

Christ Memorial

Presbyterian Church

July 13, 2025 10:30 a.m. Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude O Worship the King arr. V. Labenske

Psalm 145: 1: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever.

"O worship the King, all glorious above! O gratefully sing God's power and God's love; our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail; in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend."

(words: R. Grant, 1833; music (*Lyons*): J.M. Kraus, 1784; public domain) (this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing Co, 2021)

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.

Opening Sentences:

L: We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart. We will tell of all the wonderful things you've done.

P: We will celebrate your love for us with everything in us: We will sing praises to your name!

Sung Call to Worship-413

Come into God's Presence

Call to Confession, followed by Silence for Reflection and Prayer

Common Prayer of Confession

There are many times we think we love you well, O Lord.

You call us to love you all our heart, all our mind, and all our strength, but we confess that our love for you is diluted.

Our love for you is made flat—insipid—by other loyalties, and divided hearts: Our love for you seems pure and passionate only for brief moments.

Soon our affections are drawn away: How easily our devotion to you dies! Forgive us, O God.

In your mercy, spare us, despite our faded love for you; By your Spirit rekindle our love for you, and may we see anew Jesus' love for us. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

......Hear the Good News--- In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven: **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 the work on earth is done.

WORD

Moment with Children Liz Perraud

*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

My Life Flows On (How Can I Keep from Singing)

Psalm 118:15: Songs of joy and victory are sung in the camp of the godly. The strong right arm of the Lord has done glorious things!

(words and music attributed to: R. Lowry, 1869; public domain)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Hebrew Bible Text: Psalm 84:1-4, 11-12

How lovely is your dwelling place, LORD of heavenly forces! ² My very being longs, even yearns, for the LORD's courtyards.

My heart and my body will rejoice out loud to the living God!

³ Yes, the sparrow too has found a home there; the swallow has found herself a nest where she can lay her young beside your altars, LORD of heavenly forces, my king, my God!

⁴Those who live in your house are truly happy; they praise you constantly.

¹¹The Lord is a sun and shield; God is favor and glory.

The LORD gives—does not withhold!—good things to those who walk with integrity.

¹²Lord of heavenly forces, those who trust in you are truly happy!

Ephesians 4:1-6, 5:19-21

Therefore, as a prisoner for the Lord, I encourage you to live as people worthy of the call you received from God. ²Conduct yourselves with all humility, gentleness, and patience. Accept each other with love, ³ and make an effort to preserve the unity of the Spirit with the peace that ties you together. ⁴ You are one body and one spirit, just as God also called you in one hope. ⁵ There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, ⁶ and one God and Father of all, who is over all, through all, and in all.

¹⁹ Speak to each other with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs; sing and make music to the Lord in your hearts; ²⁰ always give thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; ²¹ and submit to each other out of respect for Christ.

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon Holy Yours Rev. Janna Vander Woude

**Hymn of Response-533 In the Singing

Thanksgiving for the Faithful Service of Joy Exner, Music Director Presentation

L: Joy was clothed with Christ in her baptism and called by God... ... and then as Musical Director.

P: We remember with joy
Our common calling to serve Christ
And celebrate God's call
To all who minister among us.

L: As we together recognize the service of Joy Exner.....will you continue to share in ministry and service with her and with her husband Allen as you affirm your commitment to your Lord and Savior Jesus Christ?

P: We will.

Expressions of Appreciation from Christ Memorial Church

Prayer Elder Jeff Bloom

Commissioning for Massanetta Springs Conference

Virginia Callegary, DCE First of Howard

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

How Can I Keep From Singing with Praise Him! Praise Him! Psalm 147:1: Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

"There is an endless song echoes in my soul, I hear the music ring. And though the storms may come, I am holding on, to the rock I cling. How can I keep from singing Your praise? How can I ever say enough, how amazing is Your love. How can I keep from shouting Your name? I know I am loved by the King, and it makes my heart want to sing." (words and music by C. Tomlin/E. Cash/M. Redman, 2006) (SixSteps Music/ThankYou Music/Vamos Publishing, admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

"Praise him, praise him! Jesus, our blessed redeemer! Sing, O earth, his wonderful love proclaim! Hail him, hail him! Highest archangels in glory! Strength and honor give to his holy name! Like a shepherd, Jesus will guard his children. In his arms he carries them all day long. Praise him! Praise him! Tell of his excellent greatness. Praise him! Praise him! Ever in joyful song." (words: F. Crosby, 1869; music (Joyful Song): C. Allen, 1869; words and music are public domain)

(this piano solo: ThankYou Music, WorshipTogether.com Songs/Six Steps Music, admin. by Music Services, Inc. 2006)

**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 (concluding with the Lord's prayer)

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.

It is truly right and our greatest joy...Therefore we praise you, joining our voices...who forever sing to the glory of your name:

Hymnal 552-- 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 of your Son Jesus...the firstborn of the new creation.

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.

By your Spirit, make us one. By your Spirit.....for the sake of Jesus Christ who taught us to pray: **Our Father, who art in heaven.....Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

Communion of the People

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

....the Bread of Heaven. Amen.

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

... the cup of salvation. Amen.

Music during Communion What a Friend We Have in Jesus, arr. V. Labenske

(words: J.J. Scriven, 1855; music (Converse): C.C. Converse, 1868; public domain)

It Is Well With My Soul, arr. V. Labenske

(words: H. Spafford, 1873; music (Ville Du Havre): P. Bliss, 1873; public domain)

Jesus Loves Me, arr. V. Labenske

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

(these piano solos: Alfred Publishing Co, 2007)

Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Hymn - 737, v.1,2

Lord Jesus, You Shall be My Song

**Blessing and charge

Postlude

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

arr. V. Labenske

Psalm 124:8: Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

"O God, our Help in ages past, our Hope for years to come; our Shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal Home!"

(words: I. Watts, 1719; music (St. Anne): W. Croft, 1798; public domain)

(this piano solo: Alfred Publishing Co., 2008)

Thank you to Neil Danzig and Allen Exner for providing audio support this week!

Thank you to Kevin Wilson for operating the sanctuary cameras this week!

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

WELCOME!

We welcome our guests from First of Howard. We hold you in our prayers and offer our support throughout your time of need.

Communion

Celebration of the Lord's Supper (Communion) will be held the Second Sunday of the month through the summer: July 13 and August 10. Please make note of this change in schedule for the summer months.

Becoming Presbyterian

Tuesdays, July 1-15 at 7 PM: Member or not, here you come! (We hope).

Those who have an interest in officially joining up with Christ Memorial Presbyterian, here is your chance! This 3 week-series will give you the low-down on 3 aspects of membership here at CMPC.

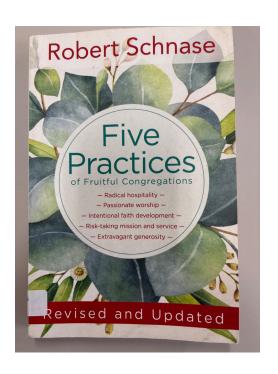
AND--if you are already a "church member" but you'd like to freshen up your views on what that exactly means, you are also welcome to come!

Week 3-Being a PC-USA member in the Christ Memorial tradition

The group will meet at 7 PM in the conference room. We look forward to being with you!

The Five Practices of a Fruitful Congregation

The current Sermon series about practices of fruitful congregations is taken from the book shown here. The Practices and sermons are listed on your red Summer season pew cards, and if you want to learn more, the book is available through Amazon and other book dealers.



Please COME to the Commission on Ministry Expansion

TOWN HALL and Summer POTLUCK DINNER

When: Wednesday, July 16 from 6:00 – 8:00 pm

Where: Fellowship Hall at CMPC

Who: Everyone! Childcare will be provided after dinner

What: Hotdogs, Hamburgers and dessert will be provided. Please bring your favorite summer salad to

share.

The Town Hall portion will begin at 7 pm, with a brainstorming session and opportunity to provide feedback on current ideas being considered by COME (Commission on Ministry Expansion). Topics focus on property use,

facility use/rental, mortgage reduction and ways to grow the membership.

Please RSVP below by Sunday, July 13.



Welcome to CMPC

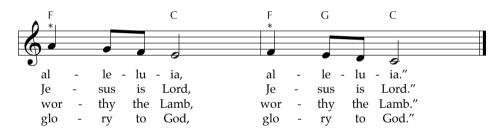
If you are visiting us for the first time or attending as a guest, please stop by our "Welcome Center," outside Fellowship Hall. We can provide additional information about our church and our missions. We like to "mug" our new friends with a mug with our church logo and a few goodies inside.

Hope to meet you soon ~ The Membership & Hospitality Committee

Come into God's Presence



- 1 Come in to God's pres-ence sing ing "Al le lu ia,
- 2 Come in to God's pres-ence sing-ing "Je sus is Lord,
- 3 Praise the Lord to geth er sing ing "Wor thy the Lamb,
- 4 Praise the Lord to geth er sing ing "Glo ry to God,



^{*}May be sung as a canon.

This anonymous worship chorus is thought to have been created extemporaneously during the 1960s and was one of the earliest songs of that kind. The opening line of the text is a paraphrase of Psalm 100:2, and the very act of singing this song fulfills that verse's invitation.

In the Singing

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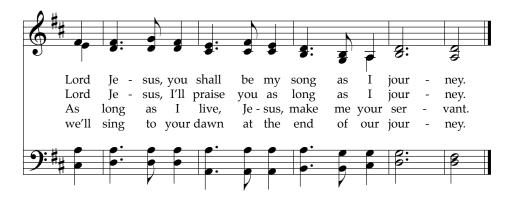


In its vivid and carefully observed details this profoundly simple text evokes the interplay of present awareness and timeless meaning that accompanies the celebration of the Lord's Supper. Its unifying tone of solemn joy is aptly conveyed by the chantlike musical setting.

$737\,$ Lord Jesus, You Shall Be My Song



Originally created in French, this text reflects the ministry of a Roman Catholic religious community, the Little Sisters of Jesus, who work with people on the margins of society. This hymn is also beloved by the Ark (*L'Arche*) communities who minister to adults with disabilities.



FRENCH

- 1 Jésus, je voudrais te chanter sur ma route; Jésus, je voudrais t'annoncer à mes voisins partout, car toi seul es la vie et la paix et l'amour: Jésus, je voudrais te chanter sur ma route.
- 2 Jésus, je voudrais te louer sur ma route; Jésus, je voudrais que ma voix soit l'écho de ta joie, et que chante la terre et que chante le ciel; Jésus, je voudrais te louer sur ma route.
- 3 Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route; Jésus, je voudrais partager les souffrances de ta croix, car tu livres pour moi et ton corps et ton sang; Jésus, je voudrais te servir sur ma route.
- 4 Jésus, je voudrais tout au long de ma route entendre tes pas résonner dans la nuit près de moi, jusqu'à l'aube du jour où ton peuple sauvé, Jésus, chantera ton retour sur ma route.