



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

October 20, 2024 10:30 a.m.

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

As the Deer

arr. M. Hayes

Psalm 42:1: *As the deer longs for streams of water, so I long for you, O God.*

"As the deer panteth for the water, so my soul longeth after Thee. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee. You alone are my strength, my shield; to You alone may my spirit yield. You alone are my heart's desire, and I long to worship Thee."

(words and music by M. Nystrom, 1984) (this piano solo: Maranatha Praise Inc., 1984)

Welcome and Announcements

Allison Miller

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

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

****Call to Worship**

L: Jesus spoke peace to us who were far off, and peace to us who were near;

P: for in Christ, all of us dwell in one Spirit with God.

L: We are no longer strangers to one another, for we all belong to the household of God,

P: A house of faith, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone.

****Hymn – 35**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

Call to Confession

Silent Prayer of Confession

Common Prayer of Confession

Gracious and most merciful God, you have promised us a house of faith, built on the unshakeable foundation of your love: a house not made with human hands, a kinship in the faith of Jesus Christ. Help us to keep our house in good repair. We lay before you all our deferred maintenance: our distraction with jobs and school and family obligations, our fatigue, our fears, our failures; how ready we are with good intentions, and how seldom we follow through. Forgive us, Lord. Help us not only to notice when our faith needs mending, but to make room to act; and in acting, to build a deeper faith and a broader fellowship, as we follow on the Way of Jesus, to whom we are pledged and in whose strong 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

Blessed Assurance chorus (sing twice)

This is my story, this is my song; praising my Savior all the day long.

This is my story, this is my song; praising my Savior all the day long!

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 announcements for instructions.

Word in Music

Be Still and Know

by S.C. Chapman

Psalm 37:7: *Be still before the Lord, and wait patiently for him.*

(words and music by Steven Curtis Chapman, 1999)

(Primary Wave Brian (Chapman Sp Acct); Sparrow Song; admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Sung Prayer for Illumination

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me...melt me, mold me, fill me, use me...

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

Scriptures

2 Samuel 7:1-17

Now when the king was settled in his house and the Lord had given him rest from all his enemies around him, the king said to the prophet Nathan, "See now, I am living in a house of cedar, but the ark of God stays in a tent." Nathan said to the king, "Go, do all that you have in mind, for the Lord is with you."

But that same night the word of the Lord came to Nathan, "Go and tell my servant David: Thus says the Lord: Are you the one to build me a house to live in? I have not lived in a house since the day I brought up the people of Israel from Egypt to this day, but I have been moving about in a tent and a tabernacle. Wherever I have moved about among all the people of Israel, did I ever speak a word with any of the tribal leaders of Israel, whom I commanded to shepherd my people Israel, saying, 'Why have you not built me a house of cedar?' Now therefore thus you shall say to my servant David: Thus says the Lord of hosts: I took you from the pasture, from following the sheep to be prince over my people Israel, and I have been with you wherever you went and have cut off all your enemies from before you, and I will make for you a great name, like the name of the great ones of the earth. And I will appoint a place for my people Israel and will plant them, so that they may live in their own place and be disturbed no more, and evildoers shall afflict them no more, as formerly, from the time that I appointed judges over my people Israel, and I will give you rest from all your enemies. Moreover, the Lord declares to you that the Lord will make you a house. When your days are fulfilled and you lie down with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring after you, who shall come forth from your body, and I will establish his kingdom. He shall build a house for my name, and I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be a father to him, and he shall be a son to me. When he commits iniquity, I will punish him with a rod such as mortals use, with blows inflicted by human beings. But I will not take my steadfast love from him, as I took it from Saul, whom I put away from before you. Your house and your kingdom shall be made sure forever before me; your throne shall be established forever." In accordance with all these words and with all this vision, Nathan spoke to David.

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God.

****Hymn - 301***Let Us Build a House***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*Be Still and Know That I Am God with Be Still, My Soul*

arr. M. Hayes

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 and know that I am God, be still and know that I am God, be still and know that I am God. In thee, O Lord, I put my trust, in thee, O Lord, I put my trust, in thee, O Lord, I put my trust."
(anonymous author; public domain)

"Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side; bear patiently the cross of grief or pain; leave to your God to order and provide; in ev'ry change he faithful will remain. Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend through thorny ways leads to a joyful end."

(words: Kathrina von Schlegel, year unknown; translator: Jane Borthwick, 1855; public domain)
(this piano arrangement: Word Music, Inc., 1998)

****Doxology -***Great God of Every Blessing, v. 1*(sung to the tune *Help Us Accept Each Other*)

Great God of every blessing, of faithful loving care
You are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share
How can we hope to thank you? Our praise is but a start:
Sincerely and completely we offer you our heart.

Prayer of Dedication of the Offering

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and everything we have comes from you. Whatever we do we owe to your Spirit, the life you have placed within us. Follow then these gifts with your blessing, and accept our hearts and our lives as offerings returned to you, in Jesus' name. Amen.

Prayers of the People

Rev. Speers

With the following responses:

...God, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.**Prayer of Thanksgiving, with the Lord's Prayer******Hymn -307***God of Grace and God of Glory*****Benediction****Postlude***Fugata on Crusader's Hymn*

arr. G. Young

Psalm 45:2: *You are the most excellent of men, and your lips have been anointed with grace, since God has blessed you forever.*

"Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son; Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine."

(text: M. Cesangbuch, 1677; music: Silesian folk melody, 1842; public domain)
(this organ solo: Harold Flammer, Int., 1958)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



Welcome!

Mary Speers is a retired minister in the Presbyterian Church (USA). She has led congregations in New York, DC, and Baltimore, and is a graduate of the University of Chicago and the Union Theological Seminary in the City of New York.

Rev. Speers sings with the Baltimore Choral Arts Society and (for her sins) chairs the Commission on Ministry of Baltimore Presbytery. When not doing these things, she walks, cooks, knits, and loves to curl up with her two cats, a pot of tea, and a good book.

Food Drive

CMPC's CARE Group program will once again be collecting items for the Oakland Mills High School Food Pantry. The pantry currently serves between 70 and 80 families and is supported primarily through donations. The next distribution date is October 30, 2024. We will be collecting ONLY the following items:

Boxed cereal
Boxed pasta
Rice
Baby wipes
Diapers

Please ensure that donated goods are sealed and have not expired.

Collection bins will be placed downstairs, inside the door from the parking lot, and upstairs in the narthex, outside of the sanctuary. Donations will be accepted October 6th-October 27th. Items will be delivered to OMHS that following week. Thank you in advance for your support!

Work of the Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee has begun its work of discerning which members of CMPC God is calling to serve as Elders and Deacons, starting January 2025 for 3 year terms. Perhaps it is you! Now and in the weeks ahead, the committee will be reaching out to members asking them (you) to consider service on the session or diaconate. Please prayerfully consider if this is something to which you feel called or if there is someone you think God might be preparing to serve. These are exciting times at CMPC and we need willing and faithful leaders to guide us in and through them. Thank you in advance for prayerfully and seriously considering the call to serve. If not you, then who! If you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact the Nominating Committee chair Judy Brown at jbrown10632@gmail.com.

Mission Plea

Hurricane Helene was the strongest hurricane to strike Florida, Tennessee, the Carolinas, and Georgia and the deadliest in the country since Hurricane Katrina in 2005. Damages are estimated to be in the billions of dollars. There have been more than 170 deaths. In the wake of the catastrophic storm surge, wind damage, and flooding, it is crucial to have the necessary resources to support the many communities affected. The Mission and Local Outreach Committee has committed funds to support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) that is in communication with all affected presbyteries to coordinate resources and respond accordingly as damage is assessed.

Members of the congregation are encouraged to support this effort by either donating on-line or using envelopes in the pew during worship. If you are interested in volunteering to help with the clean-up and recovery, please contact Pete Berlowitz (pberlowitz@verizon.net). Finally, please pray for all those affected by this terrible natural disaster.

Stewardship

God has continued to bless CMPC and we are asking for your continued support of our ministry by making a pledge to the 2025 Annual Stewardship fund by October 27th. This year, we are asking you to thoughtfully and prayerfully consider rolling over and adding what you have graciously given in the prior capital campaign to your Annual Stewardship pledge. To make a pledge, scan the code or fill out a paper pledge card and place it in the Offering plate. **No login is required to complete your pledge online!**



On November 3rd, we invite you all to celebrate our accomplishments at our Stewardship luncheon immediately following Worship.

New Security

Following a discussion with the Membership & Hospitality Committee regarding security measures, the Session will implement a new security procedure beginning Sunday, October 6: The lower level parking lot doors will be secured at 10:45 on Sunday mornings. Those arriving for worship after that time will use the Shaker Drive entrance to the church.

Thank you ~ The Session of CMPC

35 Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

1 Praise ye the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2 Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so won-drous - ly
 3 Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gen - tly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near; join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

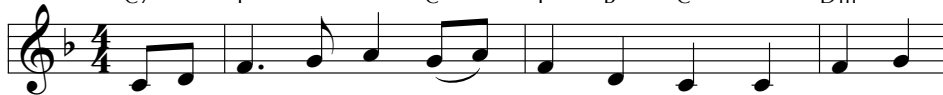
This very strong 17th-century German hymn employs many phrases from the psalms, especially Psalms 150 and 103:1-6. It did not receive an effective English translation until the mid-19th century, but has remained popular ever since, thanks in part to its stirring tune.

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Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
 C7 F C F B^b C Dm



1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
 F C F Dm7 Gm C



safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
 Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm



how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

(Em) (A) (D) (G)
 Gm C F B^b



vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

(over)

Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshipping community.

THE CHURCH

Refrain

(D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) (Em) (Bm)
 F Bb A7 Dm Gm Dm

love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

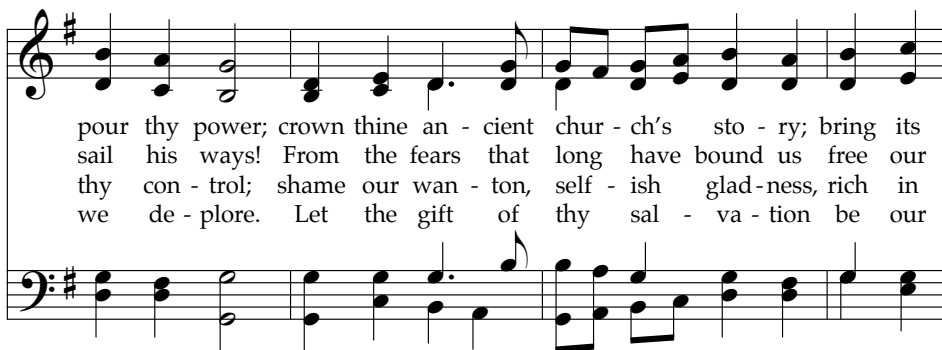
(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
 Am Gm F Gm C7 F Bb F

all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

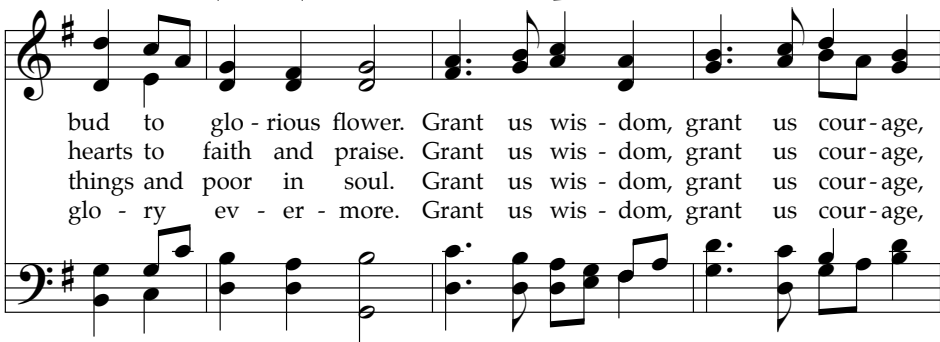
307 God of Grace and God of Glory



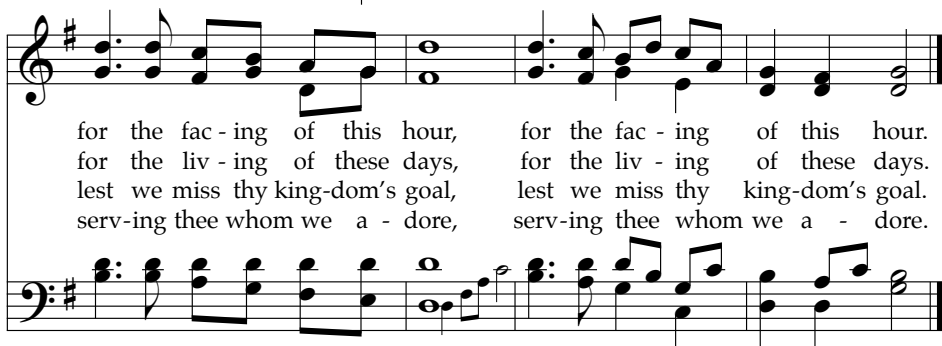
1 God of grace and God of glo - ry, on thy peo - ple
 2 Lo! the hosts of e - vil round us scorn thy Christ, as -
 3 Cure thy chil - dren's war - ring mad - ness; bend our pride to
 4 Save us from weak res - ig - na - tion to the e - vils



pour thy power; crown thine an - cient chur - ch's sto - ry; bring its
 sail his ways! From the fears that long have bound us free our
 thy con - trol; shame our wan - ton, self - ish glad - ness, rich in
 we de - plore. Let the gift of thy sal - va - tion be our



bud to glo - rious flower. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 hearts to faith and praise. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 things and poor in soul. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,
 glo - ry ev - er - more. Grant us wis - dom, grant us cour - age,



for the fac - ing of this hour, for the fac - ing of this hour.
 for the liv - ing of these days, for the liv - ing of these days.
 lest we miss thy king - dom's goal, lest we miss thy king - dom's goal.
 serv - ing thee whom we a - dore, serv - ing thee whom we a - dore.

This stirring hymn used at the opening of Riverside Church in New York in 1930 was penned by its widely-known and influential pastor, and it has gained a firm place in English-language hymnals around the world. The Welsh tune name honors the Rhondda Valley in Glamorganshire.