

# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

June 11, 2023 10:30 a.m.

# **Order of Worship**

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

**Prelude** 

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing Psalm 35:28: My tongue will speak of your praises all day long.

arr. L. Mason

"O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise; the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace. My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim; to spread thru all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name."

(words by C. Wesley, 1739; music (Azmon) by C. Glaser, 1828; public domain)

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

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**

Liz Perraud

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: To be gathered in the name of Jesus Christ is such a wondrous thing.
- P: Why? We find ourselves close together on other occasions. Why is our gathering today so wondrous?
- L: It is wondrous because the opportunity to worship comes as a gift from God. It is because of God's searching love, God's desire to enter into a covenant with a peculiar people, God's willingness to give his life for ourselves ... that we are even here.
- P: That God has shared his life for us is full of wonder. And that we can respond in service ... to live our such Good News is wondrous, too.

All: Let us be gathered that we may celebrate and serve. Let us worship God.

\*\*Hymn - 394

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation

# \*\*Silent Prayer of Confession

# \*\*Common Prayer of Confession

O Sovereign God, we confess that our plans for ourselves ignore the needs of many of our sisters and brothers. We try to shut out the larger world that does not fit our comfortable design. We are angry when called to account, and bitter when circumstances do not work out to our advantage. We are quick to see the sins of others and slow to recognize our own. Keep us from throwing stones, O God, and protect us from the missiles others would throw at us. Forgive our preoccupation with minor concerns in the midst of major problems. Lead us, so we may imitate your ways and walk in your love, through Jesus Christ ...

### \*\*Assurance of Pardon

L: The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

P: He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

L: For as the heavens are high above the earth, so great is God's steadfast love toward those who fear him.

All: As far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

\*\*Response - insert

*Spirit of the Living God* 

Moment with Children Hannah Miller

\*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** 

We Come to Say Thank You

by P. Choplin

Isaiah 12:4-5: And in that day you will say "Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name. Make known His deeds among the peoples; make them remember that His name is exalted. Praise the Lord in song, for He has done excellent things; let this be known throughout the earth.

# Congregation is invited to sing when cued; see insert for music

(this choral anthem: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2015)

**Prayer for Illumination** 

Scriptures Matthew 18:21-35

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

**Sermon** The Music of Forgiveness Rev. Bob Culp

\*\***Hymn** -436 God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us

## **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

# Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus/Open Our Eyes, Lord

arr. L. Mayfield

Ephesians 1:18: I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people.

"Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face; and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of His glory and grace." (words and music by H.H. Lemmel, 1922; public domain)

"Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus; to reach out and touch him, and say that we love him.

Open our ears, Lord, and help us to listen. Open our eyes, Lord, we want to see Jesus."

(words and music by R. Cull, 1976; CCCM Music/admin. by Brentwood-Benson Music Publishing, Inc.)

(this organ solo: Singspiration Music/ASCAP. 1922; renewed by Benson Music Group, Inc., year unknown)

# \*\***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** –450

Be Thou My Vision

### \*\*Benediction

**Postlude** 

Be Thou My Vision

arr. M. Hyzer

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."

(words are from an Irish poem, translated by M. Byrne, 1905)

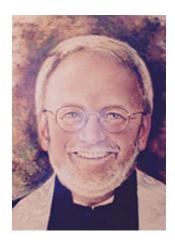
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# **Announcements and Upcoming Events**



# Welcome back Rev. Culp!

Stepping into the pulpit in Reverend Hoffman's absence today is Reverend Bob Culp. Rev. Culp is a graduate of Westminster College (PA) and Princeton Theological Seminary, where he received his Master of Divinity Degree in 1975 (in Biblical Studies) and his Master of Theology Degree in 1992 (in Homiletics). He served 5 different parishes in the eastern U.S. before his retirement in October, 2013. He and his wife Kathy now reside in Sykesville, MD. Rev. Culp and Kathy are parents to 3 grown daughters and grandparents to 3 grandchildren.

# **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!

# **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



# **Celebrating Lorri Yawney**

All are invited to join our CMPC family for a special luncheon in honor of our retiring Accompanist/Pianist Lorri Yawney following worship on Sunday, June 18. The luncheon will be catered, and we will take the opportunity to celebrate Lorri and wish her well as she moves on from CMPC. Please RSVP to the church office (office@cmpcusa.org) so we can make sure there is plenty of food for everyone. We hope to see you there!

# **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.

# **CMPC Annual Musical Treats & Sweets: Night at the Movies**

TONIGHT (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. We hope to see you!

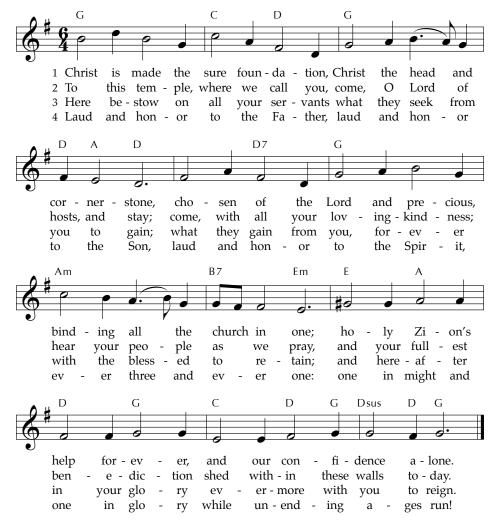


# **VBS Donation Board and Amazon Wish List**

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.



# Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation 394



Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Although this ancient text has often been used at church dedications, the first stanza clearly refers to the people of God and the second to the place where they meet. The stately and soaring tune is aptly named for the edifice where the composer served as organist and is buried.



### KOREAN

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### **SPANISH**

Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí. Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí. Tómame, cámbiame, lléname, úsame. Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.

Both the words and the music of this prayer-song were written by a Presbyterian minister from Tarboro, North Carolina. The words were initially inspired by Jeremiah 18:1–6; a friend helped him set them to music during an evangelistic meeting in Orlando, Florida, where the song was first sung.



# We Come to Say Thank You

Words and Music by Pepper Choplin



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# God of Compassion, in Mercy 436 Befriend Us



By ending with questions rather than simple affirmations, this text conveys a strong sense of faith in God's presence and guidance without ignoring how much of the future remains unknown. The confidence of the text is well matched by its sturdy 17th-century French tune.



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These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.