
- 4 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long,
- 5 From earth's wide bounds, from o-cean's far-thest coast, through



thee thy faith by be fore the world con-fessed, thou. Lord, their the well-fought fight; cap tain in fee - bly strug -We gle; they in glo - ry shine; vet steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and the count - less gates of pearl streams in host,



thou, in dark ness drear, their light. the one true thine. all are one in thee. for all are gain, hearts are brave a and arms are strong. Fa Ghost, sing ing ther, Son, and Ho ly to



The broad and sweeping tune with which this hymn is so closely identified was created to be sung during a reverent but dramatic procession at the beginning of an All Saints' Day service, an enacted representation of the enduring "fellowship divine" celebrated by this text.



Lord, When I Came into This Life 691



Written for the confirmation of the author's son, this text of self-dedication also voices our recurring individual need to recommit ourselves in less formal ways. The familiar shape note tune enhances a sense of finding our place among God's people from all times and places.

TEXT: Fred Kaan, 1976

LAND OF REST