



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

April 7, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Here I Am to Worship with Crown Him with Many Crowns

arr. C. Berry

Psalm 29: 2: *Give unto the Lord the glory due to His name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.*

"Light of the world You stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes let me see. Beauty that made this heart adore You, hope of a life spent with You. So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me."

(words and music by T. Hughes, 2000; ThankYou Music; Capitol CMG Publishing)

"Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne. Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity."

(words: M., Bridges, 1851; music (*Diademata*): G. Elvey, 1868; public domain)

(this piano solo: ThankYou Music, 2001)

Introit

Surely the Presence of the Lord

Allison Miller

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**

Kathy Koch

L: As we gather, we may come in joy or in fear, in confidence or in doubt, in hope or despair:

P: Yet as we gather, we are of one heart and one mind, ready to celebrate the resurrection of our Lord.

L: The Lord is risen!

P: He is risen indeed!

****Hymn – 624**

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

****Silent Prayer of Confession**

****Common Prayer of Confession**

O God, we are sometime known as your Easter People because we live in the light of your resurrection. Death has no power here! Yet, O God, we sometimes live as people who have never heard the good news. We still find ourselves locked behind closed doors and windows afraid of the world. Help us to unlock our hearts to you. Help us to understand that if we dare to step into the Light we will find a new boldness to live to our fullest. Forgive our doubting your power in our lives. Help us to be renewed and refreshed in you, we ask in your name. Amen.

****Assurance of Pardon**

L: Hear this good news: Christ died for us, Christ rose for us, Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays!

P: Anyone in Christ is a new creation: the past is finished and gone; everything has become fresh and new.

L: As water washes away the stain of the world, the blood of Christ washes away our sin.

P: We have died with Christ, and are raised to new life.

L: In Christ's name I tell you, we are forgiven.

P: Alleluia, and Amen!

****Response -240**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks
verse 1

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

There Is a Redeemer with *I Know That My Redeemer Lives* arr. L. Larson
Isaiah 43: 1: *But now, thus says the Lord, your Creator, O Jacob, and He who formed you,*
"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name; you are Mine!"

(There Is a Redeemer words and music by Melody Green, Birdwing Music 1982)
(I Know that My Redeemer . . . by S. Medley, 1775; public domain)

(this choral arrangement Birdwing Music/BMG Songs to Hear Music, 2007)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Acts 4:32-35

Now the whole group of those who believed were of one heart and soul, and no one claimed private ownership of any possessions, but everything they owned was held in common. With great power the apostles gave their testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was upon them all. There was not a needy person among them, for as many as owned lands or houses sold them and brought the proceeds of what was sold. They laid it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to each as any had need.

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors were locked where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may continue to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Resurrection Community

Rev. John V. Carlson

****Hymn - 817**

We Walk By Faith and Not By Sight

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

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

arr. L. Larson

Job 19: 25, 27a: I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth. I myself will see him with my own eyes.

"I know that my Redeemer lives; what comfort this sweet sentence gives! He lives, He lives, who once was dead; He lives, my everlasting Head. He lives triumphant from the grave, He lives eternally to save, He lives all-glorious in the sky, He lives exalted there on high."

(words: S. Medley, 1775; music (*Duke Street*), John Hatton, 1793; public domain)

(this piano solo: Thomas House Publications, 2000)

****Doxology** - 708

We Give Thee but Thine Own
We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

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

Pastorale (for Organ)

by J. Roger-Ducasse

John 6:51: *I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats this bread will live forever. This bread is my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world.*

(by J. Roger-Ducasse, 1909; public domain)
(this organ solo: Editions Durand & Cie, Paris, year unknown)

Prayer

****Hymn** - 238

Thine Is the Glory

****Benediction**

Postlude

Alleluia

by R.M. Stults

Revelation 19: 6: *Then I heard what sounded like a great multitude, like the roar of rushing waters and like loud peals of thunder, shouting "Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns."*

(by Richard Morrison Stults, 1923; public domain)
(this organ solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., republished 1967)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



The Rev. John V. "Jack" Carlson retired from active ministry in the PCUSA in January, 2016. Prior to his retirement, he served for 13 years as Pastor at Highland Presbyterian Church, in Harford County, MD. Before that he served churches in Lockport, NY, and Hyattsville, MD, and was a pastoral counselor for more than 20 years in the Washington DC area. After serving a term as Moderator of the Presbytery of Baltimore, in September of 2017 he was elected Stated Clerk of the Presbytery; he retired from that post in 2020. He has published three books: *The Spiritual Dimensions of Self-Esteem*, *The Spiritual Power of Communication*, and *The Disciple's Song*, a poetic rendering of the Gospel of Mark. Jack is married to Lynn McCormick Carlson and has three grown children and six grandchildren. In his retirement, he spends time with his grandchildren, oil painting, travel, and golf.

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.

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.

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

CMPC Annual Musical Treats & Sweets: Times They are a Changin'

Sunday evening, June 9 (6-8:00pm) will be our annual "Musical Treats & Sweets," a wonderful evening of musical performances, silent auction, and free treats. This is a fundraiser to benefit the GenOn Youth Summit attendance (for our community and a community in-need). The theme this year is "Times They are a Changin'". If you would like to perform, contact Lindsey Kim (lindseyathorne@yahoo.com) (she can help you with an accompanist if needed). If you have a sweet treat or specialty item for the auction, contact Tom and Meg Engle (dpgroove@hotmail.com) or something for the snack table contact Debbie O'Neal (oneal04@aol.com). If you have a hosted event for the auction, contact Ashlyn Sowell (ashlynsowell@yahoo.com).

Spring Clean Up

May 4th, 8:30 - 1:00pm

There will be jobs for all ages both inside and outside of the church., rain or shine. For more information, please contact Tito Baca at pm@cmpcusa.org



Sign up here!

Blood Drive **Christ Memorial** **Presbyterian Church**

Fellowship Hall
10600 Shaker Drive
Columbia, MD 21046

Monday, April 29, 2024
12:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.





Christ Memorial Christian Preschool



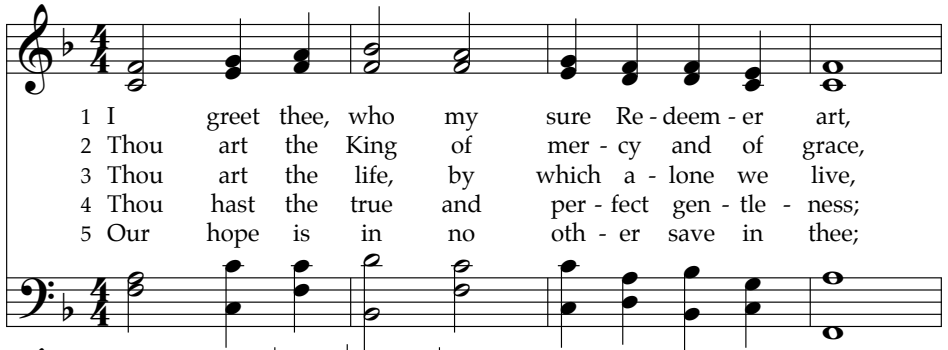
March

Let the little children come to Me. Matthew 19:14

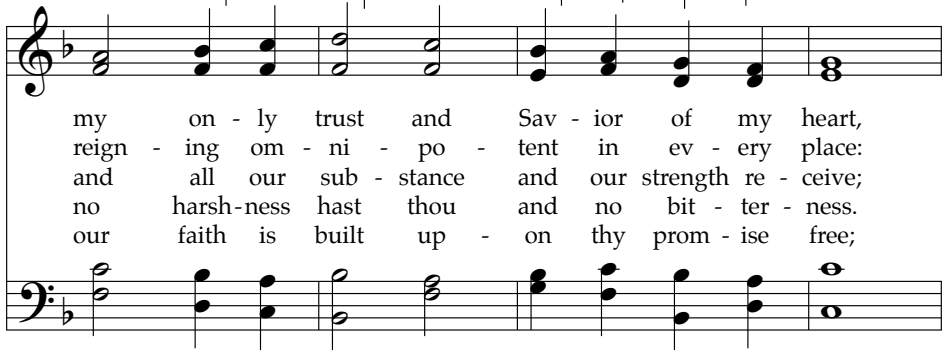
We are so excited to welcome spring to preschool at Christ Memorial! We began the month discovering all about outer space. The children loved pretending to be astronauts, making star constellations with marshmallows, and exploring moon craters in sensory trays! We welcomed all the Dads of CMCP during this month for a special snack. It was wonderful to have a special time of donuts and bingo with the dads in Fellowship Hall. We ended the month learning all about Easter. Our children learned about the importance of the Easter story and hunted for their own Easter baskets on the preschool playground. Our 4-year-old classes had the opportunity to take a field trip this month as well. The children visited Robinson Nature Center and enjoyed a puppet show and walking the trails.



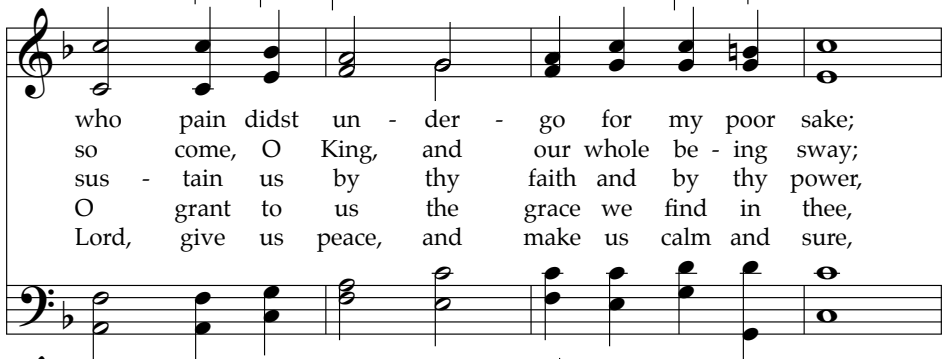
I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art 624



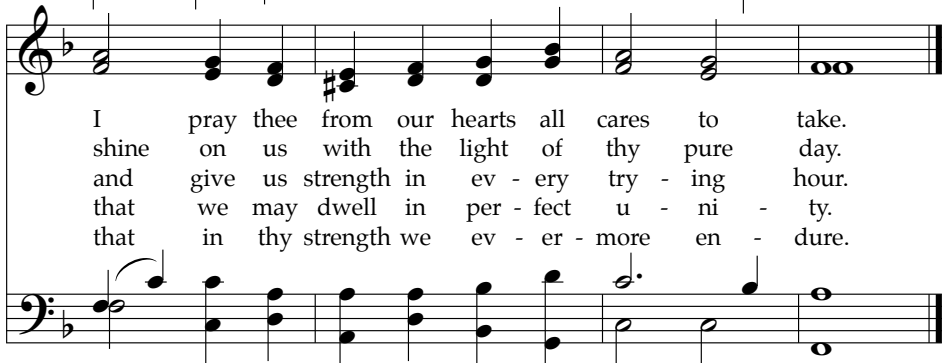
1 I greet thee, who my sure Re-deem-er art,
 2 Thou art the King of mer-cy and of grace,
 3 Thou art the life, by which a-lone we live,
 4 Thou hast the true and per-fect gen-tle-ness;
 5 Our hope is in no oth-er save in thee;



my on-ly trust and Sav-ior of my heart,
 reign-ing om-ni-po-tent in ev-ery place;
 and all our sub-stance and our strength re-ceive;
 no harsh-ness hast thou and no bit-ter-ness.
 our faith is built up-on thy prom-ise free;



who pain didst un-der-go for my poor sake;
 so come, O King, and our whole be-ing sway;
 sus-tain us by thy faith and by thy power,
 O grant to us the grace we find in thee,
 Lord, give us peace, and make us calm and sure,



I pray thee from our hearts all cares to take.
 shine on us with the light of thy pure day.
 and give us strength in ev-ery try-ing hour.
 that we may dwell in per-fect u-ni-ty.
 that in thy strength we ev-er-more en-dure.

The original French text, sometimes attributed to John Calvin, seems to be a Protestant reworking of a Roman Catholic hymn, not a typical practice for him. Yet this text and tune (adapted from GENEVAN 124) clearly date from the early years of the Reformed tradition.

240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Refrain E C#m F#m B

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord. Al - le -

al - le - lu - ia! Praise to his name.

E C#m F#m B E

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his name.

E C#m F#m B

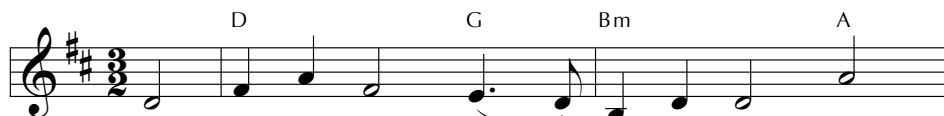
- 1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
- 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
- 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
- 4 Come let us praise the liv - ing God,

E C#m F#m B *to Refrain*

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for - ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - ior.

This text and tune were created together in the context of an ecumenical, charismatic, missionary Christian community in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Their energy and emphasis center in the opening and closing refrain's "Alleluia"—the essential Easter word of proclamation.

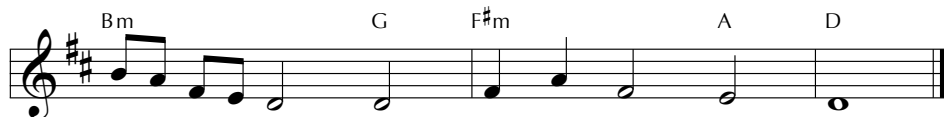
817 We Walk by Faith and Not by Sight



1 We walk by faith and not by sight; with
 2 We may not touch your hands and side, nor
 3 Help then, O Lord, our un - be - lief; and
 4 And when our life of faith is done, in



gra - cious words draw near, O Christ, who spoke as
 fol - low where you trod; but in your prom - ise
 may our faith a - bound to call on you when
 realms of clear - er light may we be - hold you



none e'er spoke: "My peace be with you here."
 we re - joice and cry, "My Lord and God!"
 you are near and seek where you are found.
 as you are, with full and end - less sight.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

The opening line here is essentially a quotation of 2 Corinthians 5:7, but that affirmation is fleshed out by references to the appearance of the risen Christ to Thomas (John 20:19–29). The shape note tune, named for a stream in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, adds resolution to the words.

238 Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing Son; end - less is
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic-tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai-ment
 he greets us, scat-ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad-ness
 with-out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con-querors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death - less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing
 to thy home a - bove.

This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio *Joshua* and moved to *Judas Maccabeus* in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.

JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

The image shows a musical score for a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line is written in a treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). The piano accompaniment is written in a bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are: "Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won." The music consists of two staves. The vocal staff begins with a treble clef, a key signature of two flats, and a common time signature. The piano staff begins with a bass clef, a key signature of two flats, and a common time signature. The lyrics are placed between the two staves. The music ends with a double bar line.