



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

April 6, 2025 10:30 a.m.
Fifth Sunday In Lent

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

How Beautiful

arr. S. Pethel

1 Corinthians 12:27: *You are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.*

"How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth.
How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross. How
beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ."

(words and music: T. Paris, 1990; Ariose Music; Mountain Spring Music; admin. Capitol CMG Publishing)

(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co., 2014)

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Janna VanderWoude

GATHERING

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

Rev. Janna VanderWoude

L: The peace of Christ be with you.

P: And also with you.

Call to Worship

John Salkeld

One: On this journey, as we go along the way---

All: Praise God for insight and clear vision!

One: When the view is blocked:

All: Praise God for revealing good news!

One: In the middle of the crowds, and off out of sight:

All: Praise God for restoring community!

****Hymn- 452**

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Call to Confession

Common Prayer of Confession

Have mercy on us, O God.

When it's all too much to bear, when we cannot hear the words, we cannot take in the enormity,

have mercy on us, O God.

When we try to protect you from our neighbors in need,
when we try to protect you from questions or different ideas,
when we try to protect you from those we think of as sinners,

have mercy on us, O God.

When we assume the worst of others,
and when we are upset that others assume the worst of us,

have mercy on us, O God.

When we care more about appearances than reality,
when we overlook those who do not fit our boxes and categories,
when we push people to the periphery so we don't have to be in community with "them,"

have mercy on us, O God.

When we are too unsure about your presence, promise, or power,
and so we cling instead to rules and keep our voices quiet except to grumble,

have mercy on us, O God.

~silence~

Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Wherever you find yourself today, Jesus sees you and calls you to him.

Trust in his good news: **Today salvation has come to this house. Thanks be to God!**

**Response in song - 443

There is a Redeemer

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 your work on earth is done.

WORD

Moment with Children

Wes Millard

**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

How Beautiful (incorporating *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*)
(congregation is invited to sing when cued, see insert)

arr. Ben Harlan

From Isaiah 52:7: How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, "Your God reigns!"

(words and music: T. Paris, 1990) (this choral arrangement: Alfred Publishing Co., Inc.)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures:

Luke 18:31–19:10, CEB

³¹ Jesus took the Twelve aside and said, “Look, we’re going up to Jerusalem, and everything written about the Human One[Ⓜ] by the prophets will be accomplished. ³² He will be handed over to the Gentiles. He will be ridiculed, mistreated, and spit on. ³³ After torturing him, they will kill him. On the third day, he will rise up.” ³⁴ But the Twelve understood none of these words. The meaning of this message was hidden from them and they didn’t grasp what he was saying.

Glory and honor and praise are yours, Living God!

Come among us and give us a glimpse of your grace.

³⁵ As Jesus came to Jericho, a certain blind man was sitting beside the road begging.

³⁶ When the man heard the crowd passing by, he asked what was happening. ³⁷ They told him, “Jesus the Nazarene is passing by.”

³⁸ The blind man shouted, “Jesus, Son of David, show me mercy.” ³⁹ Those leading the procession scolded him, telling him to be quiet, but he shouted even louder, “Son of David, show me mercy.”

⁴⁰ Jesus stopped and called for the man to be brought to him. When he was present Jesus asked, ⁴¹ “What do you want me to do for you?”

He said, “Lord, I want to see.”

⁴² Jesus said to him, “Receive your sight! Your faith has healed you.” ⁴³ At once he was able to see, and he began to follow Jesus, praising God. When all the people saw it, they praised God too.

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Come among us and give us a glimpse of your grace.

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through town. ² A man there named Zacchaeus, a ruler among tax collectors, was rich. ³ He was trying to see who Jesus was, but, being a short man, he couldn’t because of the crowd. ⁴ So he ran ahead and climbed up a sycamore tree so he could see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. ⁵ When Jesus came to that spot, he looked up and said, “Zacchaeus, come down at once. I must stay in your home today.” ⁶ So Zacchaeus came down at once, happy to welcome Jesus.

⁷ Everyone who saw this grumbled, saying, “He has gone to be the guest of a sinner.”

⁸ Zacchaeus stopped and said to the Lord, “Look, Lord, I give half of my possessions to the poor. And if I have cheated anyone, I repay them four times as much.”

⁹ Jesus said to him, “Today, salvation has come to this household because he too is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ The Human One[Ⓜ] came to seek and save the lost.

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Sermon

Looking Like Jesus

****Hymn of Response - 504, v1-2**

We Come as Guests Invited

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

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

arr. C. Yocum

1 Corinthians 1:18: *For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved, it is the power of God.*

*"Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand; the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land;
a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way, from burns beneath the noontide heat and burdens of the day."
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****Doxology - 608**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Christ, all people here below
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, creator of the universe, with joy we praise you and give you thanks. You brought light from darkness...
Therefore we join our voices with all those who sing your praise:

Hymnal 552--

Holy, Holy, Holy

1. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
- 2 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

We praise you, most holy God, for the gift and offering ourselves to live for him in joy and grateful praise:

Hymnal 553--

Christ Has Died; Christ is Risen

Christ has died; Christ has risen; Christ will come again.
Christ has died; Christ has risen; Christ will come again.

Gracious God, pour out your Holy Spirit upon us... All thanks and praise to you, O triune God, now and forever.
Amen.

Breaking of the Bread, and Communion

Offer communion to each other, passing the bread and holding it for all to take together:

....the body of Christ, given for you. Receive your sight! **Amen.**

Then pass the cup among you, holding it for all to take together.

The blood of Christ, poured out for you. Receive your sight. **Amen.**

Communion Music

Were You There?

arr. D. Wood

Luke 23:33: When they came to the place of the skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

"Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Were you there when they crucified my Lord? Oh, sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, tremble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?"

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Prayer after Communion, with Prayers of the People

SENDING

****Hymn -852**

When the Lord Redeems the Very Least

****Blessing and Charge**

Postlude

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

arr. G. Sewell

Galatians 2:20: I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

"In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sacred story, gathers round its head sublime."

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

We need sweets!

We need your help with providing a sweet treat for our weekly Fellowship Hour! We will gladly accept home-made or store bought cookies, pastries, quick breads, coffee cakes, etc. The choice is up to you! In the cookie realm, we typically need 4-5 dozen. The sign-up sheet will be located in Fellowship Hall on the cookie table or you can contact Chip Garner at Chipgarner12@gmail.com to schedule a date. If for some reason, an event is scheduled on your cookie date, please continue to bring in your treat labeled with your name and we'll put it in the freezer for a future date. Thank you!

CMPC Annual Musical Treats & Sweets: Stars!

Join us on Sunday evening, May 4th (6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.) for our annual "Musical Treats & Sweets" event. This year's theme is Stars (Stars Wars, Stars & Stripes, Evening with the Stars...).

It will be a wonderful evening of musical performances, silent auctions, and free treats. This fundraiser will benefit the GenOn Youth Summit attendance (for our community and a community in-need). The theme this year is Stars! The suggested donation at the door is \$5.

If you would like to perform, contact Lindsey Kim (lindseyathorne@yahoo.com) (she can help you with an accompanist if needed).

Please consider contributing to the success of this event in the following ways:

- Sweet treats or specialty items for the silent auction tables, contact Tom and Meg Engle (dpgroove@hotmail.com)
- Hosted events for the silent auction, contact Ashlyn Sowell (ashlynsowell@yahoo.com)
- Sweet treats for the snack tables, contact Chad Board boardca@yahoo.com.

If you have other questions, contact Joyce Danzig (Joyce.Danzig@gmail.com).

This is a variety show and silent auction fundraiser to benefit the GenOn Youth Summit attendance (for our community and a community in- need).

Rebuilding Together Howard County

Once again the CMPC Mission Committee and CMPC members are partnering with Rebuilding Together to provide repairs to homes of at-need families in Howard County. This year's date is Saturday, April 26th. We will be doing tasks like flooring, painting and installing windows. Wes Millard, wesmillard@gmail.com, and Pete Berlowitz, pberlowitz@verizon.net, will be acting as house captains for this purpose. Please prayerfully consider participating in this endeavor. Young people, ages 14 and up are also welcomed to participate with parental consent.

Monday night Zoom Bible study

This Bible study will be moving to Wednesday night at 7:30 starting on April 23rd. Please contact kathrynkoch79@gmail.com if you would like to join.

Food Drive

CMPC's CARE Group ministry is sponsoring our 3rd Food Collection for the Oakland Mills High School Food Pantry. The Food Pantry currently serves approximately 80 families and is supported primarily through donations. We will be accepting donations through **Sunday, April 6, 2025**. All items will be delivered to OMHS the week of April 7th. The foods listed are items which are currently in highest demand.

We are only collecting the items below at this time.

- Boxed cereal
- Oatmeal
- Peanut Butter
- Jelly
- Baby wipes
- Diapers (larger sizes needed)

Please ensure that all donated goods are sealed and have not expired. There will be a collection bin downstairs as you enter the building from the parking lot, and upstairs in the narthex, outside of the sanctuary. Thank you again for your support! If you have any questions, please contact Markita Garner, Cindy Pettit, or Sandi Chapasko.

Spring Clean Up

May 3rd, 8:30 - 1:30pm

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

VBS Volunteers

VBS is looking for creative and hardworking people that would be interested in helping turn Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church into our own True North Alaskan Wilderness for VBS this year! We are looking for people to cut, glue and prep decorations from home as well as decorate in the days before VBS. If you are interested please email Laura Jean Graybeal at vbs@cmpcusa.org

2024 Contribution Statements

Thank you for your generous financial support for the work of our congregation last year.

The year-end contribution statements are available for you to download from CMPC Bridge until April 30, 2025. 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, please send your request to Joyce Danzig, Assistant Treasurer, at joyce.danzig@gmail.com.

Join the CMPC Recorder Choir!

We want you (yes, you!) to join the CMPC Recorder Choir! Everyone of any age is welcome to participate!

We will perform one song at the Musical Treats & Sweets event on Sunday, May 4th. The music for the song will be distributed in advance to allow for individual practice before one group rehearsal. Heather Barham will conduct the choir. Contact Joyce Danzig at Joyce.Danzig@gmail.com to sign up and to receive additional details.

452 Open the Eyes of My Heart

O-pen the eyes of my heart, Lord. O-pen the eyes of my heart;

I want to see you; I want to see you;

to see you high and lift - ed up,

shin-ing in the light of your glo - ry. Pour out your

pow-er and love as we sing "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly."

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, I want to see you.

The initial petition of this song is based on the language of Ephesians 1:18, while the second part draws on the account of Isaiah's vision in Isaiah 6:1-5. That event, in turn, is the basis of the threefold *Sanctus* that has become a traditional element in Christian worship.

HOW BEAUTIFUL

(Incorporating When I Survey the Wondrous Cross)

for congregation

Arranged by
BENJAMIN HARLAN

Words and Music by
TWILA PARIS (ASCAP)

Verse 1: How beautiful the hands that served the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth.
(Choir only) How beautiful the feet that walked the long dusty roads and the hill to the cross.
How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ.

Verse 2: How beautiful the heart that bled, that took all my sin and bore it instead.
(Choir only) How beautiful the tender eyes that chose to forgive and never despise.
How beautiful, how beautiful, how beautiful is the body of Christ.

Verse 3: *See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down.
(Choir only) Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Verse 4: Choir and Congregation

How beau - ti - ful the feet that bring the sound of good
news and the love of the King. How beau - ti - ful the hands that
serve the wine and the bread and the sons of the earth. How beau - ti -
ful, how beau - ti - ful, how
beau - ti - ful is the bod - y of Christ.

*When I Survey the Wondrous Cross; music by Lowell Mason (1792-1872); words by Isaac Watts (1674-1748).

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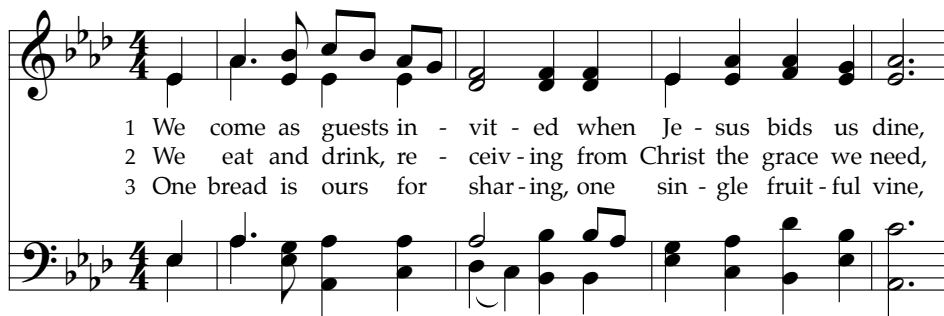
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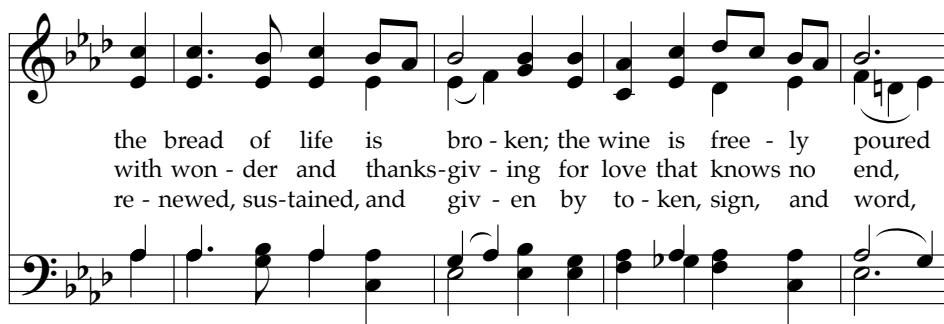
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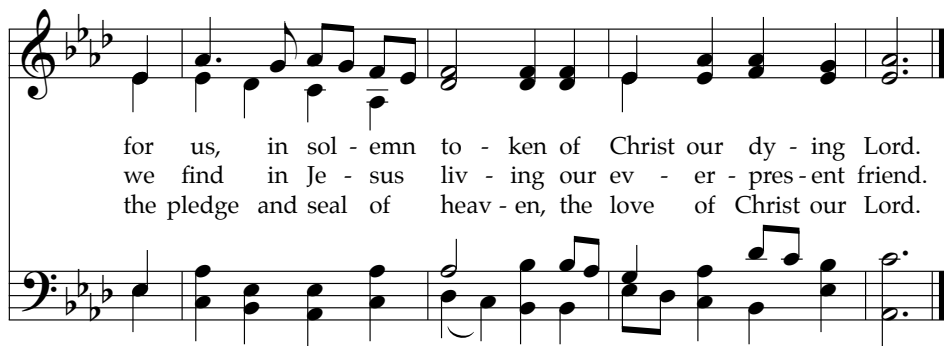
1 We come as guests in - vit - ed when Je - sus bids us dine,
 2 We eat and drink, re - ceiv - ing from Christ the grace we need,
 3 One bread is ours for shar - ing, one sin - gle fruit - ful vine,



his friends on earth u - nit - ed to share the bread and wine;
 and in our hearts be - liev - ing on him by faith we feed;
 our fel - low-ship de - clar - ing re - newed in bread and wine:



the bread of life is bro - ken; the wine is free - ly poured
 with won - der and thanks-giv - ing for love that knows no end,
 re - newed, sus-tained, and giv - en by to - ken, sign, and word,



for us, in sol - emn to - ken of Christ our dy - ing Lord.
 we find in Je - sus liv - ing our ev - er - pres - ent friend.
 the pledge and seal of heav - en, the love of Christ our Lord.

Without attempting to unravel the mystery of Christ's presence in the bread and wine, the central stanza of this text affirms that we are nourished by faith rather than by understanding. This hopeful text is reinforced by a gentle 16th-century tune created for a secular text.

852 When the Lord Redeems the Very Least

1 When the Lord re-deems the ver-y least,
 2 When the Lord re-stores the sick and weak, we will re-
 3 When the Lord re-vives the world from death, we will re-joyce, will re-
 4 When the Lord re-turns in vic-to-ry,

joyce. When the hun-gry gath-er for the feast,
 joyce, will re-joyce. When the earth is giv-en to the meek,
 When the word of God fills ev-ery breath,
 When we live in glo-rious lib-er-ty,

Refrain
 we will re-joyce. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce.
 we will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce.

What does it mean to pray "thy kingdom come"? This text (loosely modeled on Psalm 126) sketches out some of the features that help us to know when God's reign has truly come. The energy of the gospel song tune adds to the sense of rejoicing repeatedly promised in this text.

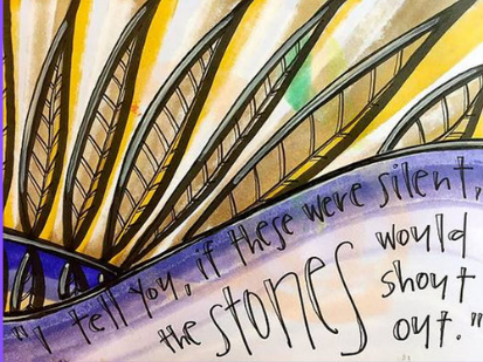
TRUSTING IN THE PROMISES OF GOD

joyce with glad-ness. We will re-joyce.
joyce with glad-ness. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce with glad-ness. All our

days we'll sing to God in praise. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce!

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The first system has lyrics: 'joyce with glad-ness. We will re-joyce.' and 'joyce with glad-ness. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce with glad-ness. All our'. The second system has lyrics: 'days we'll sing to God in praise. We will re-joyce, will re-joyce, will re-joyce!'. The music is written in a simple, accessible style with clear note values and rests.

*Holy Week at
Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church
All are welcome!*



Palm Sunday

April 13th, 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

"Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" The road Jesus follows to Jerusalem concludes with a celebration of his arrival there: But some have questions about what it all means. How do we create a welcome for King Jesus, present to us now---with stony silence or expressed joy?

Maundy Thursday

April 17th at 6 p.m., Fellowship Hall

Join us as we gather together to break bread, enjoy a simple soup supper, and then share the sacrament of communion at our dinner tables. Please RSVP to the church office (office@cmpcusa.org). Childcare will be provided.

Easter Sunrise Service

April 20th at 6:30 a.m.

Gathering in semi-darkness we will gather to worship the Risen Son as the sun rises. All are welcome to join in this simple and powerful worship experience. The service will be moved indoors in the event of inclement weather. Light refreshments will be served after the service.

Easter Worship

April 20th at 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary

Come one, come all to worship on Easter Sunday morning when we will pull out all the stops to bring our worship to the Risen Lord! Come, add your voice to the millions gathered around the world to celebrate the blessed day as we unite our voices in song: Christ the Lord is risen today! Alleluia!

Easter Egg Hunt

April 20th, following 10:30 worship

The Fellowship Committee is sponsoring an Easter Egg Hunt for children in preschool and elementary school immediately following the worship service. There will be lots of eggs for children to find! Come and join the fun!