



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**October 22, 2023 10:30 a.m.**

## Order of Worship

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

### **Prelude**

*Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus*

arr. C. Berry

Luke 9: 23: *Then he said to them all, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.*

"Stand up, stand up for Jesus ye soldiers of the cross; lift high his royal banner, it must not suffer loss: from vict'ry unto vict'ry his army he shall lead, 'til ev'ry foe is vanquished, and Christ is Lord indeed. Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the trumpet call obey; forth to the mighty conflict in this his glorious day. Ye that are men now serve him against unnumbered foes; let courage rise with danger, and strength to strength oppose." (by George Duffield, 1858; public domain) (this piano solo: Word Music, LLC, 1988)

### **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**

### **Minute for Stewardship**

### **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: Sing to the Lord and bless God's name.

**P: Tell of God's saving power from day to day.**

L: Worship the Lord in holy splendor.

**P: Tremble before God, all the earth.**

L: Let us worship God!

### **\*\*Hymn – 610**

*O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing*

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

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

**What a debt we owe to you, O God. You have given us all things in Christ and yet we withhold from you the honor and glory that are yours. Instead, we pay tribute to empire, plot to entrap the innocent, mock your truth with empty praise, and put your patience to the test. Forgive us, O God, and by your grace restore in us the image of your face; through Christ Jesus our Lord. 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*

**Presentation of Bibles**

**Moment with Children**

*\*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**

*Stand Up!*

choral setting by J. Raney

1 Corinthians 16: 13: *Stand firm in the faith; be courageous, be strong.*

(all songs within this arrangement are public domain)  
(this choral arrangement: Hope Publishing Co., 2009)

**Prayer for Illumination**

**Scriptures**

Psalm 96: 1-9  
Matthew 22: 15-22

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Emperor and God

Rev. Scott Hoffman

**\*\*Hymn - 724**

*O Jesus, I Have Promised*

**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

### *Standing on the Promises*

arr. M. Hayes

2 Peter 1:4a: *He has given us his very great and precious promises.*

"Standing on the promises of Christ, my King, through eternal ages let his praises ring; glory in the highest, I will shout and sing, "Standing on the promises of God." Standing, standing, standing on the promises of God, my Savior; standing, standing, I'm standing on the promises of God."  
(words and music (*Promises*) by R.K. Carter; 1886, public domain)

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

## \*\*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 - 269

### *Lead On, O King Eternal!*

## \*\*Benediction

## Postlude

### *Cortege*

by G. Young

Matthew 28:20: *I am with you always, even unto the end of the world.*

(this organ solo: Harold Flammer Publishers, 1962)

## Music Note:

The Word in Music, *Stand Up!*, is a rousing collection of six classic gospel hymns that have the word "stand" in the title: *Stand by Me, Standing on the Promises, I Stand Amazed in the Presence, Standing in the Need of Prayer, Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus, and The Solid Rock ("on Christ the solid Rock I stand")* arranged by Joel Raney, a Chicago-based conductor, composer, arranger, and editor who works for Hope Publishing Company. The prelude, *Standing on the Promises*, and the postlude, *Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus!*, are in keeping with the gospel theme of the anthem.

Thank you to Neil Danzig and Jeff Bruce for providing audio support this week!  
Thank you to Kofi Akuoko for operating the sanctuary cameras this week!

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# Announcements and Upcoming Events

## Church Office Hours

The church office is open Monday - Friday from 1:00 - 5:00pm. If you need to enter the building and do not have a key, please visit the church when the office is open.

## To The Outside, It's a Choral Rehearsal.

On the inside, it's a stress reliever, a sense of belonging, a mood changer, confidence booster, a place you are accepted, a creative outlet, an extended family, a support system, a challenge, a place to discover your best self, and an opportunity to change people's lives through music!

From Choral Singing in America, 2023

The Trinity Choir needs voices! We are in need of new singers, especially men. If you would like to experience any of the above, please contact Joy Exner ([joyousmusic@yahoo.com](mailto:joyousmusic@yahoo.com))

## Mission in Action

In response to the horrific violence against civilians caused by the ongoing Israel-Hamas war, The Mission and Local Outreach Committee has pledged \$2,000 to support relief efforts by Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA). PDA has approved solidarity grants and is supporting local partners in a wide array of emergency interventions, including medical supplies, shelter, WASH (water, sanitation and hygiene), food and non-food items and delivering psychosocial support to individuals. One of PDA's partners is Gaza's Ahli Hospital which was recently bombed causing hundreds of innocent casualties. We invite members of the congregation to join this effort by writing a check or going online to make a contribution. Also, please pray for the safety of hostages, a cease fire, reconciliation, and an end to the violence.

## Summary of the Oct. 16, 2023 Session Meeting

The Session agreed to call a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, Nov. 19 after worship service to vote on the Nominating Committee's slate of 12 officers for the Class of 2026. There are three new candidates for the office of Elder, with three current Elders returning for a second three-year term, and there are six new candidates for the office of Deacon.

In other business:

- The 2024 Stewardship Campaign will kick off Sunday, Oct. 22 with the theme, "Good Stewards of God's Love." A goal of expanding the number of people who pledge to help reach a 10 percent increase in dollars pledged over 2023 was announced.
- The Hunger Task Force that grew out of our Visioning Project was scheduled to meet Oct. 17 to discuss their research on what's available now and how people access aid in order to hone in on how CMPC can best fit into the existing network of services.
- More work on rectifying the ongoing humidity issue in the sanctuary took place Oct. 16 with a "blower door test" to check for air leaks. It was determined that outdoor air infiltration within the light cove area is likely the main culprit. How to best remedy that issue is under study.
- The Session agreed to hold brainstorming sessions on increasing facility usage to further the outreach goals set in our Ministry Expansion Plan, beginning with a committee lunch meeting in conjunction with the Annual Officers' Retreat in mid-January. More details to come.



### **CPR/AED Training**

Howard County Fire and Rescue staff will offer a training on the use of an AED and CPR on Sunday, November 5th, 11:45-1:15 in the Trinity room. Please email [office@cmpcusa.org](mailto:office@cmpcusa.org) to let us know you will attend.

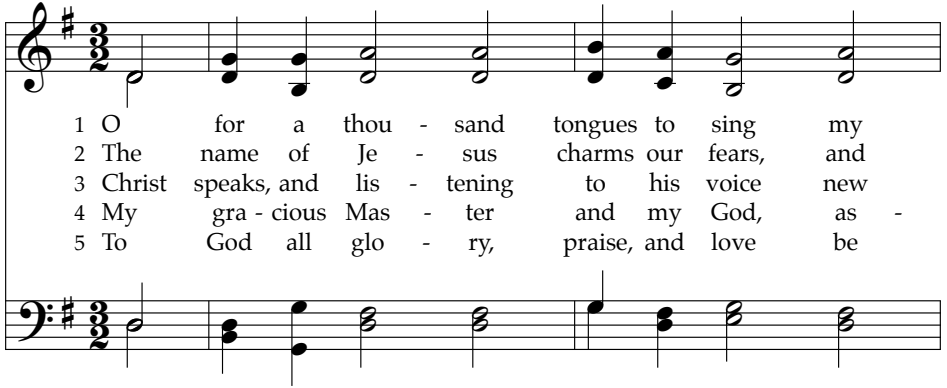
### **The Women's Monday Morning Bible Study Group Second and Fourth Mondays at 9:30am**

Join the CMPC women for the study of *Show Me How to Share the Gospel* by R. Larry Moyer.

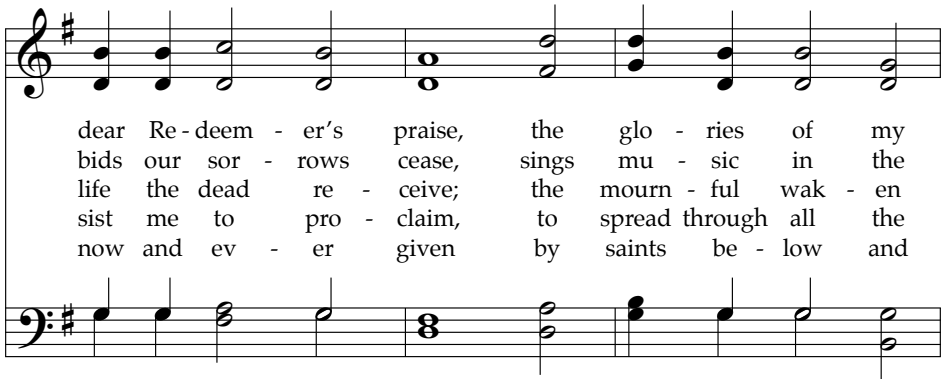
The group meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month in the Trinity Room during the months of September through May. Come be a part of a Christ-centered, fun loving group of ladies.

Please contact Miriam Miller at 410-531-6528, or [jtmillerj@verizon.net](mailto:jtmillerj@verizon.net) or Barbara Petro at 410-300-6279 or [bapetro@aol.com](mailto:bapetro@aol.com) for more information.

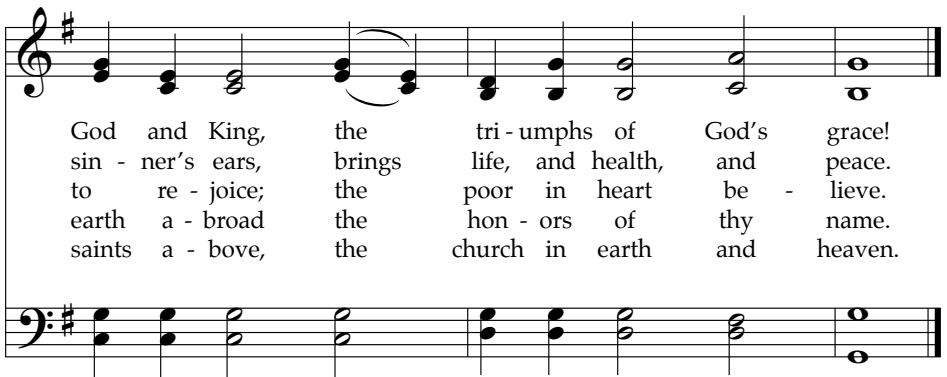
## O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing 610



1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my  
 2 The name of Je - sus charms our fears, and  
 3 Christ speaks, and lis - tening to his voice new  
 4 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -  
 5 To God all glo - ry, praise, and love be



dear Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my  
 bids our sor - rows cease, sings mu - sic in the  
 life the dead re - ceive; the mourn - ful wak - en  
 sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the  
 now and ev - er given by saints be - low and



God and King, the tri - umphs of God's grace!  
 sin - ner's ears, brings life, and health, and peace.  
 to re - joice; the poor in heart be - lieve.  
 earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy name.  
 saints a - bove, the church in earth and heaven.

## SPANISH

- 1 *Mil voces para celebrar  
 a mi Libertador,  
 las glorias de su majestad,  
 los triunfos de su amor.*

## KOREAN

- 1 만 입이 내게 있으면  
 그 입 다 가지고  
 내 구주 주신 은총을  
 늘 찬송하겠네

This text comes from an eighteen-stanza hymn the author wrote to mark the first anniversary of his life-changing conversion experience. It is now customarily the first hymn in Methodist hymnals worldwide. This tune, adapted from a German composer, is the usual North American setting.

## 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  
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 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.

## 724 O Jesus, I Have Promised

1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;  
 2 O let me feel thee near me! The world is ev - er near;  
 3 O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,  
 4 O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee

be thou for - ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;  
 I see the sights that daz - zle; the tempt - ing sounds I hear.  
 a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;  
 that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be.

I shall not fear the bat - tle if thou art by my side,  
 My foes are ev - er near me, a - round me and with - in;  
 O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;  
 And, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;

nor wan - der from the path - way if thou wilt be my guide.  
 but, Je - sus, draw thou near - er and shield my soul from sin.  
 O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.  
 O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Written to highlight the promises made by the author's daughter and two sons at their confirmation, this text equally well recalls the promises of discipleship made in Baptism and in the Reaffirmation of the Baptismal Covenant. The tune was written for a text now unused.



## 269 Lead On, O King Eternal!

1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;  
 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,

hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents shall be our home.  
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;  
 for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears;

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong,  
 for not with swords' loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir - ring drums;  
 your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light.

and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.  
 with deeds of love and mer - cy the heav - en - ly king - dom comes.  
 The crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Not everything that looks like a battle ends up being one. This text, written for a seminary graduation, works well with its martial tune in the first stanza; but later stanzas turn from such imagery and focus on “deeds of love and mercy” and courage for life’s journey.