



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

***June 25, 2023 10:30 a.m.***

## **Order of Worship**

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

### **Prelude**

*My Faith Looks Up To Thee*

arr. R.J. Hughes

Ephesians 3:12: *In him and through faith in him we may approach God with freedom and confidence.*

"My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine. Now hear me while I pray; take all my guilt away;  
O let me from this day be wholly thine!"

(words by R. Palmer, 1830; music (*Olivet*) by L. Mason, 1831; public domain)

(this organ solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 1972)

### **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: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

**P: This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

L: O come, let us sing to the Lord, and let us shout with joy to the rock of our salvation.

**P: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving, singing joyful songs of praise.**

**All: Let us sing and give praise to God's name! Let us tell the glad news of salvation each day! Let us worship the Lord!**

### **\*\*Hymn – 2**

*Come, Thou Almighty King*

## **\*\*Silent Prayer of Confession**

## **\*\*Common Prayer of Confession**

**Dear God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: we confess that the full measure of your love revealed in Jesus Christ is rarely grasped by us in other than a superficial way. We tend to take your love for granted, we are lazy in pursuing the disciplines of our faith, we forget too often that we are a people for whom our Lord gave his life. And by our daily lives, we reflect more of our world than of your kingdom. Lord: forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all wrong-doing. Free us to become your faithful vanguard on earth, boldly proclaiming your Good News in our words and deeds, our thoughts and love each new day, through Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.**

## **\*\*Assurance of Pardon**

L: Hear the Good News! Who is in a position to condemn? Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ was raised for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

**P: Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old life has gone. And a new life has begun!**

**Unison: Let us trust that in Christ we are forgiven. Let us be at peace. Let us be filled with joy! We are forgiven!**

## **\*\*Response - insert**

*Spirit of the Living 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*

## **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Scriptures**

Hebrews 11  
(selected verses)

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

## **Sermon**

The Gift of Being Faithful

Rev. Bob Culp

## **\*\*Hymn - 620**

*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

## **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**

*My Faith Has Found a Resting Place*

arr. V. Labenske

Psalm 132:14: *This is my resting-place forever; here I will reside, for I have desired it.*

*"My faith has found a resting place, not in device or creed. I trust the ever living One, His wounds for me shall plead. I need no other argument, I need no other plea. It is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me. My heart is leaning on the Word, the written Word of God. Salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through His blood. I need no other argument. I need no other plea. It is enough that Jesus died, and that He died for me."*

(words by A.E. Modeste Gretry; 1891; music (*Landas*) by E.E. Hewitt; year unknown; public domain)

(this piano solo: Alfred Publishing Co., Inc., 2009)

**\*\*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.
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**Prayers of Thanksgiving with The Lord's Prayer (using "debts")**

**\*\*Hymn - 730**

*I Sing a Song of the Saints of God*

**\*\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*He Will Carry You*

arr. L. Smith

Isaiah 46:4: *I have made you and I will carry you; I will sustain you and I will rescue you.*

"There is no problem so big God cannot solve it; There is no mountain so tall He cannot move it.  
There is no storm so dark God cannot calm it; there is no sorrow so deep God cannot soothe it.  
If He carried the weight of the world upon His shoulders, I know my brother that He will carry you.  
If He carried the weight of the world upon His shoulders, I know my brother that He will carry you,"  
(words and music by S.W. Brown, 1982; Universal Music/Brentwood Benson Publishing)  
(Brentwood-Benson Music Publishing, Inc./Birdwing Music; admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

(this organ solo: BMG Songs, Inc./Birdwing Music, 1994)

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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!

## 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. In addition, we are still accepting financial donations to pay for scholarships and supplies.



## VBS Decorating

We would love your help as we prepare for Vacation Bible School at Christ Memorial. All call for decorating and preparing on Saturday, July 8th from 9-11 am! Join us as we turn our church into a world of Outer Space to welcome the kids on Monday July 10th!

## Our Financial Resources Doing God's Work

An update on May 31, 2023 (42% of calendar year):

Actual Income \$210,419 - 45% of budget

Actual Expenses \$221,422 - 42% of budget

## 2 Come, Thou Almighty King

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy  
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, mer - ci - ful,  
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred  
 4 To thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal

name to sing; help us to praise:  
 might - y Lord, our prayer at - tend.  
 wit - ness bear in this glad hour.  
 prais - es be, hence ev - er - more!

Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
 Come, and thy peo - ple bless, and give thy word suc - cess;  
 Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in ev - ery heart,  
 Thy sov - ereign maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

come, and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.  
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of power.  
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

The author of this Trinitarian text is unknown, but this hymn has proved popular since the middle of the 18th century, partly because of its effective use of biblical metaphors, but also because of the strength of this tune, which was composed especially for these words.

# Spirit of the Living God 288

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

Melt me; mold me; fill me; use me.

Spir - it of the liv - ing God, fall a - fresh on me.

## KOREAN

살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서  
 살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서  
 빛으시고 채우소서  
 살아계신 주 성령 내게 오소서

## SPANISH

*Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.  
 Santo Espíritu de Dios, ven sobre mí.  
 Tómane, 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.

# 620 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

(Psalm 103)

1 Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en; to his  
 2 Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to his  
 3 Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our  
 4 An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be -

feet your trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for -  
 peo - ple in dis - tress; praise him still the same as  
 fee - ble frame he knows; in his hands he gent - ly  
 hold him face to face. Sun and moon, bow down be -

giv - en, ev - er - more his prais - es sing: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 ev - er, slow to chide, and swift to bless: Al - le - lu - ia!  
 bears us, res - cues us from all our foes. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Wide - ly yet his mer - cy flows.  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace.

This free paraphrase of Psalm 103 gains much energy and conviction by including the double "Alleluia!" before the final line of text. That repeated four-note figure descending from the tune's highest note gives voice to the praise that the rest of the hymn evokes.

## I Sing a Song of the Saints of God 730



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, pa - tient and  
 2 They loved their Lord so dear, so dear, and God's love  
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past; there are hun - dreds of



brave and true, who toiled and fought and lived and  
 made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for Je - sus'  
 thou - sands still; the world is bright with the joy - ous



died for the Lord they loved and knew. And one was a  
 sake, the whole of their good lives long. And one was a  
 saints who love to do Je - sus' will. You can meet them in



doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep - herd - ess  
 sol - dier, and one was a priest, and one was slain by a  
 school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains, or in



on the green: they were all of them saints of  
 fierce wild beast: and there's not an - y rea - son,  
 shops, or at tea; for the saints of God are just



God, and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.  
 no, not the least, why I should - n't be one too.  
 folk like me, and I mean to be one too.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

Despite the quaintness of some of the language in this text, it has an important message to communicate about the down-to-earth ordinariness of the holy people of God at all times and places. The tune name honors the island in Vermont's Lake Champlain where the composer lived.