



# Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

**February 23, 2025 10:30 a.m.  
Seventh Sunday after Epiphany**

## Order of Worship

\*\*indicates to stand as you are able.

### Prelude

*Jesus Loves Me*

arr. V. Labenske

Romans 8:39: . . . *neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

"Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so. Little ones to Him belong; they are weak but He is strong. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me; the Bible tells me so. Jesus loves me, He who died heaven's gate to open wide. He will wash away my sin, let His little child come in. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me. Yes, Jesus loves me; the Bible tells me so."

(words A.B. Warner, 1859; music (*China*) is by W. Bradbury, 1862; public domain)

(this piano solo: Alfred Publishing Co., Inc., 2007)

### 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

James Board

One: Come — the power of God is in this place.

**All: With gratitude and praise, we come into the presence of the Holy.**

One: Come — Jesus welcomes all who seek him.

**All: With trust and hope, we come as we are.**

One: Come— the Spirit of love is here.

**All: With joy we come to worship the One who calls us into life.**

Hymn- 619

*Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven*

### Call to Confession

### **Common Prayer of Confession**

You are our God and we are your people, Gracious Holy One.

**You have called us by name, chosen us before we could choose you.**

**You welcome us into your presence and renew us to live in your way.**

**With love and gratitude we come before you:**

**We admit we have not lived up to your instruction.**

We know in our hearts how we have fallen short.

*(silence)*

We know in our minds how we have assumed that others have fallen short.

*(silence)*

We know, too, how the society we have inherited, and which we perpetuate, is contrary to your kingdom.

*(silence)*

**We kneel before you, our hands empty, admitting our failure and weakness.**

**We offer all we have to give: Our hearts and spirits turn to you.**

**Your forgiveness is beyond our imagining,**

**and yet we are bold to ask for it,**

**and to commit ourselves to living by your grace,**

**in the name of Jesus the Christ and by the power of your Holy Spirit.**

**Amen.**

### **Assurance of Pardon**

L: In Christ, God looks on us with love...Children of God, receive the Good News:

P: **In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven: Thanks be to God!**

### **\*\*Response in song - 443**

*There Is a Redeemer, v. 1*

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son;  
precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,  
and leaving your Spirit  
till the work on earth is done.

## **WORD**

### **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**

*Find Me at the Feet of Jesus (with Holy, Holy, Holy)*

arr. R. Mauldin

*John 14:27: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives.*

*Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.*

*(words and music: M. Redman/J. Myrin/C. Tomlin, 2015)*

*(this choral arrangement: Atlas Mountain Songs; Rising Springs Music; S.D.G. Publishing; Said And Done Music 2015)*

### **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Gospel: Luke 7:36-50, Common English Bible**

<sup>36</sup>One of the Pharisees invited Jesus to eat with him. After he entered the Pharisee's home, he took his place at the table. <sup>37</sup>Meanwhile, a woman from the city, a sinner, discovered that Jesus was dining in the Pharisee's house. She brought perfumed oil in a vase made of alabaster. <sup>38</sup>Standing behind him at his feet and crying, she began to wet his feet with her tears. She wiped them with her hair, kissed them, and poured the oil on them. <sup>39</sup>When the Pharisee who had invited Jesus saw what was happening, he said to himself, If this man were a prophet, he would know what kind of woman is touching him. He would know that she is a sinner.

<sup>40</sup>Jesus replied, "Simon, I have something to say to you."

"Teacher, speak," he said.

<sup>41</sup>"A certain lender had two debtors. One owed enough money to pay five hundred people for a day's work.<sup>[a]</sup> The other owed enough money for fifty. <sup>42</sup>When they couldn't pay, the lender forgave the debts of them both. Which of them will love him more?"

<sup>43</sup>Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the largest debt canceled."

Jesus said, "You have judged correctly."

<sup>44</sup>Jesus turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? When I entered your home, you didn't give me water for my feet, but she wet my feet with tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup>You didn't greet me with a kiss, but she hasn't stopped kissing my feet since I came in. <sup>46</sup>You didn't anoint my head with oil, but she has poured perfumed oil on my feet. <sup>47</sup>This is why I tell you that her many sins have been forgiven; so she has shown great love. The one who is forgiven little loves little."

<sup>48</sup>Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

<sup>49</sup>The other table guests began to say among themselves, "Who is this person that even forgives sins?"

<sup>50</sup>Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."

L: The Word of the Lord.

**P: Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**

Rev. Janna VanderWoude

**Response in song** - 201, v. 1, 2, 4

*A Prophet Woman Broke a Jar*

**Service of Installation for Deacons and Elders**  
(see insert)

# THANKSGIVING/EUCHARIST

## 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

*There Is a Redeemer*

arr. M. Hayes

Isaiah 47:4: *Our Redeemer - the Lord Almighty is his name - is the Holy One of Israel.*

"There is a Redeemer Jesus God's own Son, Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One. Thank You O my Father for giving us Your Son; and leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done. Jesus my Redeemer, name above all names. Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, O for sinners slain. Thank You O my Father for giving us Your Son; and leaving Your Spirit till the work on earth is done."

(words and music by Melody Green, 1982; Universal Music/Brentwood Benson Publishing; admin. Capitol CMG Publishing)

(this piano solo: Word Music; 1982)

## \*\*Doxology - 63

*The Lord Is God*

1 The Lord is God, the Lord alone!  
Give honor, thanks, and praise  
to God, the maker of all things  
and giver of our days.

2 With all your heart, with all your soul,  
with all your mind and might,  
O people, love the Lord your God,  
the source of truth and light.

## Prayers of Thanksgiving and of the People

### SENDING

## Hymn -697, v 1-2, 5-6

*Take My Life and Let it Be*

## \*\*Charge and Benediction

## Postlude

*Great is the Lord*

arr. M. Hayes

Psalm 96:4: *For great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods.*

"Great is the Lord, He is holy and just; by His power we trust in His love. Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true; by His mercy He proves He is love. Great are you, Lord, and worthy of glory! Great are you, Lord, and worthy of praise. Great are you, Lord, we lift up our voice; we lift up our voice; great are you, Lord! Great are you, Lord!"

(words and music by Michael W. and Deborah Smith (1982, Meadowgreen Music Company)

(this piano solo: Word Music; 1982))

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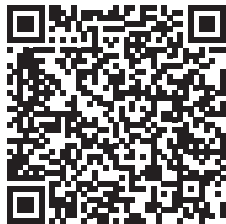
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## Announcements and Upcoming Events

### VBS

Join CMPC for Vacation Bible School in 2025 as we head to the True North and learn about trusting Jesus in the wild! VBS will return to CMPC the week of July 7-11 with registration for incoming preschool through 5th grade students is open for all.



### **2024 Contribution Statements**

Thank you for your generous and continued financial support for the work of our congregation last year. The year-end contribution statements will be available for you to download from CMPC Bridge between February 1, 2025 – April 30, 2025. Beginning February 1st, the “2024 Contribution Statement” button will 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 2024 contribution statement mailed or emailed to you in February, please send your request to Joyce Danzig, Assistant Treasurer, at [joyce.danzig@gmail.com](mailto:joyce.danzig@gmail.com).

### **Fellowship Hour**

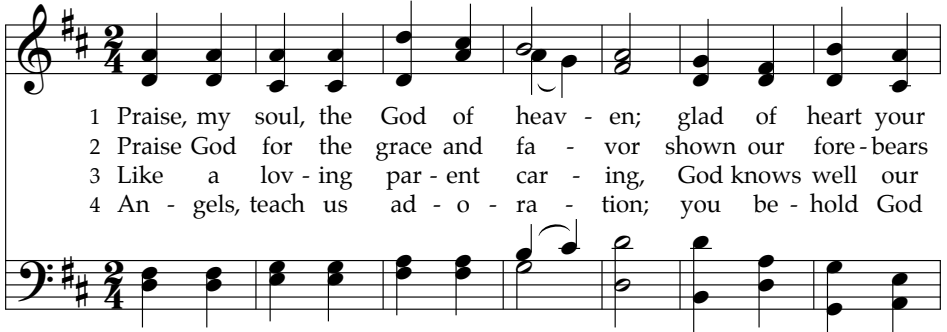
Join us every Sunday for Fellowship Hour. If for some reason we are not able to host it, we will make sure to communicate that via welcome and announcements prior to worship as necessary.

### **Monday Night Bible Study**

The Monday Night Zoom Bible Study Class is beginning a 10 week study on the Love of God as found in the Psalms. If you are interested, contact Kathy Koch for the Zoom link. ([KathrynKoch79@gmail.com](mailto:KathrynKoch79@gmail.com))

# Praise, My Soul, the God of Heaven 619

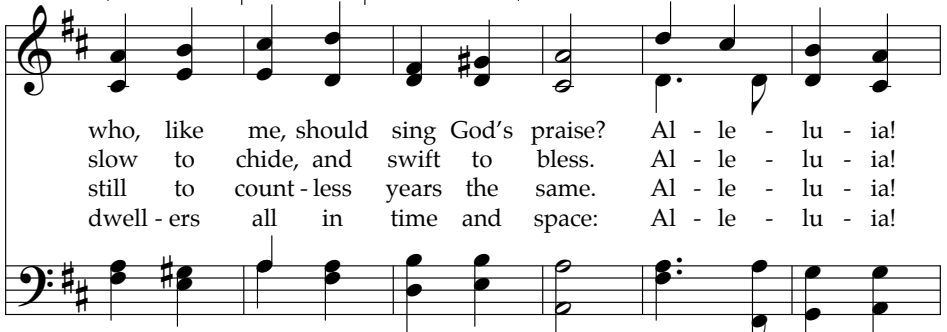
(Psalm 103)



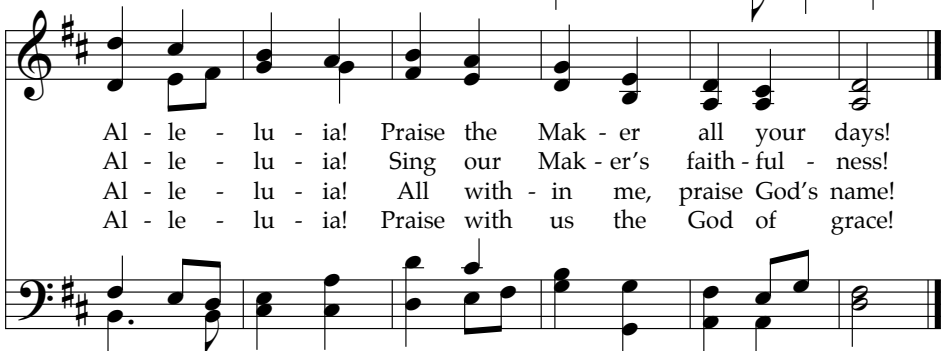
1 Praise, my soul, the God of heav - en; glad of heart your  
 2 Praise God for the grace and fa - vor shown our fore - bears  
 3 Like a lov - ing par - ent car - ing, God knows well our  
 4 An - gels, teach us ad - o - ra - tion; you be - hold God



car - ols raise; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en,  
 in dis - tress; God is still the same for - ev - er,  
 fee - ble frame, glad - ly all our bur - dens bear - ing,  
 face to face. Sun and moon and all cre - a - tion,



who, like me, should sing God's praise? Al - le - lu - ia!  
 slow to chide, and swift to bless. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 still to count - less years the same. Al - le - lu - ia!  
 dwell - ers all in time and space: Al - le - lu - ia!



Al - le - lu - ia! Praise the Mak - er all your days!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing our Mak - er's faith - ful - ness!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! All with - in me, praise God's name!  
 Al - le - lu - ia! Praise with us the God of grace!

This adaptation of an older paraphrase of Psalm 103 (see no. 620) is informed by an awareness that much of the received language of religious traditions enshrines social values that obscure the goodness of God, which far transcends all our labels and categories and hierarchies.

# 201 A Prophet-Woman Broke a Jar

1 A proph-et-wom-an broke a jar, by Love's di-vine ap-  
 2 A faith-ful wom-an left a tomb by Love's di-vine com-  
 3 Though wom-an-wis-dom, wom-an-truth, for cen-tu-ries were  
 4 The Spir-it knows; the Spir-it calls, by Love's di-vine or-

point-ing. With rare per-fume she filled the room, pre-  
 mis-sion. She saw; she heard; she preached the Word, a-  
 hid-den, un-sung, un-writ-ten, and un-heard, de-  
 dain-ing, the friends we need, to serve and lead, their

sid-ing and a-noint-ing. A proph-et-wom-an broke a jar,  
 ris-ing from sub-mis-sion. A faith-ful wom-an left a tomb,  
 rid-ed and for-bid-den, the Spir-it's breath, the Spir-it's fire,  
 powers and gifts un-chain-ing. The Spir-it knows; the Spir-it calls,

the sneers of scorn de-fy-ing. With rare per-fume she  
 with res-ur-rec-tion gos-pel. She saw; she heard; she  
 on free and slave de-scend-ing, can tum-ble our di-  
 from wom-en, men, and chil-dren, the friends we need, to

This text seeks to reverse the neglected witness of biblical women by celebrating the woman who washed Jesus' feet (unnamed in Matthew 26:6-13/Mark 14:3-9/Luke 7:36-50; Mary of Bethany in John 12:1-8) and Mary Magdalene (John 20:1-18; Matthew 28:1-10/Mark 16:1-7/Luke 24:10).



# JESUS CHRIST: PASSION AND DEATH

filled the room, pre - par - ing Christ for dy - ing.  
preached the Word, a - pos - tle to a - pos - tles.  
vid - ing walls, our shame and sad - ness mend - ing.  
serve and lead. Re - joice, and make them wel - come!

## Take My Life

697



1 Take my life and let it be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;  
 2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;  
 3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;  
 4 Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in  
 take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti -  
 take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sa -  
 take my in - tel - lect and use ev - ery power as



cease - less praise; let them flow in cease - less praise.  
 ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
 ges from thee, filled with mes - sa - ges from thee.  
 thou shalt choose, ev - ery power as thou shalt choose.



5 Take my will and make it thine;  
 it shall be no longer mine.  
 Take my heart, it is thine own;  
 it shall be thy royal throne,  
 it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour  
 at thy feet its treasure store;  
 take myself and I will be  
 ever, only, all for thee,  
 ever, only, all for thee.

This hymn of consecration radiates from the repeated word "take," resulting in a remarkably full survey of a person's attributes and possessions and giving weight to the "all" at the end. The composer of the tune was influential in the renewal of Reformed hymnody in French.



# Service of Ordination and Installation

for those Called to Ministry  
As Deacons and Elders

Christ Memorial  
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## SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

There are varieties of gifts,  
but it is the same Spirit who gives them.  
**There are different ways of serving God,  
but it is the same Lord who is served.**

God works through each person in a unique way,  
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.  
**To each is given a gift of the Spirit  
to be used for the common good.**

Together we are the body of Christ,  
and individually members of it.

## STATEMENT ON ORDINATION

Pastor Janna and Clerk Janene Holzberg

Those who are being ordained to service as Deacons and Elders:

**Deacons**  
Emma Gallagher  
Licia Gliptis

**Elders**  
Sally Berlowitz  
Glenn DeFavero

**\*PROFESSION OF FAITH** (by all)

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world? **I do.**

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in his grace and love? **I do.**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love? **I will, with God's help.**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith, saying together the words of the Apostle's Creed: (*Words may be found on p. 35 of the Hymnal*) **I believe....**

### **CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS to THOSE BEING ORDAINED TO OFFICE**

\_\_\_\_\_ in baptism, you were claimed by the love of God, clothed in the grace of Jesus Christ, and anointed with the gifts of the Holy Spirit to share Christ's mission in the world.....show your commitment to this calling by responding to these questions:

Do you trust in the Lord Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit? **I do.**

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit, the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's Word to you? **I do.**

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those confessions as you lead the people of God? **I do and I will.**

Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture, and be continually guided by our Confessions? **I will.**

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline?  
Will you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the ordering of God's Word and Spirit? **I will.**

Will you in your own life  
seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ,  
love your neighbors, and work for the reconciliation of the world? **I will.**

Do you promise to further the peace, unity,  
and purity of the church? **I do.**

Will you pray for and seek to serve the people  
with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love? **I will.**

### ***For Deacons***

Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern,  
and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need,  
and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

### ***For Ruling Elders***

Will you be a faithful ruling elder, watching over the people,  
providing for their worship, nurture, and service?  
Will you share in government and discipline, serving in councils of the church,  
and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ? **I will.**

### ***For The Congregation***

Clerk of Session Janene

Holzberg

Do we, the members of the church, accept (names) as *deacons and ruling elders*,  
chosen by God through the voice of this congregation  
to lead us in the way of Jesus Christ? **We do.**

Do we agree to pray for *them*, to encourage *them*,  
to respect *their* decisions, and to follow as *they* guide us,  
serving Jesus Christ, who alone is Head of the Church? **We do.**

## **PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION TO MINISTRY**

*Those being ordained kneel before the congregation:  
All Ruling Elders are invited forward for the laying on of hands.*

**DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION**

Pastor Janna

**CHARGE TO THE NEWLY INSTALLED**

Clerk of Session Janene Holzberg

**Charge to the Newly Ordained and Installed**

**7b** Be self-controlled and clearheaded so you can pray. **8** Above all, show sincere love to each other, because love brings about the forgiveness of many sins. **9** Open your homes to each other without complaining. **10** And serve each other according to the gift each person has received, as good managers of God's diverse gifts. **11** Whoever speaks should do so as those who speak God's word. Whoever serves should do so from the strength that God furnishes. Do this so that in everything God may be honored through Jesus Christ. To him be honor and power forever and always. Amen."

1 Peter 4:7b-11

**Charge to the Congregation**

"Brothers and sisters, we ask you to respect those who are working with you, leading you, and instructing you. **13** Think of them highly with love because of their work. Live in peace with each other. **14** Comfort the discouraged. Help the weak. Be patient with everyone. **15** Make sure no one repays a wrong with a wrong, but always pursue the good for each other and everyone else. **16** Rejoice always. **23** Now, may the God of peace himself cause you to be completely dedicated to him; and may your spirit, soul, and body be kept intact and blameless at our Lord Jesus Christ's coming. **24** The one who is calling you is faithful and will do this."

I Thessalonians

5:12-16, 23-24

# TROOP 75



**NEW FOR 2025!  
BLACK MULCH!**

# MULCH SALE FUNDRAISER

## MARCH 21-22, 2025 FREE DRIVEWAY DELIVERY

All proceeds go directly to the local Scouts of Troop 75 to pay for the cost of Scouting.





**ORDERING DEADLINE IS MARCH 7TH!**



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Cut here and mail - Please return by March 7th!



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# MULCH SALE FUNDRAISER FOR

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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*10 bag minimum* *10 bag minimum*

Total Payment Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Leave mulch bags on: front yard | side of driveway

Yes, I am interested in arranging for mulch spreading service @ \$3/bag. Note: Payment for spreading will be collected by the Scouts when the work is completed. Please allow up to 3 weeks for spreading service to be completed after delivery.

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