

Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

November 26, 2023 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven with Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty Psalm 103: 1: Praise the Lord, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise His holy Name.

arr. C. Tornquist

"Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King."

(words by H.F. Lyte, 1834; music (Lauda Anima), 1869; public domain)

"Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!"

(words by J. Neander, 1680 translated by C. Wiinkworth, 1863; music (Lobe Den Herren, 1863; public domain)

(this piano arrangement: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2011, a division of the Lorenz Corp.)

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

Sarah Trodden

L: Lift up your heads, O you gates;

P: Be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

L: Who is this King of glory?

P: The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn** - 35

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord 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

Spirit of the Living God

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 following page for special instructions

Word in Music At His Name by J. Raney

Philippians 2: 9-11: Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name; that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

(this choral arrangement: Hope Publishing Company, 2005)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

John 18: 33-37

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Christ the King Rev. Scott Hoffman

****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

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

arr. L. Larson

Psalm 145: 1: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

"I'm forgiven because You were forsaken; I'm accepted, You were condemned. I'm alive and well, Your Spirit is within me, because You died and rose again. Amazing love, how can it be, that You my King would die for me? Amazing love, I know it's true; it's my joy to honor You. In all I do, I honor You. You are my King. You are my King. Jesus, You are my King. Jesus, You are my King."

(words and music by Billy J. Foote, 1996)

(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2006; admin. by EMI Christian Music Publishing)

**Doxology - 710

We Lift Our Voices

All that we have, We lift our voices: 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** - 364 Lift Up the Gates Eternal

**Benediction

Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God

arr. V. Fox

2 Corinthians 13:14: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

(this organ solo from Cantata No. 79 by J.S. Bach; Alfred Publishing, 1959; renewed 1987)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

Good Stewards of God's Love

As the Bible teaches us, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." – 1Peter 4:10

Thank you to those who have completed their 2024 pledges. With your help, we have reached nearly 82% of our goal. If you have not completed your pledge, its not too late! You may do so online using link below. If you are unable to pledge online, you may print a 2024 pledge card at the same link and place it in the offering plate.

Thank you for being Good Stewards of God's Love and for supporting CMPC's mission!



Cold Weather Shelter

Next month, CMPC joins with local churches and partner organizations to support the Grassroots Cold Weather Shelter (CWS) program.

For the past couple of years, the CWS program has kept many families housed and fed in a local hotel during the winter season. We had hoped to host the shelter at CMPC this season but due to scheduling complications Grassroots will again use local hotels to accommodate their guests during our seasonal mission. Grassroots is asking congregations to supply daily meals for approximately 35 guests and to provide volunteers to help Grassroots staff deliver meals to guest rooms.

CMPC continues the tradition of supporting the CWS program this year from Tuesday, December 26th through Tuesday, January 2nd. We will need 3 volunteers each day to serve and others to provide 35 breakfasts, 35 lunches, and 35 dinners for program guests residing at the hotel. Packaging for meals will be available after service on December 17th. If you are interested in volunteering and/or donating meals, please visit the SignUp Genius page below. If you have guestions, please contact Todd Stubbs at todd.stubbs@gmail.com.



Each year, Grassroots helps individuals and families find permanent housing in the area. Let us come together and share a portion of ourselves in support of this transformational ministry.

Many blessings,

CMPC Mission & Local Outreach

Greening of the Church

All are encouraged to join us on Saturday, December 2nd for our annual tradition of Greening the Church for the Advent and Christmas seasons! We will begin at 9 am and light refreshments will be provided. This is a great activity for all ages!

We are in particular need of "patient" tree trimmers (12 years old and older) for the sanctuary Christmas tree and the foyer tree. These are large trees and are decorated in layers (that's where the patience is needed). Large ladders are involved so we need four people that don't mind climbing plus others who can trim the lower tree layers and hand ornaments to the climbers.

If interested, contact Shelley Clemens, 443-756-2345 or shelleyclemens57@gmail.com.



Angel Tree and Food Drive

Once again, the church will be hosting two holiday giving opportunities. The Angel tree, which will run November 27th through December 15th, is meant to deliver wants and needs to families who may not be able to have gifts during Christmas. This year, ornaments with donation needs will be on the tree in the downstairs lobby way. Please return all donations unwrapped to the church office.

The Food Drive will run December 1st through December 17th, after worship. Most needed items include canned goods(fruits, vegetables, proteins), powdered milk, cereal, condiments, diapers, formula, grains (pasta, bread, rice), and feminine products. Collection bins will be in the narthex, downstairs entry, and outside of the preschool. This year Food Drive items will be sent to Columbia Community Care.

"Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none and anyone who has food shall do the same." Luke 3:10. We are called to care for our brothers and sisters and love our neighbors. Have a joyous holiday and happy giving!

FISH babysitting

The LOGOS FISH high school youth will be bringing back babysitting night, Friday, December 15 from 5:30 to 8:30. Whether you have some Christmas shopping or want an adults night out, the FISH youth will be available to watch your children that evening at CMPC. Pizza and snacks will be provided. \$20 per child and the proceeds will be going towards purchasing presents for families this holiday season. More details to follow.



35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty



This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1–6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.



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.

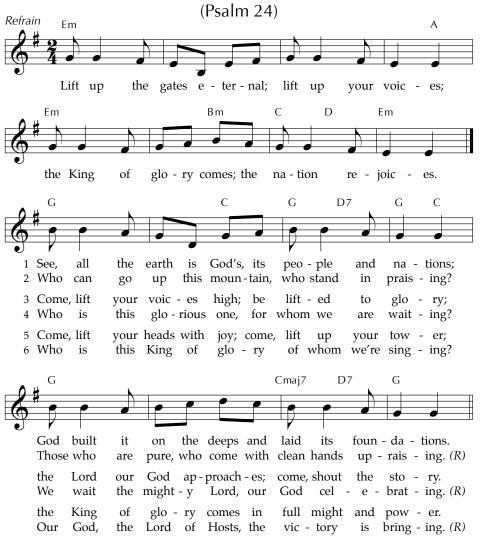
Both the words and the music of this prayer-song were written by a Presbyterian minister from Tarboro, North Carolina. The words were initially inspired by Jeremiah 18:1–6; a friend helped him set them to music during an evangelistic meeting in Orlando, Florida, where the song was first sung.

620 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven



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.

364 Lift Up the Gates Eternal



Gradually increasing tempo can heighten the sense of joy and power in this psalm.

This engaging paraphrase of Psalm 24 gains much of its energy from the Israeli folk song for which it was written. This territorial connection adds another dimension to a many-layered text that speaks both to the themes of Advent and to those of Christ's entry into Jerusalem.