

Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

March 10, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude Lead Me to Calvary

arr. C. Berry

John 1: 29b: Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!

"King of my life I crown Thee now, Thine shall the glory be. Lest I forget Thy thorn-crowned brow, lead me to Calvary. Lest I forget Gethsemane, lest I forget Thine agony, lest I forget Thy love for me, lead me to Calvary."

(words: J.E. Hussey, 1921; music (*Duncannon*) W. Kirkpatrick, 1921; public domain) (this piano solo: Hal Leonard Corporation, 2014)

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

John Kim

- L: Let us worship God, for whom our souls thirst and our bodies long.
- P: Listen, listen to me, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.
- L: We have come to hear the Word God has sent.
- P: God's Word will not return empty but will accomplish through us God's holy purpose.
- L: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.
- P: Then we will go out with joy and be led forth in peace; the mountains and the hills will sing; the trees of the field will clap their hands.

****Hymn** - 401

Here In This Place (Gather Us In)

**Silent Prayer of Confession

**Common Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, you despise nothing you have made, and you forgive the sins of all who are penitent. Create in us new and contrite hearts, that, truly repenting of our sins and acknowledging our brokenness, we may obtain from you, the God of all mercy, full pardon and forgiveness, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. 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.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
early let us turn to you.

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

Sacrament of Baptism (see insert)

Children ages preschool—third grade dismissed to Sunday Experience

Word in Music

Be Still, My Soul
Bells of Joy

arr. L. Line/K.McChesney

with Ted Markle, piano, and Lindsey and Zoe Kim, flutes

Psalm 46: 10: . . . Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.

'Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side. Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain. Leave to thy God to order and provide, who through all changes faithful will remain. Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend, through thorny ways leads to a joyful end. Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake to guide the future surely as the past. Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake; all now mysterious shall be bright at last. Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know his voice who ruled them while he dwelt below." (words: K. von Schlegel, 1752; music (Finlanda): J. Sibeleus, 1899; public domain)

(this handbell arrangement: Choristers Guild, 2011)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures Proverbs 3: 5-8 Romans 12: 3-18

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon Parting Words Rev. Scott Hoffman

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

In Christ Alone with Jesus Paid It All

arr. C. Berry

Romans 5: 1-2: Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand.

And we boast in the hope of the glory of God.

"In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light my strength my song. This Cornerstone this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled when strivings cease; my Comforter my All in All; here in the love of Christ I stand."

(words and music by S. Townend/K. Getty, 2001; ThankYou Music)

"Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe; sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow." (refrain) (words: E. Hall, 1865; music (All to Christ) J. Grape, 1868; public domain) (this piano solo: ThankYou Music, 2002)

**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** - 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

**Benediction

Benediction Response

May the Road Rise to Meet You (Irish Blessing) (words are a traditional Irish blessing; Alfred Music 2018)

by G. Franklin

Congregational Meeting

Postlude

Lift High the Cross

arr. D. Busarow

1 Peter 2: 24: He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

"Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name. Come, Christians, follow where our Savior trod, the Lamb victorious, Christ, the Son of God, Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name."

(words: J.W. Kitchin, 1887; music (*Crucifer*): S. Nicholson, 1916; public domain) (this organ solo: Concordia Publishing House, 1998)

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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). **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) 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 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.

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 by Friday, March 15.

Bible Basics to Continue

The Bible Basics class taught by Pastor Scott on Tuesday mornings at 11:00 am in Classroom 3 will continue after his departure with new member Kathy Koch leading. All are welcome to join the class. Please reach out to Kathy (kathrynkoch79@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Fourth Monday Meals

Chefs and servers are needed on March 25th for Grassroots Day Resource Center. Please note that drop off time for food has been changed to **3:30.** Please sign up below.



The Sacrament of Baptism

Since water was such a precious and scarce commodity in the Middle East, it is easy to see how frequently it became a symbol of life, death, and hope for many religious ceremonies. Such was the case for Christians.

Baptism can be performed by immersing a person in water, or by pouring or sprinkling water on one's head. It can be done in a stream or pool, or by using a bowl or a font. More and more, throughout the ecumenical Christian world baptism is mutually honored no matter what the method.

The method may vary but the symbolism remains the same; it is by the grace of Jesus Christ that our sins are forgiven (washed away); and, as the apostle Paul says, "If we have been buried (immersed) with Christ in a death like his, we will certainly be raised (lifted) in a resurrection like his." Baptism reminds us that we can have a living relationship with Christ, by which we can become "new creatures" in Him (reborn spiritually). All those who are baptized are welcomed into "the household of God" (the church).

From the moment of our birth, sin (rebellion against and separation from God) is part of our nature. While the physical act of baptism, in and of itself, does not cleanse, it is a firm reminder that God's grace in Jesus Christ is able to conquer sin and redeem and cleanse our sinful nature. Therefore, it is never too early to baptize our children and to claim by the vows taken by their parents the promise that God can and does cleanse us, save us, and make us new. In adolescence, we invite young people to confirm the vow taken by their parents and to pledge their full participation in the community of faith.

As those who ourselves have been baptized in the name of the God who created us, Jesus who redeemed us, and the Spirit who sustains us, we join together in welcoming, by her baptism, Carly Erickson into the life and ministry of the Risen Christ.



The Sacrament of Baptism

Carly June Erickson March 10, 2024



Words of Gathering

Words of Presentation

<u>Prayer</u>

** Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he de scended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Question to the Congregation

Patricia Wilder

Our Lord Jesus Christ orders us to teach those who are baptized. Do you, the people of the church, promise to tell Carly the good news of the gospel, to help her know all that Christ commands, and, by your fellowship, to strengthen her family ties with the house hold of God? Please answer, "We do."

Congregation: We do.

Question to the Children

Ally Gallagher

Do we, the children of Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church, promise to be Carly's sisters and brothers in Christ as she grows up in our church family, showing her God's love as we learn together, play together, grow together, and worship together? Please answer, "We do."

Children: We do.

Choral Response

Child of Blessing, Child of Promise
Child of blessing, child of promise
Baptized with the Spirit's sign,
With this water God has sealed you
Unto love and grace divine.

Kingdom

The Baptism

Words of Charge

**Those who are comfortably able may stand.

Laid his hands on them, and blessed them.

People were bringing little children to him in order that he might touch them; and the disciples spoke sternly to them.

But when Jesus saw this, he was indignant and said to them,

"Let the little children come to me; do not stop them;

For it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs.

Truly I tell you, whoever does not receive the

Kingdom of God as a little child will never enter it."

And Jesus took them up in his arms,

- Mark 10: 13-16

Litany of Farewell

Liturgist: On September 4th, 2011 upon recommendation of the Pastor Nominating Committee, the congregation of Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church voted to call Scott Hoffman to become the Pastor. Pastor Scott came at a time of great transition in the life of the church, and all were grateful for his courage and sense of call in coming to CMPC.

Departing Pastor: I thank Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church, its members and friends, for the love, kindness, and support shown me these last twelve and a half years. I ask forgiveness for the mistakes I have made. I am grateful for the ways my leadership has been accepted. As I leave, I carry with me all that I have learned here.

People: We receive your thankfulness, offer forgiveness, and accept that you now leave to minister in a new place. We pray that you will be aware of the Spirit's guidance on your journey. We express gratitude for your time among us. We ask your forgiveness for our mistakes. Your influence on our faith and faithfulness will be long lasting.

Departing Pastor: I forgive you and accept your gratitude, trusting that our parting is pleasing to God.

Liturgist: Do you, the members and friends of Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church, release Scott Hoffman from the duties of Pastor?

People: We do, with the help of God.

Liturgist: Do you offer your encouragement for his ministry soon to begin as Senior Pastor of State College Presbyterian Church?

People: We do, with the help of God.

Liturgist: Do you, Scott, release this congregation from turning to you as pastor?

Departing Pastor: I do, with the help of God.

Liturgist: Do you offer your encouragement for their continued ministry here and for the relationship with others who will come to serve?

Departing Pastor: I do, with the help of God.

Liturgist: Let us pray:

All: God of grace, whose everlasting love for all is trustworthy, help each of us to trust the future which rests in your care. The time we were together in your name saw our laughter and tears, our hopes, disappointments, and accomplishments. Confirm in us these treasured memories, even as we move in new directions, until that promised time when we will be completely one with you and with each other, in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Here in This Place



- 1 Here in this place the new light is stream-ing; now is the dark-ness
- 2 We are the young, our lives are a mys-tery. We are the old who
- 3 Here we will take the wine and the wa ter; here we will take the
- 4 Not in the dark of build-ings con-fin-ing, not in some heav-en,



van - ished 'a - way; see in this space yearn for your face. We have been sung to bread of new birth. Here you shall call light years a - way: here in this place

see in this space our fears and our dream-ings We have been sung through-out all of his - tory, Here you shall call your sons and your daugh-ters, here in this place the new light is shin-ing;



the light brought here to you of this day. called the whole hu - man race. light to to be call a - new to be salt for the earth. us now is the king - dom, and now is the day.



Gath-er the lost and for - sak - en; gath-er in, in, the us the rich and the haugh-ty; Gath-er us in, gath-er in. the Give us the wine of com-pas-sion; give us to drink the to eat Gath-er and hold us for - ev - er; gath-er and us in in us



blind and the lame; proud and the strong; bread that is you; make us your own; call to us now, and we shall a-wak-en; give us a heart, so meek and so low-ly; nour-ish us well, and teach us to fash-ion gath-er us in, all peo-ples to-geth-er,



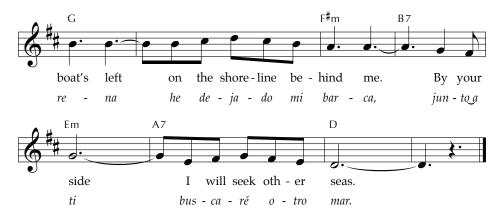
shall a - rise at the sound of name. we our us the cour-age to ter the give en song. lives that are ho - ly and hearts that are true. of love in our flesh and our bone.

The "you/your" mentioned in every stanza is never identified, but this 1979 hymn is clearly a corporate prayer to God on behalf of the diverse congregation who have assembled for worship, longing to be transformed and used as God's witnesses and for God's purposes.

721 Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore



This is one of the most popular songs to emerge from the 1970s revival of religious song in Spain. It asks singers to become like the fishermen who left boats and nets to follow Jesus, first as disciples learning his way of love, then as apostles carrying that love to others.



SPANISH

- 1 Tú has venido a la orilla, no has buscado ni a sabios, ni a ricos, tan sólo quieres que yo te siga. Estribillo
- 2 Tú sabes bien lo que tengo: en mi barca no hay oro ni espadas, tan solo redes y mi trabajo. Estribillo
- 3 Tú necesitas mis manos, mi cansancio que a otros descanse, amor que quiera seguir amando. Estribillo
- 4 Tú, pescador de otros lagos, ansia eterna de almas que esperan, amigo bueno, que así me llamas. Estribillo

839 Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!



Sometimes this prolific 19th-century hymnwriter wrote texts for others to set, and sometimes she created words for tunes others had composed. This text was of the second kind, and the resulting close fit between words and music has made them both popular and inseparable.





KOREAN

- 1 예수를 내가 주로 믿어 성령과 피로써 거듭나니 이세상에서 내 영혼이 하늘의 영광 누리도다
- 후렴 이것이 나의 간증이요 이것이 나의 찬송일세 나사는 동안 끊임없이 예수 내 구주 찬송하리
- 2 온전히 주께 맡긴 내영 온전한 기쁨을 누리면서 자비와 사랑 속삭이는 하늘의 천사 보리로다 후렴
- 3 예수께 맡긴 나의 영혼 주안에 복되고 평안하니 세상도 없고 나도 없고 사랑의 주만 보이도다 후렴