

Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

May 7, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Blessed Be Your Name with At the Name of Jesus

arr. C. Tornquist

Philippians 2:9-11: Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

"Blessed be Your name in the land that is plentiful, where Your streams of abundance flow, 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 B. and M. Redman, 2002; ThankYou Music; admin by Capitol CMG Publishing)

"At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess him King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord, who from the beginning was the mighty Word. In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy, all that is not true; crown him as your captain in temptation's hour; let his will enfold you in its light and pow'r."

(words by C. Noel, 1870; music by J. Mountain, 1870; public domain)

(this piano solo: ThankYou Music, 2002/Alfred Publishing Co., Inc., 2011)

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**

L: Let us worship God.

P: "He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust."

L: Let us confess with our mouths, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

P: "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

L: Let us worship God!

Sarah Trodden

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Almighty God, your word offers freedom from sin, but we confess that we have not obeyed your word. We have harbored malice toward our enemies; we have been deceitful in our relationships; we have been insincere in our commitments; through gossip we have slandered our friends. Forgive us our sins and lead us to genuine repentance. Help your children long for your pure, spiritual milk that we may grow into the joy of salvation through Jesus 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 - insert

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

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 announccements for special instructions

Word in Music

Blessed Be the Name

arr. T. Fettke

Psalm 113: 2-3: Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time forth and for evermore. From the rising of the sun unto the going down of the same the Lord's name is to be praised.

(words are from a 19th century hymn composed by R. Hudson, translated by W. Clark) (music (*Blessed Name*) is anonymous; public domain)

(this choral arrangement: Alfred Publishing Co., Inc., 2006)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Acts 7:55-60 Matthew 5: 10-12

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

Sermon

Something to Die/Live For

Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn** -819

Be Still, 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!

How Excellent Is Thy Name Psalm 8: 1a: O Lord, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth,

arr. T. Doran

"How excellent is Thy name O Lord, how excellent is Thy name. Heaven and earth together proclaim how excellent is Thy name. I look into the midnight blue, and see the work You've done. Your children raise a perfect praise while enemies hold their tongue. Creation shows Your splendor, Your reigning majesty; and yet I find You take the time to care for one like me. How excellent is Thy name O Lord, how excellent is Thy name. Heaven and earth together proclaim how excellent is Thy name!" (words and music by M. and D. Tunney/P. Smith; 1985; Universal Music/Brentwood Benson Publishing, Inc.) (admin. by Marquis III Music/Word Music)

(this organ solo: Lillenas Publishing Company, 1993)

****Doxology** - insert

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

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

How Beautiful Luke 22:19-20: After taking the bread and giving thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way, he took the cup after the meal and said, "This cup is the new covenant by my blood, which is poured out for you."

"How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ. How beautiful the heart that bled, that took all my sin and bore it instead. How beautiful the tender eyes. that chose to forgive and never despise. How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ."

(words and music by T. Paris, 1990 Ariose Music/ Mountain Spring Music; admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

(this piano solo: Ariose Music/ Mountain Spring Music. 1990)

Prayer

**Hymn -829

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

****Benediction**

Postlude

How Majestic Is Your Name Psalm 8:9: Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! arr. T. Doran

arr. P. Keveren

"Oh Lord our Lord how majestic is Your name in all the earth. Oh Lord our Lord how majestic is Your name in all the earth/ Oh Lord, we praise Your name. Oh Lord, we magnify Your name, Prince of Peace, Mighty God. Oh Lord God Almighty!" (words and music by Michael W. Smith, 1981; Meadowgreen Music Company/admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

(this organ solo: Meadowgreen Music Co., 1981)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

CMPC Seeking Accompanist/Pianist

With longtime and beloved accompanist and pianist Lorri Yawney retiring this summer CMPC will be in need of a new accompanist/pianist to work with the music ministries of the church. Though we will be posting the job description to an employment website, we expect that the person we will ultimately hire will likely find us via word-of-mouth and/or through professional or personal contact. Thus, we have posted the position description to the church website and ask that if you know of any qualified candidates that you direct them there to find out more. And, of course, please keep this process in your prayers. Thank you!

Our Financial Resources Doing God's Work

An update on March 31, 2023 (25% of calendar year): Actual Income \$140,529 - 30% of budget Actual Expenses \$134,321 - 24% of budget

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!

Graduation Open House

The Hoffman family cordially invites our brothers and sisters of CMPC to celebrate Kylee's high school graduation with an open house in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, May 27, 1:00-4:00 pm. Please join the "village" of people who have surrounded Kylee with love and helped her reach this milestone. RSVP's are kindly requested by using the QR code below or by emailing Ashlee Hoffman at ashleehoffman@yahoo.com.





Attention all graduates!

CMPC would like to recognize all of our graduates on Graduation Sunday, May 21st! If you or someone you know from the CMPC family is graduating from high school, trade school, college, or graduate school, please send us a brief paragraph featuring the graduate's name, the institution they are graduating from, and future plans. Pictures should also be included. Please send write-ups to Kathleen at office@cmpcusa.org by Tuesday, May 16th.

GIFT Movie Night

All ages are invited to join us this evening (5:00-8:00pm) for our next GIFT (Generations In Faith Together) event--a Movie Night, presented by the Christian Education and Fellowship Committees. Donations accepted to defray the cost of the meal (pizza) and snacks. Bring a comfy chair. RSVP by May 6 to GIFT@cmpcusa.org. Nursery available if requested by April 30th.

Akeelah and the Bee (PG) tells the story of an 11-year old girl who participates in the National Spelling Bee. The theme for the inspirational movie is about overcoming obstacles despite difficult challenges along the way. Akeelah is coached by Dr. Larabee, portrayed by Laurence Fishburne.



Nominating Process

The Nominating Committee has begun its work of discerning the sisters and brothers of CMPC who God is calling to serve as Elders and Deacons in the class of 2026. Perhaps that is you. Perhaps it is someone you have witnessed exhibiting the qualities our congregation needs in its leadership. In the months ahead, the committee will be reaching out to members asking them (you) to consider service on the session or diaconate. Please begin now prayerfully considering if this is something to which you feel called or if there is someone you think God might be preparing to serve. If you have any questions please feel free to contact committee chair Judy Brown at jbrown10632@gmail.com.

Vacation Bible School

Join us this summer!

Vacation Bible School is back for summer 2023 and registration is filling up quickly! Join us on a Stellar Adventure as we learn about shining Jesus' light during the week of July 10th-14th. Vacation Bible School will run daily from 9 AM to 12 PM. We are also looking for teen leaders to support our elementary crews (middle school, high school, and college). Please reach out to Laura Jean Graybeal vbs@cmpcusa.org if you are interested in helping! Register Here:



VBS Donation Board and Amazon Wish List

If you are unable to volunteer in person during VBS, there are still ways to help! A donation board of needed snack supplies will be placed in the narthex. Please check the board to see if there are any items that you would be able to donate. Mark donations as VBS and bring them to church by June 25th. Additional items can be purchased from our Amazon Wish List below.



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 May 22nd, we need volunteers to bake casseroles, deliver and serve the meal from 3:45-6pm. For more information, please contact Todd Stubbs at todd.stubbs@gmail.com. Sign up below:



Nursery Help Needed

Volunteers are needed to help in the nursery during worship. If you are willing to be on a list of substitutes, please contact Delores McBirney at deloresmcbirney@verizon.net



CMPC Annual Musical Treats & Sweets: Night at the Movies

Sunday evening, June 11 (6-8:00pm) will be a wonderful evening of musical performances, a silent auction, and free treats. Suggested donation at the door is \$5. This is a fundraiser to benefit the GenOn Youth Summit attendance (for our community and a community in-need). The theme this year is Night at the Movies. If you would like to perform, contact Lindsey Kim (lindseyathorne@yahoo.com) (she can help you find an accompanist if needed). If you have a sweet treat or specialty item for the auction, contact Tom and Meg Engle (dpgroove@hotmail.com) or something for the snack table contact Joyce Danzig (joyce.danzig@gmail.com). If you have a hosted event for the auction, contact Ashlyn Sowell (ashlynsowell@yahoo.com).

ADORATION



The original French text, sometimes attributed to John Calvin, seems to be a Protestant reworking of a Roman Catholic hymn, not a typical practice for him. Yet this text and tune (adapted from GENEVAN 124) clearly date from the early years of the Reformed tradition.



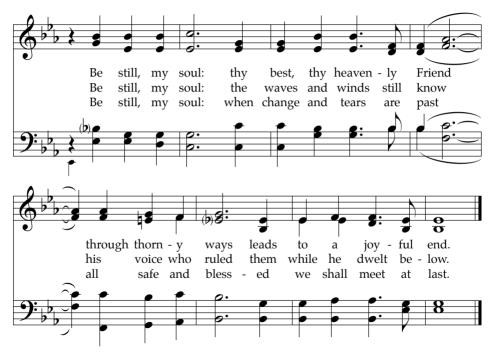
This text and tune were created together in the context of an ecumenical, charismatic, missionary Christian community in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Their energy and emphasis center in the opening and closing refrain's "Alleluia"—the essential Easter word of proclamation.

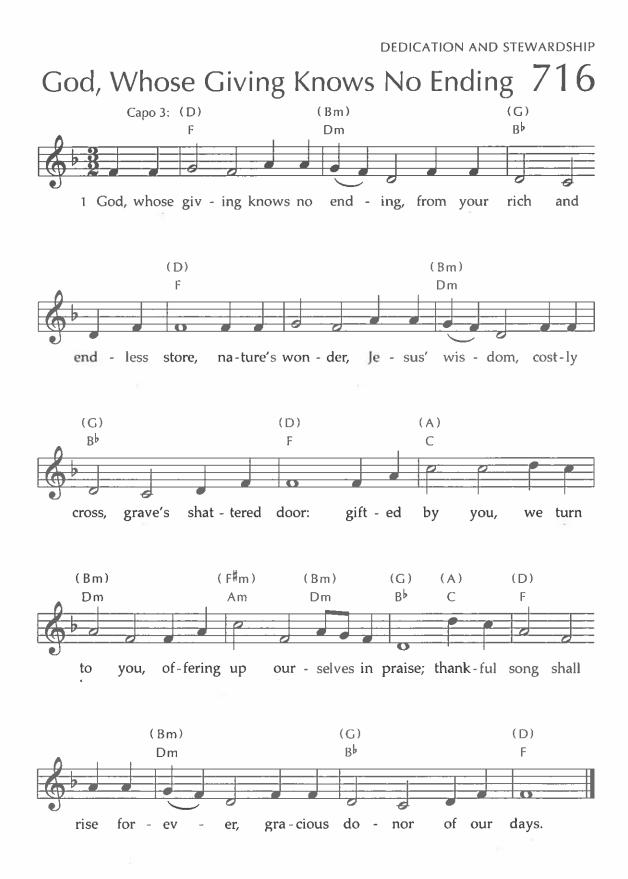
LIVING AND DYING IN CHRIST



This meditative text seems to be rooted in Psalm 46:10, "Be still and know that I am God," while also reaching forward to 1 Thessalonians 4:17b, "we will be with the Lord forever." Much of the appeal of this hymn comes from its tune, named for the tone poem on which it is based.

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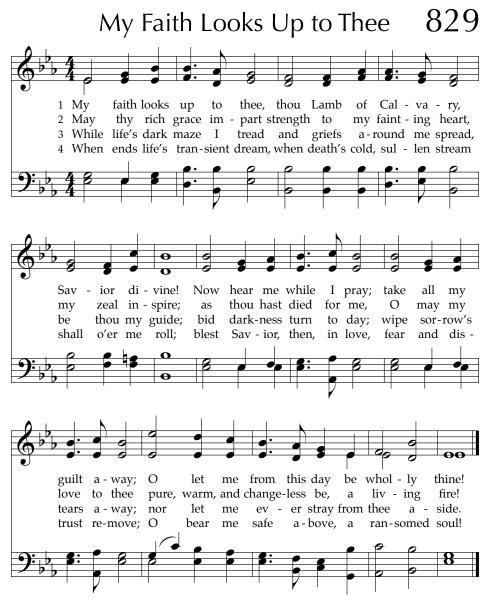




Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

LIVING AND DYING IN CHRIST



Originally a poem of private reflection, this text was offered to the composer when he asked the author if he had written anything that could be set to music for a new hymn and tune collection. This was the first tune written for these words and has proved the most enduring.