



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

March 19, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Were You There?

arr. C. Berry

Luke 23:44-45: *Now it was about the sixth hour, and there was darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour. Then the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was torn in two.*

"Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? Were you there when they laid him in the tomb? O! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?"

(traditional African American spiritual, 1899; public domain)

(this piano solo: Hal Leonard Corporation, 2014)

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**

Chad Board

L: It is good to praise the LORD

P: and make music to your name, O Most High,

L: to proclaim your love in the morning

P: and your faithfulness at night.

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn – 408**

There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

O Lord, if you held our sin against us, who could live, who could stand? We seem to have more faith in death than hope in your promise of life. We seek peace through war and find security in weapons. We abandon the hungry, sick, and dying, and pursue wealth by making others poor. And even so, you love us; still there is forgiveness with you! Therefore we worship you; for you alone, O Lord, can save us from death and redeem us from our sin. 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 - insert**

O Lamb of God Most Holy!

Moment with Children

Tito, Zyler and Paxton Baca

**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

Were You There?

arr. J. Raney

Philippians 2: 2b-8: *And being found in human form, He humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death; even death on a cross.*

(traditional African American spiritual, 1899; public domain)

(this choral anthem: Hope Publishing Company, 2008)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Ezekiel 37:1-14

John 11:1-45

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Alive Again

Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn - 440**

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

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 support!

Offertory*Lamb of God*

arr. J. Carter

John 1:29b: *(John said) "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"*

"Your only Son no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side, to walk upon this guilty sod,
and to become the Lamb of God. Oh Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God.
Oh wash me in His precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God. Your gift of love they crucified;
they laughed and scorned Him as He died; the humble King they named a fraud, and sacrificed the Lamb
of God. Oh Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God. Oh wash me in His precious
blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God."

(words and music by T. Paris, 1985; Jubilee Communications, Inc./admin by Capitol CMG Publishing)

(this piano solo: Straightway Music/Mountain Spring Music, 2004)

****Doxology - 606**

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 - 738***O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee*****Benediction****Postlude***Crucifix*

arr. G. Blake

Romans 4: 25: *He was delivered over to death for our sins, and was raised to life for our justification.*

"Come unto Him, all ye who weep, for He, too, weepeth. Come unto Him, all ye who mourn, for He can heal!
Come unto Him, all ye who weep, for He, too, weepeth. Come unto Him, all ye who mourn, for He can heal!
Come unto Him, all ye who fear. Come unto Him, in woe and weal. Come unto Him, in your last sleep, He never
sleepeth, He never sleepeth, He never sleepeth. Come unto Him in your last sleep, He never sleepeth, he never sleepeth,
He never sleepeth."

(words and music by J.B., Faure, 1873; public domain)

(this organ solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 1986)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



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!

Pine Springs Summer Camp—Director here March 26th

"To provide all campers with a vital encounter with Jesus Christ that leads to growth in Christian faith and discipleship" is the mission of Pine Springs Camp—a Presbyterian summer camp located in Jennerstown, PA. Pine Springs, beloved by the Hoffman family and a favorite of more and more families of the church and community, is the place where you should consider sending your children or grandchildren for an incredible week of fun and faith development. To provide an introduction to the camp and answer any questions you might have, Summer Camp Director Mike Hurley will be at CMPC on Sunday, March 26th. Mike will speak briefly in worship and then have a fuller presentation following worship in the Trinity Room. Please plan to attend if you have interest.



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.

Spring Clean Up

Our annual spring clean-up here at CMPC will be on Saturday May 13th from 8:30-1pm. We will work on various projects inside and outside the church. Some of our tasks include light gardening, window cleaning, painting, and organizing.

This is rain or shine, and please feel free to come and go as your schedule allows. Please contact Tito Baca via pm@cmpcusa.org if you have an interest in working with us or have questions.

We appreciate all those who volunteer their time and efforts! It does make a tremendous difference when we come together to invest in the upkeep of our church and work as one. Thank you!

Mission and Local Outreach

A HOME OF OUR OWN HOWARD, INC., also known as HOME OF OUR OWN (HOOO), is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization in Howard County that was introduced to CMPC Mission Committee in December 2022. Learn more about HOOO using the QR code.



The following is an excerpt from their January Newsletter:

"In this past year, we helped 87 children, giving them a table to eat their meals at, a bed to get a good night's sleep and a place to call home to have their friends come over to play. Besides these children we gave 118 individuals, families, and veterans a new beginning. Transportation picked up 226 donations this past year".

Donations of furniture, beds, bedding, kitchen and household items are accepted. HOOO will pick up all donations. For a complete list of items accepted visit the website. To schedule a donation send an email to donate@homeofourownhoward.org.

Volunteers are needed for data entry and record keeping, client coordination, grant applications, fund raising, outreach to community and corporations, perform minor repairs and cleaning.

To volunteer visit the website and complete the Volunteer contact form (<https://forms.gle/f7DXYMdB2nWJdQVGA>).

Questions? Contact BJ Walworth 410.300.0242 bjwalworth@hotmail.com

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 March 27th, we need volunteers to bake casseroles, deliver and serve the meal from 3:45-6pm. 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



Our Financial Resources Doing God's Work

An update on January 31, 2023 (8% of calendar year):

Actual Income \$48,156 - 10% of budget

Actual Expenses \$45,129 - 8% of budget

Prayer Chain

Did you know CMPC has a Prayer Chain? There are two ways to participate...

1) Join the Prayer Chain group.

Each week, an email is sent to Prayer Chain members listing people who need our prayers. Being part of the Prayer Chain helps to focus on others in need and/or celebrate with praise and joy. Anyone can submit a prayer request. There is no age limit. The power of prayer restores our hope and reminds us of God's enduring love for us. If you would like to join our ministry, please contact Kathleen to have your name added to the list, office@cmpcusa.org

2) Submit a prayer request.

If you have a prayer request, there are forms located in the pews. Or if you prefer, you can email the request to colleenprayerchain@gmail.com. Please ask permission of the person being prayed for before submitting your request.

O Lamb of God Most Holy!

O LAMM GOTTES 7.7.7.7.7.7

Nikolaus Decius, c. 1541

Trans. Arthur Tozer Russell (1806-1874)

Nikolaus Decius, c. 1541



Stanzas 1,2,3

O Lamb of God most ho - ly! Who on the cross did suf - fer,



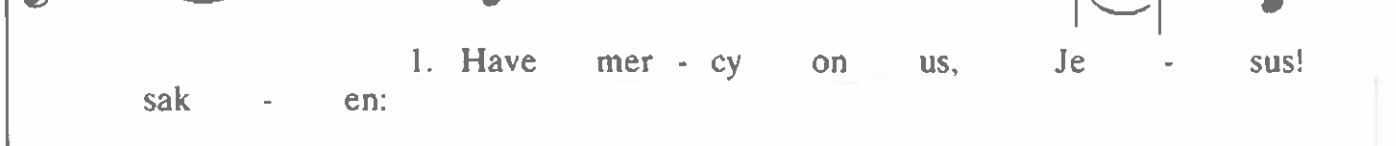
And pa - tient still and low - ly, Your - self to scorn did of - fer;



Our sins by You were tak - en, Or hope had us for -



sak - en: 1. Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus!



408 There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit

1 There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, and I
2 There are bless - ings you can - not re - ceive till you

know that it's the Spir - it of the Lord; there are
know him in his full - ness and be - lieve; you're the

sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, and I
one to prof - it when you say, "I am

know they feel the pres - ence of the Lord.
going to walk with Je - sus all the way."

This gospel hymn grew out of this African American author and composer's intense experience of prayer with her interracial choir in Los Angeles one Sunday morning before worship. She recalled that sense of "a sweet, sweet Spirit" when she sat down at her piano the next day.

Refrain

Sweet Ho - ly Spir - it, sweet heav - en - ly Dove, stay right here

with us, fill - ing us with your love; and for these bless - ings we

lift our hearts in praise; with - out a doubt we'll know that we have

been re - vived when we shall leave this place.

440 Jesus, Lover of My Soul

1 Je - sus, lov - er of my soul, let me to thy bos - om fly,
 2 Oth - er ref - uge have I none; hangs my help - less soul on thee.
 3 Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find.
 4 Plen - teous grace with thee is found, grace to cov - er all my sin.

while the near - er wa - ters roll, while the temp - est still is high.
 Leave, ah! leave me not a - lone; still sup - port and com - fort me.
 Raise the fall - en, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
 Let the heal - ing streams a - bound; make and keep me pure with - in.

Hide me, O my Sav - ior, hide, till the storm of life is past.
 All my trust on thee is stayed; all my help from thee I bring.
 Just and ho - ly is thy name; I am all un - righ - teous - ness.
 Thou of life the foun - tain art; free - ly let me take of thee.

Safe in - to the ha - ven guide. O re - ceive my soul at last!
 Cov - er my de - fense - less head with the shad - ow of thy wing.
 False and full of sin I am; thou art full of truth and grace.
 Spring thou up with - in my heart. Rise to all e - ter - ni - ty.

Originally titled "In Temptation," these four stanzas (of five) call to mind how a spiritual and emotional tempest can move from turmoil to tranquility. This tune was first used with this text in a cantata by the composer in 1910, and since then has become the standard one.

738 O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

1 O Mas - ter, let me walk with thee
 2 Help me the slow of heart to move
 3 Teach me thy pa - tience, still with thee
 4 In hope that sends a shin - ing ray

in low - ly paths of ser - vice free;
 by some clear, win - ning word of love;
 in clos - er, dear - er com - pa - ny,
 far down the fu - ture's broad - ening way;

tell me thy se - cret; help me bear the
 teach me the way - ward feet to stay, and
 in work that keeps faith sweet and strong, in
 in peace that on - ly thou canst give, with

strain of toil, the fret of care.
 guide them in the home - ward way.
 trust that tri - umphs o - ver wrong.
 thee, O Mas - ter, let me live.

In honestly admitting the limits of human ability, this prayerful hymn does not seek a sense of God's presence for self-comfort but for strength and companionship in pursuing the tasks that God sets before us. The author specifically chose this tune to accompany his words.