

# **Christ Memorial**

# Presbyterian Church

# February 19, 2023 10:30 a.m. LOGOS Sunday

### **Order of Worship**

\*\*indicates to stand as you are able.

**Prelude** Be Thou My Vision

arr. M. Hayes

Psalm 26: 3: For your steadfast love is before my eyes, and I walk in your faithfulness.

"Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; naught be all else to me, save that thou art; thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true Word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower; raise thou me heavenward, O Power of my power."

(words are an ancient Irish poem translated into English by M. Byrne in 1905) (music (*Slane*) is an Irish ballad that comes from the 7th-8th century; song is public domain)

(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2010)

**Processional** Processional by M.R. Tucker

**ROCK Chimes** 

(this instrumental piece was published by Choristers Guild, 2003)

**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

**FROG Youth** 

L: The Holy One is our sovereign.

P: Let us praise God's great and awesome name!

L: Mighty ruler, lover of justice,

P: you have established fairness among us

L: Let us worship God!

### \*\*Silent Prayer of Confession

### \*\*Common Prayer of Confession

Glorious God, you are all wisdom and a lamp to our feet, yet we fail to listen to you and neglect to follow your guidance. Forgive us, heal us, and lead us on, that we may walk in your ways and be happy in your refuge; in Jesus our 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 Liz Perraud

\*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** The Agape League by C. Semsen/D. Semsen

FROG Choir

1 John 4: 16: God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.

(from the musical *The Agape League*, created by C. Semsen, arr. by D. Semsen, 2013; Word Music)

Prayer for Illumination FROG youth

Scriptures Jonah 1: 1-12 FISH youth

Daniel 6: 10-16 Genesis 6: 11-22

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

**Sermon** Trusting in God FISH youth

\*\***Hymn** - 452 Open the Eyes of My Heart, Lord

Invitation to Offering ROCK youth

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

### Lord I Lift Your Name on High

arr. V. Labenske

Psalm 145: 1-2: I lift you high in praise, my God, O my King! I'll bless your name into eternity.

I'll bless you every day, and keep it up from now to eternity.

"Lord I lift Your name on high; Lord I love to sing Your praises. I'm so glad You're in my life, I'm so glad You came to save us. You came from heaven to earth to show the way. From the earth to the cross my debt to pay; from the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky; Lord I lift Your name on high."

(by Rick Founds, 1989; Universal Music; Brentwood Publishing)

(this piano solo: Maranatha Praise, Inc., 1989; admin by Music Services, Inc.)

### \*\***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. Lord, use our hands; We lift our voices; Lord, use our lives; we lift our hands: they are yours: we lift our lives up to you: we are an offering. we are an offering; we are an offering.

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

\*\***Hymn** – 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

### \*\*Benediction

### Postlude

### Shine, Jesus, Shine

arr. J. Carter

John 8:12: When Jesus spoke again to the people, he said, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

"Lord the light of Your love is shining, in the midst of the darkness shining. Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us; set us free by the truth You now bring us. Shine on me, shine on me. Shine, Jesus, shine. fill this land with the Father's glory. Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow, river, flow; flood the nations with grace and mercy. Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light."

(words and music by G. Kendrick, 1987; Make Way Music; admin by Music Services, Inc.)

(this piano solo: Make Way Music, 2004; admin. by Music Services in the Western Hemisphere)

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### **Announcements and Upcoming Events**

### **Town Hall Meetings**

All are invited and encouraged to participate in our Visioning Town Hall meetings Sunday February 26th following worship and/or on Monday February 27th at 7:00 pm to continue the conversation about the future of CMPC. Both meetings will be held in the Trinity Room. The more who participate, the better!



### **Vacation Bible School**

We are excited for Vacation Bible School to return to Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church this summer! Join us on a Stellar Adventure as we learn about Shining Jesus' Light! Mark your calendars for the week of July 10th. Registration will open for CMPC members on 2/17 and the general public on March 1st. To make this a successful week for the kids of Christ Memorial and the community we need volunteers. Please consider participating in this great church event. We need adult leaders and teen leaders (middle school, high school and college). For adult leaders, registration is free for the second child registered. Please reach out to Laura Jean Graybeal (vbs@cmpcusa.org) if you are interested in helping!

#### **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.

### **2022 Contribution Statements are Now Available**

Your 2022 year-end statements are now available for download from CMPC Bridge. From February 1 - April 30, you can click on the "2022 Contribution Statement" blue button to view and download your year-end giving statement.

If you have any questions about your statement or would like to request a statement be mailed or emailed to you, contact our assistant treasurer, Joyce Danzig, at joyce.danzig@gmail.com.

Thank you again for your generous and continued support of the work of our congregation.

### **Red Cross Blood Drive**

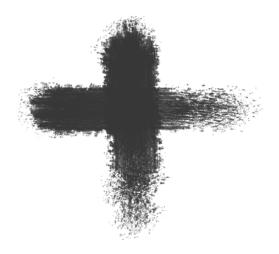
This year we are hosting two blood drives. Our first will be on Feb 27th from 12:30 - 6:00 in Fellowship Hall. Please sign up here.



### **Ash Wednesday Service**

Wednesday, February 22 at 7 p.m.

Please join us as we begin the Lenten season with a service on Ash Wednesday in the sanctuary. Worshippers of all ages are encouraged to attend. The imposition of ashes will be offered.



### **2023 Giving Envelopes**

Our shipment of giving envelopes for 2023 is delayed due to issues with our vendor. It may take several weeks before we receive the envelopes. A box of envelopes will be available for households who used them last year. If you did not use envelopes last year and would like to receive a box when they arrive, please contact Joyce Danzig, Assistant Treasurer at joyce.danzig@gmail.com.

In the meantime, please use the envelopes in the pews or a plain envelope to mark your contribution.

### **New Directory coming soon!**

The Membership & Hospitality Committee has determined it's time to update the "CMPC Member Directory". Each Sunday following worship, starting today and running through March 26, from 11:30 - 12:30, photos will be taken by committee members at the lower entrance (near the elevator). No appointment necessary! If this time frame doesn't fit your schedule, please feel free to submit your own photo to chughes527@comcast.net.

We are asking \$5 per directory to cover the cost of printing. Please be prepared to pay when your photo is taken or submitted. For your convenience you can make a payment using the pull down menu on Bridge.

If you have any questions, you may contact Colleen at the email listed above.

### **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 was financed by borrowing from the Presbyterian Investment and Loan Program (PILP). In order to continue 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 Crisis Intervention. On the 4th Monday of each month we would like to offer dinners to those present at the Day Resource Center in Jessup. On February 27th, the FISH youth will be cooking the casseroles but we still need volunteers to deliver and serve the meal from 3:45-6pm (3 volunteers). 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



### Mission and Local Outreach - Earthquake relief

In response to the devastating 7.8 magnitude earthquake in northwest Syria and Turkey, the Mission and Local Outreach Committee is contributing \$2,000 to support Mercy Corps' emergency response efforts. Mercy Corps has been implementing significant relief programs in Syria and Lebanon for the past twelve years and is a leading global humanitarian non profit organization. It has an office and staff in Gaziantep, Turkey that have already been mobilized to provide urgently needed supplies to communities affected by the quake. M&LO is inviting members of CMPC to respond to this terrible tragedy by donating online or with a check with Earthquake Response in the memo line. Thank you in advance for your prayers, compassion, and generosity.

# Sing of God Made Manifest 156



- 1 Sing of God made man i-fest in a child ro bust and blest,
- 2 Sing of God made man i-fest when at Jor dan John con-fessed,
- 3 Sing of God made man i-fest when Christ came as wed ding guest
- 4 Sing of God made man i-fest on the cloud-capped moun-tain's crest,



to whose home in Beth - le-hem where a star had guid-ed them, "I should be bap-tized by you, but your bid-ding I will do." and at Ca-na gave a sign, turn-ing wa-ter in-to wine; where the law and proph-ets waned so that Christ a-lone re-mained:



ma - gi came and gifts un-bound, signs mys - te-rious and pro-found: Then from heaven a dou - ble sign—dove-like Spir - it, voice di - vine—fur - ther still was love re-vealed as he taught, for-gave, and healed, glimpse of glo - ry, pledge of grace, given as Je - sus set his face



myrrh and frank-in-cense and gold grave and God and king fore - told. hailed the true A-noint-ed One: "This is my be-lov-ed Son." bring - ing light and life to all who would lis-ten to God's call. towards the wait-ing cross and grave, sign of hope that God would save.



"Epiphany" means "manifestation" or "showing forth," and this text cites key disclosures of Jesus as Messiah: the coming of the Magi, his baptism by John the Baptist, the wedding at Cana. All are summed up in the Transfiguration, recalled on the Last Sunday after the Epiphany.

# 452 Open the Eyes of My Heart



The initial petition of this song is based on the language of Ephesians 1:18, while the second part draws on the account of Isaiah's vision in Isaiah 6:1–5. That event, in turn, is the basis of the threefold *Sanctus* that has become a traditional element in Christian worship.

# Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise 12



The opening line of this hymn was inspired by the three divine attributes listed in 1 Timothy 1:17 (King James Version), and it continues by considering how God's life exceeds our own finite existence. The text is well set to a Welsh melody shaped by many three-note units.