

Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

July 20, 2025 10:30 a.m.
Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Order of Worship

**indicates to stand as you are able.

Prelude

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

arr. V. Labenske

1 Timothy 1:17: *Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen.*

"Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes; most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days; almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise! Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might; thy justice, like mountains high soaring above; thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love."

(words by W. Smith, 1867; music (*St. Denio*) is a Welsh Fold melody, 1839; public domain)

(this piano solo: Alfred Music, 2012)

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: The time is here and now, to worship God in Spirit and truth.

All: For in Jesus God's kingdom is fulfilled:

There is enough for all, and living water flows.

One: Come and hear the One who has the words of eternal life.

All: There is no one else like him, and nothing else that truly satisfies.

One: The Holy Spirit gifts us with all we need

to live in the kingdom of God here and now.

All: We come to worship God together, to be raised to new life.

****Hymn - 710**

*We Lift Our Voices
(We Are an Offering)*

Call to Confession, followed by Silence for Reflection and Prayer

Common Prayer of Confession

Holy God, you so generously provide for your creation, day by day.

yet we live storing up treasures for ourselves against a day when your provision fails.

We confess that the prayer “give us this day our daily bread” falls thoughtlessly from our lips.

We have prayed for abundance, and hoarded the results of your generosity.

We keep things to ourselves, far more than we need.

We create the illusion of security and place our trust that instead.

We admit that we have not trusted you to provide each day.

Forgive us for perpetuating a world of haves and have-nots,

for refusing to allow others to share our bounty or to be one of “us,”

for our part in the destruction of community created in your image,

for our unwillingness to suffer as a have-not, though you yourself became one.

Turn our anxiety to trust, that you provide enough for us and for all,

so that we may not only live in but share your all-sufficient grace.

Unbind our imaginations to see your kingdom flourish,

by our own obedience to your will as well as your promises.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit and the name of Christ we pray, 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

Commissioning for Gen-On Youth Summit 2025

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

Menuett

by Haydn/Barge

Lindsey and Zoe Kim, flute duet

Psalm 98:4 Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth; burst into jubilant song with music.

(compiled and edited by H. Voxman in Selected Duets for Flute, Vol. 1; original publication date: 1955)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Hebrew Bible Malachi 3:4-10, CEB

The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the LORD
as in ancient days and in former years.

⁵I will draw near to you for judgment.

I will be quick to testify against the sorcerers,

the adulterers, those swearing falsely,

against those who cheat the day laborers out of their wages

as well as oppress the widow and the orphan,

and against those who brush aside the foreigner and do not revere me,

says the LORD of heavenly forces.

⁶I am the LORD, and I do not change;

and you, children of Jacob, have not perished.

⁷Ever since the time of your ancestors,

you have deviated from my laws

and have not kept them.

Return to me and I will return to you,

says the LORD of heavenly forces.

But you say,

“How should we return?”

⁸Should a person deceive God?

Yet you deceive me.

But you say, “How have we deceived you?”

With your tenth-part gifts and offerings.

⁹You are being cursed with a curse,

and you, the entire nation, are robbing me.

¹⁰Bring the whole tenth-part to the storage house so there might be food in my house.

Please test me in this,

says the LORD of heavenly forces.

See whether I do not open all the windows of the heavens for you

and empty out a blessing until there is enough.

2 Corinthians 8:1-15. CEB

Brothers and sisters, we want to let you know about the grace of God that was given to the churches of Macedonia. ²While they were being tested by many problems, their extra amount of happiness and their extreme poverty resulted in a surplus of rich generosity. ³I assure you that they gave what they could afford and even more than they could afford, and they did it voluntarily. ⁴They urgently begged us for the privilege^(a) of sharing in this service for the saints. ⁵They even exceeded our expectations, because they gave themselves to the Lord first and to us, consistent with God’s will. ⁶As a result, we challenged Titus to finish this work of grace with you the way he had started it.

⁷Be the best in this work of grace in the same way that you are the best in everything, such as faith, speech, knowledge, total commitment, and the love we inspired in you. ⁸I’m not giving an order, but by mentioning the commitment of others, I’m trying to prove the authenticity of your love also. ⁹You know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Although he was rich, he became poor for your sakes, so that you could become rich through his poverty.

¹⁰I'm giving you my opinion about this. It's to your advantage to do this, since you not only started to do it last year but you wanted to do it too. ¹¹Now finish the job as well so that you finish it with as much enthusiasm as you started, given what you can afford. ¹²A gift is appreciated because of what a person can afford, not because of what that person can't afford, if it's apparent that it's done willingly. ¹³It isn't that we want others to have financial ease and you financial difficulties, but it's a matter of equality. ¹⁴At the present moment, your surplus can fill their deficit so that in the future their surplus can fill your deficit. In this way there is equality. ¹⁵As it is written, *The one who gathered more didn't have too much, and the one who gathered less didn't have too little*

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon

Rev. Janna VanderWoude

****Hymn of Response-716**

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending

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

Jesus Loves Me

arr. J. Kraus

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."

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

(this piano solo: Berwin Mills Publishing Co., Inc., 2000)

****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!

SENDING

Hymn - 697, v. 1,4,5,6

Take My Life

****Blessing and charge**

Postlude

Lead On, O King Eternal

arr. V. Labenske

Psalm 25: 5: *Lead me in your truth, and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all day long.*

"Lead on, O King eternal, we follow, not with fears; for gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears. Your cross is lifted o'er us, we journey in its light; the crown awaits the conquest, lead on, O God of might."

(words by E. Shurtleff, 1888; music (*Lancashire*) by H. Smart, 1835; public domain)

(this piano solo: Alfred Music, 2012)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

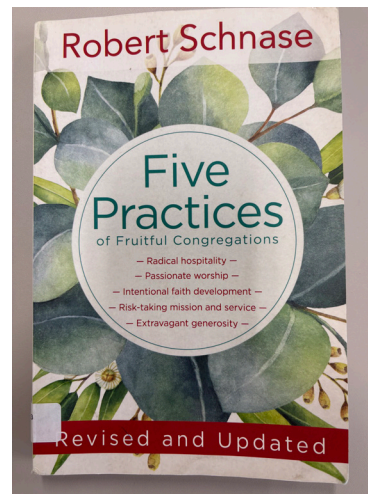
Welcome to CMPC

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

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.



August Worship at CMPC

In August you are invited by the Session and Pastor Janna to worship in a variety of settings and ways.

On August 3, 10 and 17 there are 2 worship opportunities each Sunday:

10:30 AM in the Sanctuary: "Songs and Prayers"

This is a brief service of prayers and songs selected by YOU. Over these 3 weeks we will be singing your favorite songs from the hymnal.

"Mealtime with Jesus" in Fellowship Hall; Different Times each Sunday

Our focus is on meals with Jesus, and "Enough". Each of these Worship times is designed to be family-friendly and to incite our passion for being together to worship God.

- **August 3 at 11:15 AM "Picnic Lunch with Jesus".** *There is enough.*
Pack a picnic lunch and maybe a bit that could be shared. Bring chairs and picnic blankets or towels to sit on. Some tables and chairs will be provided.
- **August 10 at 6 PM "Dinner with Jesus" and Communion.** *Jesus is Enough.*
We'll gather around tables and serve each other communion. We'll need a team of volunteers to focus on this one event and help with service participation, food prep, set-up and cleanup.
- **August 17 at 9:15 AM "Breakfast with Jesus"** *You are Enough.*
Breakfast will be provided. A small team of volunteers is needed to focus on this one event and help with worship service participation, food prep, set-up and cleanup.

A link for volunteers and needed roles will be set up shortly. Stay tuned if you have a willingness to be part of this venture into worshipping God together in ways that are new to us!

WORSHIP SCHEDULE ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 3:

Come to Prayers and Songs, Come to Soul Food Worship Service, come to either, come to both: The choice is yours.

10:30 AM in the Sanctuary: "Prayers and Songs" (about 30- minutes)

...If you have favorite hymns or songs from the hymnal you'd like to see included in these early-August services, please let us know by clicking here: (Insert qr code for google doc)

11:15 in Fellowship Hall "Soul Food" Worship Service

Picnic Lunch with Jesus: There is Enough

This is a BYOL(unch), pack-your-own event: Please pack lunch for you and your crew, large or small, and whatever serveware you need.

As Jesus shared food with the 5000, a collection of shareables just might be taken....

Please bring blankets or picnic tablecloths for your picnic, or--if you prefer--camp chairs to sit in.

A limited number of tables and chairs will be set up around the space.

Board Game Night!

Please join us for a night of board games on August 3rd from 7-9pm in Fellowship Hall! Bring a board game to share and we will provide light summer refreshments. All ages are welcome.



Board Game Night



We Lift Our Voices

We Are an Offering

710

We lift our voices; we lift our hands; we lift our
 lives up to you: we are an of-fer-ing. Lord, use our
 voice - es; Lord, use our hands; Lord, use our
 lives; they are yours: we are an of-fer-ing.
 All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we
 give to you, we give to you. We lift our
 voice - es; we lift our hands; we lift our lives up to you:
 we are an of-fer-ing; we are an of-fer-ing.

This praise and worship song can best be understood as reflecting on and expanding 1 Chronicles 29:14b: "For all things come of you, [O Lord,] and of your own have we given you." There are also echoes of Paul's appeal for Christians to be living sacrifices (Romans 12:1).

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending 716

Capo 3: (D) F (Bm) Dm (G) B^b

1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
 2 Skills and time are ours for press - ing toward the goals of
 3 Trea - sure, too, you have en - trust - ed, gain through powers your

(D) F (Bm) Dm

end - less store, na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom, cost - ly
 Christ, your Son: all at peace in health and free - dom, rac - es
 grace con - ferred: ours to use for home and kin - dred, and to

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

cross, grave's shat - tered door: gift - ed by you, we turn
 joined, the church made one. Now di - rect our dai - ly
 spread the gos - pel word. O - pen wide our hands in

(Bm) Dm (F#m) Am (Bm) Dm (G) B^b (A) C (D) F

to you, of - fer - ing up our - selves in praise; thank - ful song shall
 la - bor, lest we strive for self a - lone. Born with tal - ents,
 shar - ing, as we heed Christ's age - less call, heal - ing, teach - ing,

(Bm) Dm (G) B^b (D) F

rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.
 make us ser - vants fit to an - swer at your throne.
 and re - claim - ing, serv - ing you by lov - ing all.

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

This text on stewardship was one of about 450 submissions in a search for such hymns conducted by the Hymn Society of America in 1961. These words are well grounded by their musical setting, an early American shape note tune named for a Baptist church in Harris County, Georgia.

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.