



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

January 15, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Siyahamba (We Are Marching In the Light of God)

arr. J. Behnke

John 8: 12: *Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, "I am the Light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life."*

"We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching in the light of God, we are marching in the light of God. We are marching O-oh. We are marching in the light of God. We are marching O-oh. We are marching in the light of God."

"We are moving in the power of God, we are moving in the power of God. We are moving in the power of God, we are moving in the power of God We are moving O-oh. We are moving in the power of God. We are moving O-oh. We are moving in the power of God."

(based on South African Freedom Song)

(Peace of Music Publishing AB, Walton Music Corp., a division of GIA Publications, Inc., 1984)

(this organ solo: Hope Publishing Co., 1999)

Introit

Surely the Presence of the Lord

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place,

I can feel His mighty power and His grace.

I can hear the brush of angel's wings

I see glory on each face;

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place.

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**

John Salkeld

L: Sing a new song,

P: a song of thanks and praise,

L: for God has done wondrous deeds,

P: and is great beyond compare!

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn – 662**

Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Mothering God, we have chased after foolish things, and spent our strength on vanity; our labor has been in vain. Deliver us from arrogance and forgive our self-concern, that we may find our reward with you, as servants of your dream. Through Jesus Christ 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 - 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

**Please note that any children who come forward for the moment with children will likely be seen on the worship livestream on Facebook*

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

Word in Music

Shed a Little Light
Scott Hoffman, soloist

by James Taylor; arr. G. Jasperse

Matthew 5:14-16: "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

Chorus: "Shed a little light, oh Lord, so that we can see. Just a little light, oh Lord. Wanna stand it on up, stand it on up, oh Lord. Wanna walk it on down. Shed a little light, oh Lord."

(Country Road Music, Inc. 1991; this arrangement: Alfred Music Publishing Co., 2013)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Isaiah 49:1-7
John 1:29-42

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Known and Named

Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn - 744**

Arise, Your Light Is Come!

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*Here I Am to Worship (Light of the World)*

arr. V. Labenske

Philippians 2:9-11: *Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him and given him a name, which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.*

"Light of the world You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes let me see; beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You. So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me. And I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross; and I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross."

(words and music by T. Hughes, 2000; Thankyou Music/admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

****Doxology - 710***We Lift Our Voices*

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.

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.

Prayers of Thanksgiving with The Lord's Prayer (using "debts")****Hymn - 377***I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light*****Benediction****Postlude***Send the Light*

arr. M. McDonald

Ephesians 5:8: *For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light.*

"Let us pray that grace may ev'rywhere abound, "Send the light! Send the light!" And a Christ-like spirit ev'rywhere be found, send the light! Send the light! Send the light, the blessed gospel light; let it shine from shore to shore! Send the light the blessed gospel light; let it shine forevermore!"

(words and music (tune *McCabe*) are by C. Gabriel, 1890; words and music are public domain)
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Announcements and Upcoming Events

Stewardship

Thank you to all who have participated in the annual Stewardship Campaign. Over 70 households have made a commitment so far. We would love to reach our goal of 95 households (or more!) making a pledge to CMPC to support our mission in 2023. If you have not pledged, please use the QR code below to make your pledge on-line, or contact the church if you need a new pledge card. And remember, even if you already give electronically, you have to make a new pledge each year. With gratitude, The Stewardship Committee.



Congregational Meeting

The Session has scheduled a Congregational Meeting after worship on Sunday, Jan. 22 for the purpose of presenting the 2023 budget and voting on the terms of call for Pastor Hoffman. All members are encouraged to attend.

The Reverend Hyiwot Teshome Installation

Our beloved brother in faith Hyiwot Teshome, recently ordained into ministry during a beautiful service here at CMPC, will be installed into his new call as pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Johnstown, PA on Sunday January 29th at 4:00 pm. Our own Pastor Scott will be preaching during the service. All are welcome to make the trip and attend the service!

Red Cross Blood Drive

This year we are hosting two blood drives. Our first will be on Feb 27th from 12:30 - 6:00 in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up here.



New Member Class

If you feel that CMPC is a place where you would like to put down roots and become more fully involved in the life of the church, we have great news. We are planning to hold a New Members Class sometime after worship one Sunday in the next few months. During the class you will have the opportunity to learn about our church and our tradition, get to know some of the leadership of the church, and form bonds with others who have decided to move into membership as well. If you would like to join us for the class, please RSVP by calling the church office at 410-997-8011 or emailing Pastor Scott (pastor.hoffman@cmpcusa.org). A light lunch will be provided and childcare will be available upon request. When submitting your RSVP for the class, please indicate if you will need childcare.

Star Words

In 2020, we began a new tradition at CMPC of receiving star words for Epiphany. Epiphany, celebrated on January 6, marks the end of the twelve days of Christmas and the visit of the Magi recorded in Matthew 2:1-12. The wise men followed a bright heavenly body (usually represented by a star) and traveled great distances to offer their gifts to the newborn Christ-child. The Magi received God's gift, and then offered their gifts to God. We are also seeking Jesus, trusting that God uses many signs (or stars) to guide us closer to the Divine presence.

In addition to the Children's Message this morning, we are handing out star words after worship today and January 15. Place your star where you will see it daily and reflect on the word for the coming year. You are invited to ponder the significance this word might have in your life, and how God might be speaking to you through that simple message. A word that seems unclear at the beginning may gain new meaning as the year goes on.

2022 Giving Statements

Year-end giving statements will be available for you to download from CMPC Bridge between February 1, 2023 - April 30, 2023. Beginning February 1st, the "2022 Contribution Statement" button will appear on your giving record to allow you to download or print your statement.

As a reminder, you can view your giving history at any time in CMPC Bridge.

If you would prefer to have your 2022 giving statement mailed or e-mailed to you in February, please send your request to Joyce Danzig, Assistant Treasurer, at joyce.danzig@gmail.com.

Investing in Our Future

In addition to the tremendous support from the congregation through our capital campaigns, the renovation and construction work for our Ministry Expansion is being financed by borrowing from the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP). In order to qualify for the best interest rate, we need to have \$300,000 invested in the PILP program by members and friends of CMPC. If you have investments that you could transfer to PILP, or if you could add to your existing PILP investment, it would greatly benefit CMPC by keeping our interest rate low. PILP offers term notes (like CDs) and money market type accounts. If you have a self-directed IRA, those funds can be invested in PILP as well. For more information about how to invest and the benefits of investing with PILP, please visit their website at <https://pilp.pcusa.org/>. Thank you for your continued support.

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 January date will be Monday the 23rd. 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.



Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies 662

1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies; Christ, the true, the on - ly light;
2 Dark and cheer-less is the morn un - ac - com - panied by thee;
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief;

Sun of Righ-teous-ness, a - rise; tri-umph o'er the shades of night;
joy-less is the day's re-turn till thy mer-cy's beams I see;
fill me, ra - dian - cy di-vine; scat-ter all my un - be - lief;

Day-spring from on high, be near; Day-star, in my heart ap - pear.
till they in - ward light im - part, cheer my eyes and warm my heart.
more and more thy - self dis - play, shin - ing to the per - fect day.

This well-crafted morning hymn opens by celebrating daylight as an image of Christ, the true Light, then ponders life without light, and culminates in a prayer for inward light. The tune's name honors its German roots: Ratisbon is the former English name for Regensburg.

744 Arise, Your Light Is Come!

1 A - rise, your light is come! The Spir - it's call o - bey;

2 A - rise, your light is come! Fling wide the pris - on door;

3 A - rise, your light is come! All you in sor - row born,

4 A - rise, your light is come! The moun - tains burst in song!

show forth the glo - ry of your God, which shines on you to - day.
 pro - claim the cap - tives' lib - er - ty, good ti - dings to the poor.
 bind up the bro - ken - heart - ed ones and com - fort those who mourn.
 Rise up like ea - gles on the wing; God's power will make us strong.

Echoing imagery from Isaiah 61:1–2 and other passages, this text was created as an inclusive-language alternative to an older hymn using this late 19th-century tune. Because it is a song of encouragement rather than a song of praise, it is not directed to God but to people.

377 I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light

1 I want to walk as a child of the light. I want to fol - low
 2 I want to see the bright-ness of God. I want to look at
 3 I'm look-ing for the com - ing of Christ. I want to be with

Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world. The
 Je - sus. Clear Sun of righ-teous-ness, shine on my path, and
 Je - sus. When we have run with pa-tience the race, we

Refrain

star of my life is Je - sus.
 show me the way to the Fa - ther. In him there is no dark-ness at
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

all. The night and the day are both a - like. The Lamb is the

The author-composer of this unrhymed hymn regards it as a meditation and prayer deeply rooted in many scriptures, most connected with the theme of light: Genesis 1:17; Psalm 139:12; Isaiah 60:19; Malachi 4:2; John 14:8; Ephesians 5:8; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 John 1:5; Revelation 21:23.

A NEW HEAVEN AND A NEW EARTH

light of the cit - y of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a vocal line in the treble clef and a piano accompaniment in the bass clef. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are written below the vocal line. The piano accompaniment features a steady bass line with chords and some melodic movement.