



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

January 28, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

arr. D. Bish

Jeremiah 29: 13: *You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.*

"Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart, Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart. Lord, I want to be like Jesus
in my heart, in my heart; Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart. In my heart, in my heart, Lord,
I want to be like Jesus in my heart."

(song is a traditional African American spiritual that is public domain)
(this organ solo: Fred Bock Music Co., 1980)

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**

Chad Board

L: Let us worship God, our light and our salvation.

P: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives.

L: We desire to live in God's house and to seek God in his holy temple.

P: We have come with shouts of joy, to sing and to make music to the Lord.

L: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

****Hymn – 267**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

God of love, in the wrong we have done and in the good we have not done, we have sinned in ignorance; we have sinned in weakness; we have sinned through our own deliberate fault. We are truly sorry. We repent and turn to you. Forgive us and renew our lives through Jesus Christ, 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 -187**

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us
You have promised to receive us,
poor and sinful though we be;
you have mercy to relieve us,
grace to cleanse, and power to free.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
early let us turn to you.
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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

Word in Music

Guide My Feet

arr. L. Larson

Psalm 119:105: *Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.*

(song is a traditional African American spiritual that is public domain)
(this choral arrangement: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2018)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Isaiah 40: 27-31

Mark 1:21-35

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Jesus Has the Power

Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn - 263**

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

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

Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us

arr. D. Krieger

Isaiah 40: 11: *He tends his flock like a shepherd: He gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart; he gently leads those that have young.*

"Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care. In your pleasant pastures feed us; for our use your fold prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us, we are yours. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us, we are yours. We are yours, in love befriend us; be the guardian of our way. Keep your flock, from sin defend us; seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray.

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(words by D. Thrupp, 1836; music (*Bradbury*) by W. Bradbury, 1859; public domain)

(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing, 2020)

****Doxology - 711**

Lord of All Good

Lord of all good, our gifts we bring to you;
use them your holy purpose to fulfill,
tokens of love and pledges brought anew,
that our whole life is offered to your will.

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

****Hymn - 741**

Guide My Feet

****Benediction**

Postlude

Choral Song

by. S. S. Wesley

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.*

(Concordia Publishing House, 1952)

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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.

Let's Dive into a Friendship with God!

We are excited for Vacation Bible School at Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church this summer! Join us as we dive below the surface for an amazing underwater adventure where we will experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. Mark your calendars for the week of July 8th. Registration for CMPC members opened on Tuesday, January 23rd and will open to the general public on Tuesday, January 30th. To register on those dates please scan the QR code or go to our website (cmpcusa.org/vbs).



To make this a successful week for the kids of Christ Memorial and the community we need volunteers. Please consider participating in this great church event. We need adult leaders and teen leaders (middle school, high school and college). For adult leaders, registration is free for the second child registered. Please reach out to Laura Jean Graybeal (vbs@cmpcusa.org) if you are interested in helping!

Congregational Meeting

The Session has scheduled a Congregational Meeting after worship on Sunday, February 4th for the purpose of presenting the 2024 budget and voting on the terms of call for Pastor Hoffman. All members are encouraged to attend.

Valentine Mail

Attention all college students and parents-The Care & Wellness committee likes to keep in touch with our college students by sending them a Valentine's card & gift. If you have a student in college, grad school, technical school, or professional school, even if they are living at home, please send their snail mail address to: kcbloom@verizon.net by Sunday, February 4, 2024. Thank you for helping us keep in touch with our college students.

Want more CMPC news and events? Subscribe to our weekly Friday E-News at:
www.cmpcusa.org/newsletters

2024 Giving Envelopes are Available

If you would like a box of weekly giving envelopes for 2024, please contact Joyce Danzig at joyce.danzig@gmail.com to request a box.

2023 Contribution Statements

The year-end contribution statements will be available for you to download from CMPC Bridge between February 1, 2024 – April 30, 2024. Beginning February 1st, the “2023 Contribution Statement” button will appear on your giving record to allow you to download or print your statement.

As a reminder, you can view your giving history at any time in CMPC Bridge.

If you would prefer to have your 2023 contribution statement mailed or emailed to you in February, please send your request to Joyce Danzig, Assistant Treasurer, at joyce.danzig@gmail.com.



NEWS from the CMPC Hunger Task Force

Are there really people in Howard County who are Food Insecure?

- In 2021, the food insecurity rate in Howard County was 7.5% (According to FeedingAmerica.org)
- That is approximately 25,000 people of all ages.
- That number has grown significantly with a 32% increase in households seeking food bank services in 2023, compared to 2022.
- Most of these households include children.
- Single mothers make up the bulk of households seeking assistance.
- Two-thirds are college educated or have a trade and are working families.
- Pandemic emergency benefits for SNAP (formerly known as Food Stamps) were terminated this year.
- SNAP benefits reverted to previous levels while food prices have significantly increased and continue to increase.
- More families are being forced to make difficult and risky choices between food, rent, medical care, car payments, etc on a regular basis.

267 Come, Christians, Join to Sing

1 Come, Chris - tians, join to sing: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Loud praise to Christ our King: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 Life shall not end the strain: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

Like many other hymns of praise, this text was originally addressed to children but has been embraced by adults as well. Although the tune's repetitive elements suggest folk origins (possibly with alternating groups of singers), no specific source has been identified.

263 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Descant

4 O that with yon - der sa - cred thron' we at his feet may fall!

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - somed from the fall,
 3 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe on this ter - res - trial ball
 4 O that with yon - der sa - cred thron' we at his feet may fall!

We'll join the song, and crown him Lord of all!

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 to him all maj - es - ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all!
 We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all!

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This 18th-century text celebrating the sovereignty of Christ has been through several expansions and contractions before reaching its present form. It is set here to the oldest American hymn tune in continuous use since first published in 1793, which was written for it.

Guide My Feet

741

1 Guide my feet while I run this race;
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race;
(yes, my Lord!)

guide my feet while I run this race, for I

don't want to run this race in vain! (race in vain!)

2 Hold my hand ...

5 Search my heart ...

3 Stand by me ...

6 Guide my feet ...

4 I'm your child ...

This African American spiritual is based on the imagery of "the race that is set before us" in Hebrews 12:1–2. Its call-and-response structure allows for the improvisation and addition of stanzas related to an athletic metaphor that is as vivid today as it was centuries ago.