



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

November 17, 2024 10:30 a.m.
LOGOS Sunday

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Here I Am to Worship

arr. C. Tornquist

Psalm 95:6: *Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.*

"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. King of all days, oh so highly exalted; glorious in heaven above. Humbly You came to the earth You created, all for love's sake became poor. So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down, here I am to say that You're my God. And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me."

(words and music by Tim Hughes, 2000; ThankYou Music) (this piano solo: ThankYou Music, 2001)

Processional

ROCK Chimes

by M. Tucker

(this instrumental arrangement: Choristers Guild, 2010)

Welcome and Announcements

GATHERING

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

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: **And also with you.**

**Call to Worship

One: Come — whoever you are, wherever you have been, however you have answered God before.

All: The God of heaven and earth, of sea and dry land, calls us together.

One: Every nation, and all people belong to God.

All: The God of all is the God of all.

One: God's love and call extend beyond all borders.

All: God's love and call reach even to us, and beyond us, bringing us to worship you with all our heart.

**Hymn – 621

I Will Call Upon the Lord
(sing twice)

Call to Confession

Common Prayer of Confession

O God, you are kind and full of mercy. You long for everyone to live in your love.

We confess that we are more attached to our own ways than your way.

We claim to worship you, but we turn away from your instructions, or we do as little as possible and call it "enough."
We pretend we're not sure how to please you even as we carry on with our own ways.

We hold on to our prejudices, and refuse to think that you might care for the people we don't.

Forgive us, God, and turn us back to your way. Set our feet on your path, and help our voices to be in tune with your own.

Help us to know how enormous your love is for us!

God, your love is so great that you even come to live among us, in Christ Jesus.

In his name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

L: Friends, this is the Good News of the Gospel....

(Congregation pause to hear the Good News of the Gospel)

P: ...in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

****Response -647**

Give Thanks

(no repeats)

WORD

Moment with Children

**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.

Word in Music

Merciful and Mighty

by Cindy Berry

FROG Choir

soloists: Marie Bis, Molly Graybeal, and Rosie Keen

1 John 4:19: *We love because he first loved us.*

(the first verse of *Holy, Holy, Holy* is included in this arrangement: words: R. Heber, 1827; music: J. Dykes, 1861; public domain)

(this choral arrangement: Hal Leonard LLC, 2024)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Gospel Reading: : Luke 18:9-14, Common English Bible

⁹ Jesus told a story to some people who thought they were better than others and who looked down on everyone else:

¹⁰ Two men went into the temple to pray. One was a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee stood over by himself and prayed, "God, I thank you that I am not greedy, dishonest, and unfaithful in marriage like other people. And I am really glad that I am not like that tax collector over there. ¹² I go without eating for two days a week, and I give you one tenth of all I earn."

¹³ The tax collector stood off at a distance and did not think he was good enough even to look up toward heaven. He was so sorry for what he had done that he pounded his chest and prayed, "God, have pity on me! I am such a sinner."

¹⁴ Then Jesus said, "When the two men went home, it was the tax collector and not the Pharisee who was pleasing to God. If you put yourself above others, you will be put down. But if you humble yourself, you will be honored."

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God

Hebrew Bible Text for the Day: Jonah 1, 3 and 4

A Storytelling Drama for All God's Children

This storytelling time is invented from the Common English Bible translation and The Message.

Dustin Garner

THANKSGIVING/EUCHARIST

****Hymn -695**

Change my Heart, O God

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

Blessed Be Your Name with Blessed Be the Name arr. B.K. Smith/M. McDonald

Psalm 103:22: *Bless the Lord, all his works, in all places of his dominion. Bless the Lord, O my soul!*

"Blessed Be Your Name in the land that is plentiful, where Your streams of abundance flow, blessed be Your name. Blessed Be Your name, when I'm found in the desert place, though I walk through the wilderness, blessed Be Your name. Every blessing You pour out, I'll turn back to praise. When the darkness closes in, Lord, still I will say, "Blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your name; blessed be the name of the Lord, blessed be Your glorious name!"
(words and music: M. Redman/B. Redman, 2002, Thankyou Music; Lorenz)

(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2013)

****Doxology - 608**

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Prayers of Thanksgiving with the Lord's Prayer

During the prayer when you hear "Heal us of all that harms us"

Respond together: "You are the One with the power to save us."

SENDING

****Hymn -700**

I'm Gonna Live so God Can Use Me

****Benediction**

Postlude

Pass It On

arr. M. Hayes

1 Peter 2:9: *But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of the one who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.*

"It only takes a spark to get a fire going, and soon all those around can warm up in its glowing; that's how it is with God's love, once you've experienced it; you spread His love to ev'ryone, you want to pass it on."

(words and music by: K. Kaiser, 1969; Bud John Songs, Inc.; admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

(this piano solo: Bud John Songs, 1969)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

OMHS Food Collection

CMPC's food collection for Oakland Mills High School's food pantry sponsored by the CARE Group Ministry was again a huge success. With your help we collected:

896 wipes
917 diapers
53 pounds of pasta
20 pounds of rice
18 boxes of cereal

The Oakland Mills' staff who oversee the pantry were very happy to receive our donations. Our next collection will be around February-March 2025, and we will touch base with the staff ahead of time for items most needed.

Thank you for your generosity and for supporting this community.

Change in Communion schedule

Next Sunday, "Christ our King Sunday" is the last Sunday of the church year. We will be celebrating Communion together before we begin our Advent season of waiting.

Christmas Angel Tree

As in previous years, we will be collecting Christmas gifts for families in need during this Advent Season. Beginning Sunday, November 24, a Christmas tree will be in the downstairs vestibule with paper ornaments containing gift suggestions for children and adults from our community. To participate, please:

- * Take an ornament tags (feel free to take more in the coming weeks if ornaments remain)
- * Purchase the gift – please include a gift receipt when possible, especially for clothing
- * Return the gift to the collection box or church office no later than Sunday, December 15
- * Returned gifts should be UNWRAPPED with the ornament tag taped to the gift
- * If you prefer not to shop but would like to contribute, monetary donations may be given on the CMPC website under the online giving category for Angel Tree.
- * If you have any questions, please contact Sue Ashman (301-821-2345)

Thank you in advance for your participation in our Christmas Angel Tree. It will surely brighten the lives of others this Christmas!

Stewardship Update

Thank you to those who have completed their 2025 pledges. With your help, we have reached 68% of our goal! Stewardship is rooted in faith – in Jesus and God’s mission. Jeremiah 29:11 says, “For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the LORD, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.” If you have not completed your 2025 pledge, it’s not too late! This year, we are asking you to thoughtfully, prayerfully and hopefully consider rolling over and adding what you have graciously given in the prior capital campaign to your 2025 Annual Stewardship pledge. To make a pledge, (**no login required**), scan the code or fill out a paper pledge card and place it in the Offering plate.



Mission

Today we are pleased to have with us former member Dustin Garner and his wife Holly. Dustin and Holly are currently leading the OneEleven School of Missions in Kansas City where they train and send missionaries to the nations. The Garners are passionate about discipling people to grow in love for Jesus through praying and singing the Bible, and to proclaim the Gospel of His Kingdom until every nation worships Him. Dustin and Holly will be present at the coffee hour fellowship following the service. Please welcome them!

Fourth Monday Meals

We are blessed with the opportunity to provide food for Grassroots Day Resource Center on the fourth Monday of each month. November 25th is the fourth Monday in November. If you are available to provide food and/or serve, please sign up below.

Please note that all food except dessert should be placed in disposable 9x13 pans and must be delivered to the church parking lot at 3:30 pm.



Pastoral Search

Next Sunday, November 24, we will welcome Jim Schroll, our Interim liaison to Baltimore Presbytery's Commission on Ministry. Jim will be speaking about where we are now, what comes next, and Presbytery's role in our process of seeking an installed pastor. As noted in the most recent Session summary, Jim attended our last Session meeting, and he will be available at coffee hour Fellowship to meet members and answer questions about upcoming steps.

I Will Call upon the Lord 621

Part 1 (melody) D G D G D G

I will call up-on the Lord who is wor-thy to be

Part 2 (echo)

I will call up-on the Lord

D G D G D G

praised. So shall I be saved from my en-e-mies.

who is wor-thy to be praised. So shall I be

D G D G D G A

I will call up-on the Lord.
saved from my en - e - mies. I will call up-on the Lord.

Refrain D G D G

The Lord liv-eth, and bless-ed be the Rock, and let the God of my sal-

D G A D G

va-tion be ex - alt - ed. The Lord liv-eth, and bless-ed be the Rock,
and let the God

D G A A7 D

of my sal-va-tion be ex - alt - ed.

This text is based on Psalm 18:3 and 46 in the King James Version and uses musical repetition to give weight to each verse. The earlier verse is treated as a canon with a concluding unison phrase, and the later one is sung through twice in unison to a nearly identical melody.

647

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grate-ful heart; give thanks to the Ho-ly One;

give thanks be-cause we're giv-en Je-sus Christ, the Son. Give

Son. And now let the weak say, "We are strong"; let the

poor say, "We are rich be-cause of what the Lord has done for

us!" And us!" Give thanks. Give thanks.

Drawing on language from 2 Corinthians 6:10 and 12:10 as well as Psalm 126:3, this short and repetitive song can be easily memorized. The simple vocabulary makes it suitable for multigenerational use, reminding all ages how gratitude for God's goodness changes our perspective.

Change My Heart, O God 695

Cámbiame, Señor 항상진실케

Refrain / Estribillo / 후렴

Change my heart, O God; make it ev - er true.
 Cám - bia - me, Se - ñor, con tu gran po - der.
 항 상 진 실 케 내 맘 바 꾸 사

Change my heart, O God; may I be like you.
 Haz - me co - mo tú, tu yo quie - ro ser.
 주 님 의 모 습 답 게 하 소 서

You are the Pot - ter; I am the clay.
 Tú el al - fa - re - ro, yo el ba - rro soy.
 주 는 토 기 장 이 나 는 진 흙

Mold me and make me; this is what I pray.
 Só - lo a tu i - ma - gen, quie - ro siem - pre ser.
 날 빛 으 소 서 기 도 하 오 니

The central image of the potter and the clay in this text comes from Isaiah 64:8 (and there is a similar reference in Jeremiah 18:1-6), while the petition for a changed heart is similar to Psalm 51:10. Such readiness to do God's will is a significant feature of the spiritual life.

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

608

G C Am7 Dsus D G
Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise Christ, all

D Am7 Dsus D Am7 D G Am7
peo - ple here be - low; praise Ho - ly Spir - it ev - er -

G C Am7 G Am7 D G
more; praise Tri - une God, whom we a - dore.

700 I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

1 I'm gon-na live so (live so)
 2 I'm gon-na work so (work so)
 3 I'm gon-na pray so (pray so) God can use me an - y -
 4 I'm gon-na sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!
 (an - y - time!)
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na
 I'm gon-na

live so (live so)
 work so (work so) God can use me an - y -
 pray so (pray so)
 sing so (sing so)

where, Lord, an - y - time!
 (my Lord,) (an - y - time!)
 (an - y - time!)

This African American spiritual has more depth than may at first appear: for people who are bound in slavery to sing about dedicating themselves to God's use shows a profound awareness of God-given self-worth despite circumstances that would deny their human or spiritual value.