



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

March 3, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Wonderful, Merciful Savior with I Will Sing of the Mercies

arr. C. Tornquist

Psalm 23: 6: *Surely your goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.*

"Wonderful merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend; who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men, Oh You rescue the souls of men. You are the One that we praise, You are the One we adore. You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for, oh our hearts always hunger for."

(words and music by D. Rogers/E. Wyse, 1989; Curb Dayspring Music/Curb Word Music, 1989)

"I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing, I will sing. I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord. With my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness, Thy faithfulness; with my mouth will I make known Thy faithfulness to all generations. I will sing of the mercies of the Lord forever, I will sing of the mercies of the Lord."

(words and music by J. Fillmore, early 20th century; public domain)

(this piano solo: Word Music, 2006)

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**

Allen Exner

L: Come to the Lord, who is rich in grace;

P: approach our God, who is full of mercy.

L: We will praise God with all our heart

P: and glorify the name of the Most High forever.

L: Let us worship God!

****Hymn – 442**

Just As I Am without One Plea

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

Merciful God, how fickle we are; we sin against you without even knowing it. Clear us, we pray, of any unknown sin, and save us from willfully ignoring your way. Let your commandments rule and guide us. Forgive us for worshiping anyone or anything except you; keep us faithful. Forgive us for failing to honor all our relationships— with those closest to us and those who are distant neighbors. Help us to speak words of blessing and kindness, rather than words that belittle or destroy. Turn us away from violence, falsehood, and selfishness. Forgive us for thinking everything depends on our efforts and power, for you are the God who made us, led us out of slavery, and has brought us into the community of faith. Help us to depend on you alone and to rest in your peace. In Christ's name we pray. 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*

Children ages preschool—third grade dismissed to Sunday Experience

Word in Music

The Holy Heart

arr. G. Rhodes

John 3: 16: *For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.*

(words and music by A. Barbour/M. Skidmore, 1993; orchestrated by D. Goeller)
(this choral arrangement: Word Music/Maranatha Music, 2008)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Exodus 20: 1-17
John 2: 13-22

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

When Jesus Gets Angry

Rev. Scott Hoffman

****Hymn - 216**

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

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

Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone

arr. D. Wells

Matthew 16: 24: *Then Jesus said to his disciples, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."*

"Must Jesus bear the cross alone and all the world go free? No, there's a cross for ev'ry one, and there's a cross for me. The consecrated cross I'll bear 'til death shall set me free; and then go home my crown to wear, for there's a crown for me."

(words: T. Shepherd, et al, 1855; music (*Maitland*), 1855; public domain)

(this organ solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 1993)

**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.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

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

Sharing of Bread and Cup (Please eat and drink when you are served.)

The cups in the outer rings of the trays contain wine. The rest of the cups contain grape juice.

Music during Communion

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

arr. C. Tornquist

Romans 5: 8: *But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

"O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast, unmeasured, boundless, free; rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me. Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Thy love; leading onward, leading homeward to Thy glorious rest above."

(words: S. Francis, 1875; music (*Ebenezer*): T. Williams, 1890; public domain)

(this piano solo: Word Music Inc., 2002)

The Old Rugged Cross

arr. C. Berry

"On a hill far away stood an old rugged cross, the emblem of suffering and shame; and I love that old cross where the dearest and best for a world of lost sinners was slain. So I'll cherish the old rugged cross, till my trophies at last I lay down; I will cling to the old rugged cross, and exchange it some day for a crown."

(words and music (*Old Rugged Cross*): G. Bennard, 1913; public domain)

(this piano solo: Hal Leonard Corporation, 2014)

Prayer

**Hymn - 213

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

**Benediction

Postlude

Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing

arr. D. Wagner

Exodus 33:14: *The Lord replied, "My Presence will go with you, and I will give you rest."*

"Lord, dismiss us with your blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, your love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness."

(words: J. Fawcett, 1786; music (*Sicilian Mariners*) Sicilian Melody, 18th century; public domain)

(this organ solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2015)

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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.

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

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@cmppcusa.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



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

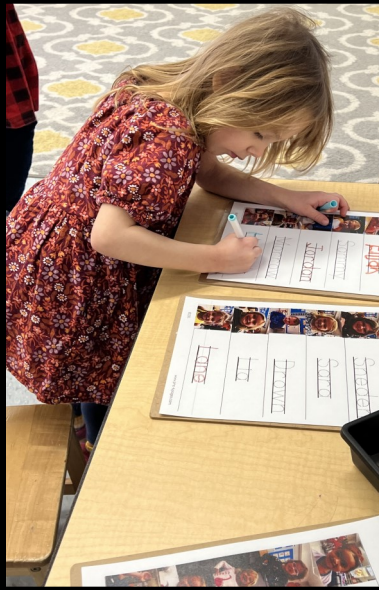
The Bible Basics class taught by Pastor Scott on Tuesday mornings at 11:00 am in Classroom 3 will continue after his departure with new member Kathy Koch leading. All are welcome to join the class. Please reach out to Kathy (kathrynkoch79@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

Congregational Meeting

The session has called a congregational meeting immediately following worship on March 10th for the purpose of dissolving the pastoral relationship with Pastor Scott Hoffman. All members are encouraged to attend.



Christ Memorial Christian Preschool



February

For God so loved the world He gave His only begotten Son so that whoever believes in Him shall have everlasting life.

John 3:16

What a special month February is at Christ Memorial Christian Preschool! We emphasized with our children the importance of love in our world.



We began the month exploring the joy of winter by celebrating Winter Fun Day! The children explored stations including indoor ice skating, snowmen making, ice building and penguin races. The month ended by learning about Jesus' time on Earth and many of the parables He shared. Pastor Scott visited the children for monthly Bible Time to share about the parable of the lost sheep.



Our children spread their love for their peers by exchanging valentines in their classrooms. Students made a special valentine for their families. It was so wonderful to share the love of God in Christ Memorial Christian Preschool.

442 Just as I Am, without One Plea

1 Just as I am, with - out one plea but that thy
 2 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with man - ya
 3 Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt wel - come,
 4 Just as I am, thy love un-known has bro - ken

blood was shed for me, and that thou biddest me
 con - flict, man - ya doubt, fight - ings and fears with -
 par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise -
 ev - ery bar - rier down; now to be thine, yea,

come to thee,
 in, with - out, O Lamb of God, I come; I come!
 I be - lieve, thine a - lone,

SPANISH

1 *Tal como soy de pecador,
 sin más confianza que tu amor;
 a tu llamada vengo a ti,
 ¡Cordero de Dios, heme aquí!*

KOREAN

1 큰-죄에 빠-진 날 위해
 주보-혈 흘려주시고
 또-나를 오-라하시니-
 주께로거-저 갑니다

When illness limited her involvement in a bustling household, the author wrote this hymn that helped her both to achieve and to express a renewed sense of worth grounded in Christ's self-giving. Its simple, direct, and deeply felt language has made it a source of comfort to many.

216 Beneath the Cross of Jesus

1 Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I fain would take my stand,
 2 Up - on the cross of Je - sus mine eye at times can see
 3 I take, O cross, thy shad - ow for my a - bid - ing place;

the shad - ow of a might - y rock with - in a wea - ry land;
 the ver - y dy - ing form of One who suf - fered there for me;
 I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the sun - shine of his face;

a home with - in the wil - der - ness, a rest up - on the way,
 and from my strick - en heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess:
 con - tent to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss,

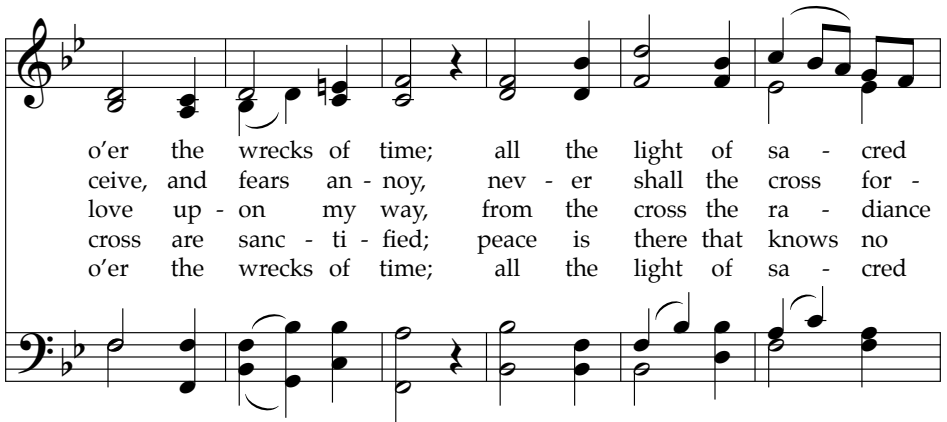
from the burn - ing of the noon - tide heat, and the bur - den of the day.
 the won - ders of re - deem - ing love and my un - wor - thi - ness.
 my sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry all the cross.

For sheer intensity of feeling few hymns can match this meditation on the cross; impressive images and strong contrasts combine to give the text its ardor. The passionate language is augmented by the highly chromatic tune later composed for these words.

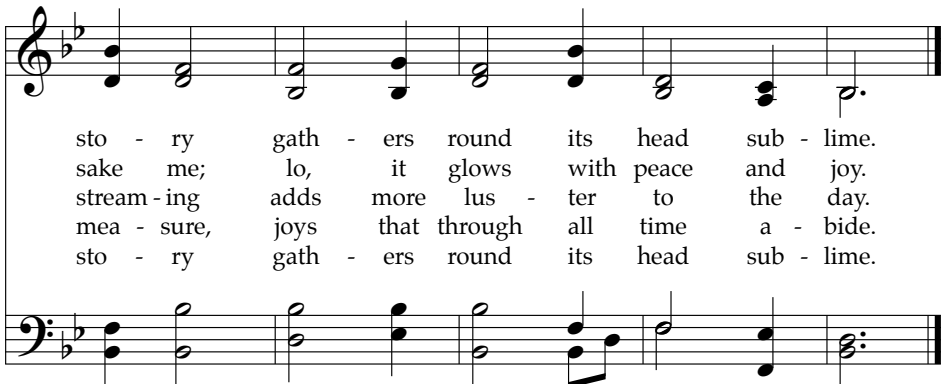
In the Cross of Christ I Glory 213



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing
 2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, hopes de -
 3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing light and
 4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure, by the
 5 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, tower - ing



o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sa - cred
 ceive, and fears an - noy, nev - er shall the cross for -
 love up - on my way, from the cross the ra - diance
 cross are sanc - ti - fied; peace is there that knows no
 o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sa - cred



sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.
 sake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.
 stream - ing adds more lus - ter to the day.
 mea - sure, joys that through all time a - bide.
 sto - ry gath - ers round its head sub - lime.

Like Isaac Watts's "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" (nos. 223, 224), this hymn is a reflection on Galatians 6:14, but this text is more abstract and devotes no attention to the person hanging on the cross. The tune is named for a soloist in the composer's Connecticut choir.