



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

November 6, 2022 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Footsteps of Jesus

arr. A. Whitworth

1 Peter 2:21: *To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps.*

"Sweetly, Lord, have we heard Thee calling, "Come, follow me!" And we see where Thy footprints falling, lead us to Thee. Footprints of Jesus that make the pathway glow; we will follow the steps of Jesus where'er they go."
(words by M.B.C. Slade, 1871; music by A. Everett, 1871; words and music are public domain)

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

Introit

Surely the Presence of the Lord

Welcome and Announcements

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Moment for Stewardship

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: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

P: Sing praises to the Lord with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody.

L: With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the Lord.

P: Come, make a joyful noise, sing praises!

L: Come, let us worship the Lord!

****Hymn – 246**

Christ is Alive!

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Holy God, we come before you a broken people in a broken world, longing for mercy and forgiveness, and yet filled with arrogance and pride so that it is hard for us to ask for help. Though sin and death are all around us and even within us, we have ignored the greatest truth of our faith, the resurrection of our Lord. We want to confine the message of Easter to one day a year, rather than to become the Easter-people you have called us to be. Give us grace to call upon you not only in desperation, but in all times and places. Let the forgiveness we feel in these moments now become the motivating force throughout our lives. Let us leave today determined to view the world through the lens of Christ's rising from the dead, that we may feel new life coursing through us, and share the message with others. 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

Hannah Miller

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

Word in Music

Find Me at the Feet of Jesus with Holy, Holy, Holy

arr. R. Mauldin

3 John 1: 4: *I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.*

(words and music by M. Redman/J. Myrin/C. Tomlin, 2014; recorded by C. Nockels, 2015)
(Thankyou Music; admin. by CapitolCMGPublishing, Inc.)
(*Holy, Holy, Holy* can be found in postlude citing)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Job 19:23-27a
Luke 20:27-38

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Sermon Out of Season?

Rev. Jack Carlson

****Hymn -240**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

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 Want Jesus to Walk With Me

arr. J. Spong

Genesis 28:15: *I am with you and will watch over you wherever you go, and I will bring you back to this land. I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you.*

"I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me. All along my pilgrim journey, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me. When my heart is almost breaking, Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me."
(traditional African American spiritual, year unknown; tune is *Walk With Me*; words and music are public domain)

(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing, 2020)

<p>We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. Lord, use our voices; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our lives; they are yours: we are an offering.</p>	<p>All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering; we are an offering.</p>
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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 *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

arr. L. Larson

John 8:12: Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.”

“I have decided to follow Jesus. I have decided to follow Jesus. I have decided to follow Jesus.
No turning back, no turning back. The world behind me, the cross before me. The world behind me,
the cross before me. The world behind me, the cross before me. No turning back, no turning back.”
(words are anonymous; music is a folk melody (*Assam*) from India; song is public domain)
(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2021)

Prayer

****Hymn – 233**

The Day of Resurrection

****Benediction**

Postlude

Holy, Holy, Holy

Arr. V. Labenske

Revelation 4: 8b: *Day and night they never stop saying: “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come.”*

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy!
Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
(music by R. Hebner, 1827; music (*Nicea*) by J. Dykes, 1861; words and music are public domain)
(this piano solo: Alfred Publishing, Inc., 2008)

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

Announcements and Upcoming Events



Welcome Rev. Jack Carlson!

The Rev. John V. "Jack" Carlson retired from active ministry in the PCUSA in January 2016. Prior to his retirement, he served for 13 years as Pastor at Highland Presbyterian Church, in Harford County, MD. Before that he served churches in Lockport, NY, and Hyattsville, MD, and was a pastoral counselor for more than 20 years in the Washington DC area. After serving a term as Moderator of the Presbytery of Baltimore, in September of 2017 he was elected Stated Clerk of the Presbytery; he retired from that post in 2020. He has published three books: *The Spiritual Dimensions of Self-Esteem*, *The Spiritual Power of Communication*, and *The Disciple's Song*, a poetic rendering of the Gospel of Mark. Jack is married to Lynn McCormick Carlson and has three grown children and five grandchildren. In his retirement, he spends time with his grandchildren, oil painting, travel, and golf.

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.

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.



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



Stewardship Campaign

Today we will kick-off the annual stewardship campaign, "We Are an Offering."

Christ Memorial Presbyterian is so very grateful to all who have given so generously even in the face of the past two extraordinary COVID years. Your contributions have powered the essential ministries motivated by our shared faith. Thank you for those offerings!

Now, going forward, the Church's needs are about to change. We ask that you consider the following facts as you discern your giving plan for this year:

- By 2025 – two years hence --the Church operations budget must expand by an estimated \$10,000 per month to meet the expected monthly mortgage payments on the new building. This comes to \$120,000 per year over and above our current yearly operating expenses of approximately \$500,000. That's about a 20% increase in the next 2-3 years.
- We know the cost of our ministries and vital programs will not remain constant. Financial experts predict continuing inflation of around 5% for the next two years. This will increase the cost of all our programs, and we want our programs to grow as the church continues to grow.

We can meet these challenges if we all work together along two strategies: 1) Everyone's financial situation is different, but if we each consider increasing our usual weekly giving by just 10% for the next two years, we will pay the mortgage while preserving current spending on ministry programs. 2) If we jointly expand the church membership by 10-20 families over the next two years, we will be able to resource our programs at the expected higher level.

Pulling together, we can accomplish great things.

You will be receiving a letter from the Stewardship Committee about the annual campaign, but you can also make a pledge on-line here:



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

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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

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Gmaj⁹ Em Em⁷ A⁷ Em A⁷ D

glo - ry on each face; Surely the pres - ence of the Lord is in this place.

Christ Is Alive!

246

1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands
 2 Christ is a - live! No lon - ger bound to dis - tant
 3 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where col - or,
 4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the
 5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to

emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,
 scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet
 Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the
 this and ev - ery age, till earth and sky and

prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.
 here and now, and touch - ing ev - ery place and time.
 loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.
 life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.
 o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

In 1968 Easter fell ten days after the assassination of Martin Luther King Jr., and this text was written to express an Easter hope while mindful of that terrible event. Buoyed by a triple-arched tune, it affirms the presence of a wounded, risen Christ with all who suffer.

240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Refrain E C#m F#m B

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord. Al - le -

al - le - lu - ia! Praise to his name. *Fine*

E C#m F#m B E

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his name.

E C#m F#m B

- 1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
- 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
- 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
- 4 Come let us praise the liv - ing God,

E C#m F#m B *to Refrain*

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for - ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - ior.

This text and tune were created together in the context of an ecumenical, charismatic, missionary Christian community in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Their energy and emphasis center in the opening and closing refrain's "Alleluia"—the essential Easter word of proclamation.

233 The Day of Resurrection!

1 The day of res - ur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad,
 2 Let hearts be purged of e - vil that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful; let earth its song be - gin;

the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of res - ur - rec - tion light,
 the round world keep high tri - umph and all that is there - in.

From death to life e - ter - nal, from sin's do - min - ion free,
 and lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear, so calm and plain,
 Let all things seen and un - seen their notes of glad - ness blend,

our Christ has brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord has ris - en, our joy that has no end.

The roots of this English text come from a mid-8th century Greek hymn that continues to be used in Orthodox churches at the midnight Eucharist marking the beginning of Easter. The tune is named for the county in northwestern England where the composer was then an organist.