

Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

November 20, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Blessed Be Your Name with All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Psalm 34: 3: O magnify the Lord with me; and let us exalt his name together.

arr. C. Tornquist

"Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful, where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name. Blessed be Your name when I'm found in the desert place, though I walk through the wilderness, blessed be Your name. Ev'ry blessing You pour out I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say: Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name. Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name."

(words and music by M. and B. Redman. 2002; ThankYou! Music; admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

"All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all! Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!" (words by E. Perronet, 1779; music by O. Holden, 1793; words and music are public domain)

(this piano solo: ThankYou Music; admin. by EMI CMG Publishing, 2002)

Introit

Surely the Presence of the Lord

Welcome and Announcements

Moment for Stewardship

Moment for Mission

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: Worship Christ, Eternal Son of God;

P: honor Christ, Incarnate Son of Mary;

L: serve Christ, Glorious Ruler of creation;

P: for to Christ belong the power and the glory of the Almighty.

L: Let us worship God!

**Hymn - 299

You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you brought forth the world for the love of Christ, yet we have lived in rebellion and turned away from our created purpose. We have acknowledged the Lordship of Christ with our lips, but we have not honored him with our lives. We have served the idols of wealth and privilege; we have sought the protection of violence to oppose violence; we have lived in fear of death and loss; we have not loved our neighbors, nor sought reconciliation with our enemies. Therefore we pray: Break our rebellious will. Instruct our hearts in the ways of peace. Expose our insincere thoughts. Give us integrity in our quest for truth. Release us from the fear of death. Grant us courage in the face of evil. Free us for joyful service in Christ our Lord. Empower us to live as citizens of your kingdom. For the sake of the world, in the name of Christ. 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** - 447

We Are Forgiven
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.
We are forgiven. We are forgiven.
Thanks be to God. Thanks be to God.

Moment with Children

Lindsey Kim

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

Word in Music

All Hail the Power

arr. M. Hayes

Philippians 2:9-11: Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

(this choral arrangement, suggested for Christ the King Sunday; incorporates the three tunes associated with the hymn: *Diadem* by J. Eller, 1838; *Miles Lane* by W. Shrubsole, 1779; and *Coronation* by O. Holden, 1793; all music and words are public domain)

(Lorenz Publishing Co., 2010)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Micah 6:6-8 Luke 9:57-62

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon We Lift Our Lives

Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn** - 739

O for a Closer Walk with God

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!

Psalm 25:4-5: Show me your ways, Lord, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me; for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

"He leadeth me O blessed thought, O words with heavenly comfort fraught; whate'er I do where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. He leadeth me, He leadeth me, by His own hand He leadeth me.

His faithful follower I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me."

(words by J. Gilmore, 1862; music by W. Bradbury, 1864; words and music are public domain)

(this organ solo: Good Life Publications, Inc/Belwin-Mills Publishing Corp., 1982)

****Doxology** - 710

We Lift Our Voices

We lift our voices: All that we have, we lift our hands: all that we are, we lift our lives up to you: all that we hope to be, we are an offering. we give to you, Lord, use our voices; we give to you. We lift our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives; we lift our hands: we lift our lives up to you: they are yours: we are an offering. we are an offering; we are an offering.

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

****Hymn** – 643

Now Thank We All Our God

During the singing of this hymn all are encouraged to bring their 2023 pledge cards forward and place them in the baskets on the communion table. If you pledged online or plan to pledge online feel free to use the card included in the bulletin this week.

**Benediction

Postlude

Crown Him King of Kings

arr. C. Tornquist

Revelation 19: 16: He has a new name written: King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

"Crown Him King of kings, crown Him Lord of lords. Wonderful, Counselor, the Mighty God Emmanuel, God is with us; and He shall reign, He shall reign, He shall reign forevermore!" (words and music by S. Damazio, 1991; Integrity's Hosanna! Music; admin. by Integrity Music)

(this piano solo: Integrity's Hosanna! Music/Integrity Music, Inc., 1991)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

Grassroots Day Resource Center Meals

The Mission and Local Outreach Committee has received a call to serve from our partners at Grassroots. On the 4th Monday of each month we would like to offer a 2nd meal service for the Day Resource Center in Jessup, MD. We are seeking volunteers to both prepare casseroles (5) as well as those to deliver and serve the meal from 3:45-6pm (3 volunteers). The November date will be Monday the 28th. The M&LO Committee will provide details, salads and drinks. For more information, please contact Todd Stubbs at todd.stubbs@gmail.com. Sign up below.



Poinsettia Orders

Please help us to decorate our sanctuary with poinsettias for our Christmas Eve services. The flowers are purchased by members and friends to remember and honor special people in their lives. Poinsettias are \$16.00 each and may be ordered until Monday, November 28th at 1:00 pm. Please make payment on the CMPC homepage or leave a check in the church office. Orders may be made online with the QR code or by using the insert in today's bulletin.





Greening of the church

This annual event will take place on December 3rd at 9:00 am. Many hands are needed to decorate the church for Christmas. Please plan to join us for decorating with lunch to follow. If you have questions, please contact Shelley Clemens at ShelleyClemens57@gmail.com or 443-756-2345.





Stewardship Campaign

Have you ever found a new friend while doing a difficult task with a stranger? Friendships formed like that often endure and become valued and meaningful. From helping flood victims rebuild their homes to caring for our homeless neighbors in cold weather to operating a highly successful youth program, Christ Memorial offers many chances to bond with each other and to create a rich network of trusted friends. New members frequently say that they join our church because of the warm and welcoming atmosphere. Our many fellowship groups and events support us in our faith together. We are a living and welcoming community.

To continue as a living, vibrant community we must continue to do the difficult tasks, to refresh our trust in each other, and to dedicate ourselves to the goals of the Church. In short, we must lift our voices, hands, and lives to become offerings for God's work. In these increasingly difficult times, it is our sense of fellowship at CMPC that, with God's help, will meet our growing community-wide needs. Would you be able to join us to increase financial giving over last year? Just an increase of 10% would support our existing fellowship and worship programs in the face of newly added operations costs.

To make your pledge on-line go to:



Thank you!

Dear Friends of CMPC,

The holiday season is quickly approaching and with that comes the CMPC annual Holiday Drives. The Mission and Local Outreach committee will soon begin collection for the Food Drive and Angel Tree. We are asking for you to prayerfully consider donating generously to both drives.

Last year, the Food Drive collected nearly 800 pounds of non-perishable food and supplies for the Maryland Food bank. This year, we are hoping to meet and exceed that number. Collection Bins will be spread throughout the Church building with one in the main lobby, one in the Preschool, and one in the Narthex beginning Wednesday November 16. By donating food, we can ensure that our brothers and sisters receive adequate nutrition, especially the children who may struggle to find a full meal.

The Angel Tree will be up in the main entry way with paper ornaments of wants/needs ready to be filled beginning the 16th as well. In case you are unaware of what the Angel Tree is, it is a program through which families receive donations, monetary or gifts-in-kind, in order to receive items to make for a very merry Christmas. You can take as many ornaments as you desire, purchase the items listed, then return the items UNWRAPPED to the Trinity Room. This year our donations will go to families from North Bend Elementary/ Middle School.

Final collection for the Angel Tree will be December 11 after worship, as the Women's Bible Study group has generously offered to wrap the gifts during their final meeting of the year on December 12. The final Food Drive collection will be the following Sunday, December 18, following worship. Monetary donations can be made through the Church website for both drives.

Proverbs 19:17 says: "Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed."

Please consider giving and giving generously to both of these donation opportunities. With your help, we can assist our brothers and sisters in Christ and give them a very Merry Christmas!

Thank you all so much for continually donating to the Church, the MLO, and the community.

In Christ, Kylee Hoffman Holiday Drive Coordinator

CARE Group Ministry

CMPC has been incredibly blessed by the addition of our CARE Group ministry that launched a few months before the pandemic began. Over the past couple of years our CARE Group leaders have done a wonderful job reaching out to our members and connecting those in need with those who could help. We are grateful to those who have made this important ministry possible—especially our CARE Group ministry coordinators Cindy Pettit, Markita Garner, and Sandi Chapasko. If you receive a phone call or email from one of our CARE Group leaders we strongly encourage you to reply even if just to acknowledge that you received the message. Conversely, if you have a need please don't hesitate to reach out to your CARE Group contact as they are more than happy to connect you to those who can help.

If you are a member of CMPC and have not been contacted at any time in the last year by one of the CARE Group leaders please contact the church office at office@cmpcusa.org. It may be that we do not have the proper contact information for you or that there was an unintentional oversight. Also, if you would be willing to serve as one of our CARE Team members please let us know. We are always looking for good folks to join the team!

CMPC's All-age Christmas Pageant

It's back! Our all-age Christmas Pageant will be held Sunday, December 11 in worship at 10:30am. ALL ages are invited to participate. No lines to memorize. There is one mandatory rehearsal on Saturday, December 10 from 9:30-11:30am.

We're looking for sheep (age 5 and younger, parents must be a shepherd), shepherds (age 5 and older and parents of young children), and angels (age 5 and older). The more the merrier! Sign up by December 2 so that we have plenty of costumes. Looking for costume helpers too!

Sign up here (parts and costume helpers): https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0B4CACAF2FA13-cmpc

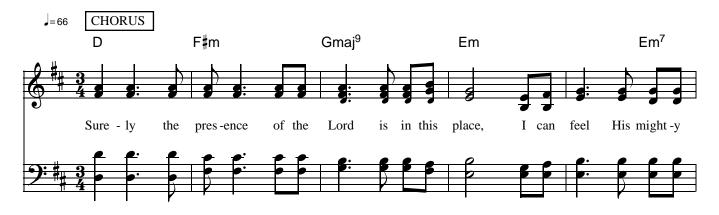


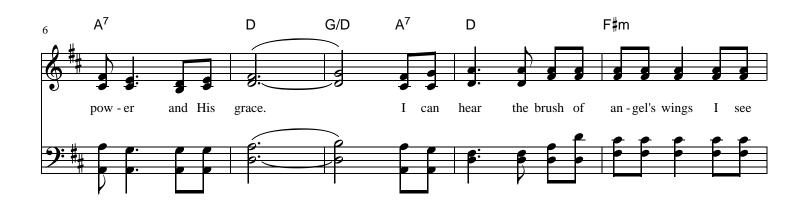
Questions? Contact pageant director Carrie Jenkins at carrie915@yahoo.com

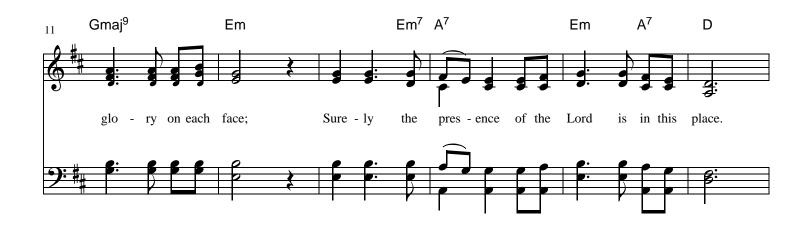


Surely The Presence Of The Lord

Words and Music by Lanny Wolfe







299 You Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim



This hymn resembles many 18th-century drawings that show parallels between worship on earth and worship in heaven, especially as described in Revelation 7:9–11. This 18th-century tune has had many names; the one used here honors the dynasty of British monarchs, 1714–1901.

O for a Closer Walk with God 739



Merely longing for a restored relationship with God is not enough; real repentance requires amendment of life (stanza 3). The similarity of stanzas 1 and 4 suggests both continuity and improvement. This tune was one of the new common tunes in the Scottish Psalter of 1635.

643 Now Thank We All Our God



Although this hymn is often used on large and festive occasions, its first two stanzas had much humbler beginnings: they originated as a family table prayer during the Thirty Years' War (1618–1648). These words have been associated with this tune since the mid-17th century.