



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**February 25, 2024 10:30 a.m.**  
**FISH Sunday**

## Order of Worship

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

### **Prelude**

#### *Lamb of God*

arr. V. Labenske

Revelation 5: 12: *Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!*

"Your only Son, no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side, to walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God. Oh Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the Holy Lamb of God; Oh wash me in His precious Blood, my Jesus Christ the Lamb of God."

(words and music by T. Paris, 1986; Straightway Music/Gaither Management)

(this piano solo: Alfred Publishing Co., Inc. 2005)

### **Introit**

#### *Bound for Glory* ROCK Chimes

arr. T. Waldrop

John 6: 47: *Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.*

(medley includes *This Train Is Bound for Glory* and *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*)

"This train is bound for glory, this train. This train is bound for glory, this train. This train is bound for glory, don't carry nothing but the righteous and the holy. This train is bound for glory, this train."

(*This Train* is a traditional American gospel song first recorded in 1922 by Woody Guthrie)

"Swing low, sweet chariot, coming for to carry me home. Swing low, sweet chariot, coming for to carry me home. I looked over Jordan, and what did I see, coming for to carry me home. A band of angels coming after me, coming for to carry me home. Oh, swing low, sweet chariot, coming for to carry me home. Swing low, sweet chariot, coming for to carry me home."

(*Swing Low* is a traditional African American spiritual that is public domain.)

(this instrumental arrangement: Alfred Publishing, 1998)

### **Welcome and Announcements**

Natalee Hoffman, Remy Aquino, Faith Lamb

### **Passing of the Peace** (L: Leader; **P: People**)

Kofi Akuoko and James Board

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

**P: And also with you.**

### **\*\*Call to Worship**

Nick DeFavero

L: Calling out to God is a pathway to having hope and faith—

**P: Hope and faith that gives us optimism.**

L: When we need support He's always right there by our side

**P: helping us through the challenging times.**

L: He loves us indefinitely until the end of eternity.

**P: Love that is always with us.**

L: Let us worship God.

**\*\*Hymn – 215**

*What Wondrous Love Is This*

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

Emma Gallagher

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

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned in mind and body. We have not loved You with our whole heart and we lack compassion for those around us. We have ignored Your advice and gone against Your will. Forgive us, O Lord, and guide us in the right direction. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.**

**\*\*Assurance of Pardon**

Aaron Aquino

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.  
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,  
early let us turn to you.

**Moment with Children**

Abby DeFavero and James Board

*\*Please note that any children who come forward for the moment with children will likely be seen on the worship livestream on Facebook*

*There will be no Sunday Experience today. Children are invited to stay for the service.*

**Word in Music**

*Child of God*  
Alyssa Clymire and Grey McGillivray-Stubbs, duet

by M. Miller

1 John 3a: *How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!*  
*And that is what we are!*

(this choral arrangement: Choristers Guild, 2015)

**Prayer for Illumination**

Abby Jenkins

**Scriptures**

Isaiah 30:18-20  
Matthew 15: 32-39

Anna McMillion and Aaron Aquino

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Compassion

FISH youth

**\*\*Hymn - insert**

*Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*

**Invitation to Offering**

Nathan Slingluff

*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**

*Duo #2 for Clarinet*  
Mollie Thomas and Abby Jenkins  
Clarinet Duet

by B. Crusell

(Groth Music; date unknown)

**\*\*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")**

Mollie Thomas

**\*\*Hymn - 39***Great Is Thy Faithfulness***\*\*Benediction****Postlude**

*I Want Jesus to Walk with Me*  
John 10: 27: *My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.*

arr. N. Williams

"I want Jesus to walk with me. I want Jesus to walk with me. All along my pilgrim journey,  
Lord, I want Jesus to walk with me."

(Traditional African American spiritual; public domain)  
(this organ solo: Augsburg Fortress, 2012)

Thank you to John Kim and Jeff Bruce for providing audio support this week!  
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# Announcements and Upcoming Events

## 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. Please scan the QR code or go to our website ([cmpcusa.org/vbs](http://cmpcusa.org/vbs)). **Preschool has spots open!! K-5 is on a wait list.**



# Volunteers needed!

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](mailto:vbs@cmpcusa.org)) if you are interested in helping!

## 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.

## 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](mailto:joyce.danzig@gmail.com) to request a box.

## 2023 Contribution Statements

The year-end contribution statements are now available for you to download from CMPC Bridge until April 30, 2024. The "2023 Contribution Statement" button should now 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](mailto:joyce.danzig@gmail.com).

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

## **Troop 75 Mulch Fundraiser**

If you would like mulch for your garden this spring, please consider supporting our scouts!

Order by March 1st for delivery March 15-16, 2024. Click the link below. For questions, contact Ms. Chris Lambert at (301) 938-4441 or [troop75mulchsales@gmail.com](mailto:troop75mulchsales@gmail.com)



## **Rebuilding Together Howard County**

The annual Rebuilding Together Howard County Rebuild Day is coming soon! Please consider volunteering your time and DIY renovation talents on Saturday, April 27th.

Rebuilding Together Howard County was formed in 1992 when a group of committed Howard County residents and businesses joined together to mobilize volunteers and provide free home repairs to low-income families in Howard County. For many of these homeowners, these repairs were truly a gift.

Rebuilding Together is committed to improving the lives of the elderly, individuals with disabilities, veterans, and families with children; all homeowners in Howard County who have worked hard, but can no longer afford to keep up with repairs.

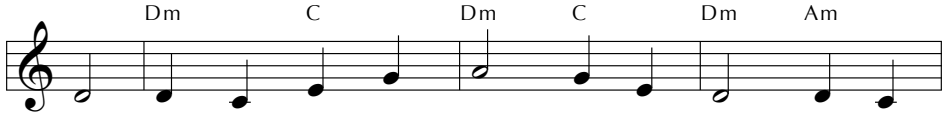
Regardless of your handyperson capabilities, your help is needed! If you are interested in volunteering please contact Todd Stubbs at [todd.stubbs@gmail.com](mailto:todd.stubbs@gmail.com) by Friday, March 15.

## **Saying goodbye is never easy!**

Please join us to wish the Hoffmans well in their next adventure. We will be having a celebration and luncheon immediately following worship on March 10th. Please RSVP to [office@cmnpcusa.org](mailto:office@cmnpcusa.org) so that we have enough food. If you have pictures of the Hoffman family from their CMPC years, please add them to our link for a slide show



## What Wondrous Love Is This 215



1 What won - drous love is this, O my soul, O my  
 2 When I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, sink - ing  
 3 To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will  
 4 And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, what won - drous love is this, O my soul! What  
 down, when I was sink - ing down, sink - ing down, when  
 sing, to God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to  
 on; and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and



won - drous love is this that caused the Lord of  
 I was sink - ing down be - neath God's righ - teous  
 God and to the Lamb who is the great I  
 when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joy - ful



bliss to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul, for my  
 frown, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul, for my  
 AM, while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing, I will  
 be, and through e - ter - ni - ty, I'll sing on, I'll sing



soul, to bear the dread - ful curse for my soul!  
 soul, Christ laid a - side his crown for my soul!  
 sing; while mil - lions join the theme, I will sing!  
 on; and through e - ter - ni - ty I'll sing on.

With its ballad-like repetitions before and after each stanza's central narrative lines, this meditative text needs performance in order to be effective. Its haunting melody proves the means of convincing us that the only adequate response to "wondrous love" is to "sing on."

# Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

## Verse 1

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see

## Verse 2

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

## Chorus

My chains are gone I've been set free  
My God my Savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love amazing grace

## Verse 3

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

## Verse 4

Chains Ae Gone)The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

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## 39 Great Is Thy Faithfulness

1 \*Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God my Fa - ther;  
 2 Sum - mer and win - ter, and spring - time and har - vest,  
 3 Par - don for sin and a peace that en - dur - eth,

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee.  
 sun, moon, and stars in their cours - es a - bove  
 thine own dear pres - ence to cheer and to guide,

Thou chang - est not; thy com - pas - sions they fail not.  
 join with all na - ture in man - i - fold wit - ness  
 strength for to - day and bright hope for to - mor - row:

As thou hast been thou for - ev - er wilt be.  
 to thy great faith - ful - ness, mer - cy, and love.  
 bless - ings all mine, with ten thou - sand be - side!

\*Or "Great is thy faithfulness, O God, Creator."

Written as a meditation on Lamentations 3:22-23, this text is one of the few hymns among the 1200 poems by this Methodist writer and pastor that has gained much currency. The tune that appears here was composed especially for these words, and the pairing has proved enduring.



## Refrain

Great is thy faith - ful - ness! Great is thy faith - ful - ness!  
 오 신 실 하 신 주 오 신 실 하 신 주

Morn - ing by morn - ing, new mer - cies I see.  
 날 마 다 자 비 를 베 푸 시 며

All I have need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid - ed.  
 일 용 할 모 든 것 내 려 주 시 니

Great is thy faith - ful - ness, Lord un - to me!  
 오 신 실 하 신 주 나 의 구 주