



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**August 27, 2023 10:30 a.m.**

## Order of Worship

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

### **Prelude**

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

arr. L. Smith

Psalm 105:1-2: *Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!  
Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those  
who seek the Lord rejoice!*

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and salvation!  
Come, all who hear; now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me  
adore him! All that has life and breath, come now with praises before him. Let the Amen sound from His people again;  
gladly forever adore him."

(words by J. Neander, 1860; music (*Lobe Den Herren*) by C. Winkworth, 1863; song is public domain)  
(this organ solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 1977)

### **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**

Ryan Thomas

L: We give thanks to God with our whole heart.

**P: We give thanks for God's steadfast love and faithfulness!**

L: Though high above all things, God sees the lowly.

**P: Even when we are in deep trouble, God makes us live again. The love of God lasts forever!**

L: Let us worship God!

#### **\*\*Hymn – 681**

*This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made*

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

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

**Forgiving God, we confess that we are conformed to this world. We conform to this world's frantic pace, too hectic to notice all the blessings you provide. We conform to this world's reckless waste, exploiting what you entrust to our care. We conform to this world's shallow values, oblivious to the giftedness of people different from us. We conform to this world's impatient attitudes, preferring the latest instead of the lasting. Forgive our conformity and transform us, O God. We pray in Jesus' name. 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**

*Spirit of the Living God*

**Blessing of the Backpacks**

**Moment with Children**

Sarah Trodden

*\*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**

Exodus 1: 8-2: 10

Mark 15: 42-46

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Small Actors

Rev. Scott Hoffman

**\*\*Hymn - 47**

*Bless All Who Trust in God*

**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**

*I Sing the Mighty Power of God*

arr. P. Rodriguez

*Psalm 96:1, 2: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.*

*"I sing the mighty power of God, that made the mountains rise; that spread the flowing seas abroad,  
and built the lofty skies. I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day; the moon shines full  
at God's command, and all the stars obey. I sing the goodness of the Lord, who filled the earth with food;  
who formed the creatures thru the Word, and then pronounced them good. Lord, how thy wonders are  
displayed, where'er I turn my eye; if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky."*

*(words by I. Watts, 1715; music (Forest Green) is an English Folk Tune)*

*(arr. by R. Vaughan Williams, 1907; song is public domain)*

*(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2007)*

**\*\*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 - 81**

*Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken*

**\*\*Benediction**

**Postlude**

*Your Name, Oh Lord, Is Majestic*

arr. E. Broughton

Psalm 145:5: *On the glorious splendor of Your majesty and on Your wonderful works, I will meditate*

(this organ solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2008)

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# Announcements and Upcoming Events

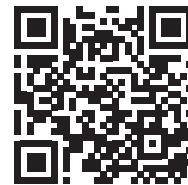
## Nominating Process

The Nominating Committee is continuing 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 next few weeks, the committee will be reaching out to members asking them (you) to consider service on the session or diaconate. If you should be contacted, please prayerfully and seriously consider if this is something to which you feel called even if you have some doubts. All good leaders have SOME doubts and questions! If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the nominating committee chair Judy Brown at [jbrown10632@gmail.com](mailto:jbrown10632@gmail.com).



## Outdoor Worship and Picnic

The annual church picnic will take place immediately following the outdoor worship service on September 17, 2023. BBQ meat, buns, and beverages will be provided. If your last name begins with A-M, please bring a side dish. If your last name begins with N-Z, please bring a dessert. Please RSVP below.



## At last.....Directory Available

After months of taking family photos and collecting pictures from various events at the church, our directory is complete! Thank you to all who lent a helping hand. An extra special "Thank YOU" to Kathleen Smith for her patience, tech support and helpful advice!

The CMPC directory is ready for pick up! We asked members to pay \$5 to cover the cost of printing. If you have already paid, thank you! If you haven't paid, please pay when you pick up your directory. Please stop by Fellowship Hall, after worship, for your copy. One copy per household.

A special thank you to Brown & Associates, Inc. for printing the directories and processing our order promptly.

**Want more CMPC news and events? Subscribe to our weekly Friday E-News at:  
[www.cmpcusa.org/newsletters](http://www.cmpcusa.org/newsletters)**

## Mission for Maui

In response to the devastating wildfires in Maui, the Mission Committee would like to take up a special collection for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) relief efforts on Maui. PDA is identifying local partners and assessing needs to determine how best to respond to immediate needs for shelter, healthcare, food, and counseling for survivors, among other things. M&LO will match funds raised from the congregation. Donations can be made specifying Maui Relief or online via the church's website.

## CMPC's Participation in GenOn Youth Summit 2023

Please check out our blog post for a review of our GenOn experience!



## 681 This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made

(Psalm 118)

1 This is the day the Lord hath made; the hours are  
 2 Ho - san - na to the a - noint - ed King, to Da - vid's  
 3 Blest be the Lord, who comes in power with mes - sag -  
 4 Ho - san - na in the high - est strains the church on

all God's own. Let heaven re - jice; let  
 ho - ly Son! Help us, O Lord; de -  
 es of grace, who comes in this ac -  
 earth can raise! The high - est heavens in

earth be glad, and praise sur - round the throne.  
 scend and bring sal - va - tion from the throne.  
 cept - ed hour to save our sin - ful race.  
 which God reigns shall now re - sound with praise.

These stanzas provide Watts's paraphrase of Psalm 118:24–29 (minus a stanza he inserted about Easter and Pentecost as part of his effort to Christianize the Psalms). They are set to a tune composed for and named by a Paul Gerhardt text, "Now Let All Thank and Bring Honor."

# 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.  
 Tóname, 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.

## Bless All Who Trust in God

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(Psalm 128)

1 Bless all who trust in God and walk with - in God's ways;  
 2 Let fam - i - lies be strong and spar - kle bright as wine;  
 3 And since we may not boast such joys are ours by right,

bless ev - ery soul whose hap - pi - ness springs from the Lord's own praise!  
 let part - ners and let chil - dren thrive and flour - ish like the vine!  
 teach us, good Lord, to take your gifts with thanks and with de - light.

This paraphrase of Psalm 128 effectively communicates the central theme of this short psalm that would have been sung by pilgrims while making their way to Jerusalem: trusting in God's sovereignty is the only true source of blessing, both for ourselves and for those we love.



# 81 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

1 Glo - rious things of thee are spo - ken, Zi - on, cit - y of our God.  
 2 Round each hab - i - ta - tion hov - ering, see the cloud and fire ap - pear  
 3 See, the streams of liv - ing wa - ters, spring - ing from e - ter - nal love,

God, whose word can - not be bro - ken, formed thee for a blest a - bode.  
 for a glo - ry and a cov - ering, show - ing that the Lord is near.  
 well sup - ply thy sons and daugh - ters and all fear of want re - move.

On the rock of a - ges found - ed, what can shake thy sure re - pose?  
 Thus de - riv - ing from their ban - ner light by night and shade by day,  
 Who can faint while such a riv - er ev - er flows, their thirst to as - suage?

With sal - va - tion's walls sur - round - ed, thou may'st smile at all thy foes.  
 safe they feed up - on the man - na which God gives them when they pray.  
 Grace, so like the Lord the giv - er, nev - er fails from age to age.

The Nazi appropriation of this tune for propoganda purposes has clouded a noble piece of music first associated with this text in 1889. In a 1779 collection, the author indicated that this hymn is primarily based on Isaiah 33:20-21 with allusions to several other passages.