



Christ Memorial Presbyterian Church

***July 27, 2025 10:30 a.m.
Seventh Sunday after Pentecost***

Order of Worship

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

Prelude

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

arr. V. Labenske

Psalm 98: 4: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

*"Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love! Hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above. Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away. Giver of
immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day."*

(words by H. Van Dyke, 1907; music (*Hymn to Joy*) by L. van Beethoven, 1824; public domain)

Welcome and Announcements

Mollie Thomas

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

L: Open us to your constant presence, Holy One

P: Teach us to pray and

L: Restore our sight,

P: That we may commune with you each day in the light of eternity.

****Hymn - 301**

Let Us Build a House

Call to Confession, followed by Silence for Reflection and Prayer

Common Prayer of Confession

God, we do not find it easy to speak of how we do not live as your people, but you long for us to share our weaknesses and failures with you. We are invited to pray-for all who have hurt someone else, and all who have been hurt by another. We are called to pray-for hope, for healing, for mercy. We pray to the One who seeks to make us whole; whose will is to restore us to new life. Come O Holy Spirit and hear our prayers. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

L: In Christ, we become new people: broken, we are made whole; lost, we are found; forsaken, we are restored to new life.

P: In Jesus Christ you 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

Rev. Renee Mackey

**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. Children are invited to stay for worship.

Word in Music

Awesome God

arr. A. Exner

Allen Exner, solo

Psalm 47:2: For the Lord Most High is awesome; He is a great King over all the earth.

(words and music by Rich Mullins, Universal Music/Brentwood Benson Publishing, 1988)

Prayer for Illumination

Scriptures

Genesis 18: 20-32

Then the Lord said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me, and if not, I will know."

So the men turned from there and went toward Sodom, while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake." Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And he said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again he spoke to him, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it." Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." He answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." He said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to my lord. Suppose twenty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then he said, "Oh, do not let my lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." He answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

Luke 11: 1-13

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." So he said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, may your name be revered as holy.
May your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything out of friendship, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

L: The Word of the Lord

P: Thanks be to God

****Hymn of Response- (insert)***The Lord's Prayer***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*I've Got Peace Like a River/Standin' In the Need of Prayer*

arr. M. McDonald

Romans 5:1: *Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

"I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river, I've got peace like a river in my soul.
I've got joy like a river, I've got joy like a river, I've got joy like a river in my soul. I've got joy
like a river, I've got joy like a river, I've got joy like a river in my soul."
(traditional African-American spiritual, year unknown; public domain)

Philippians 4:6: *Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.*

"It's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer; It's me, it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer.
Not my brother, not my sister, but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer; not my brother, not my sister,
but it's me, O Lord, standin' in the need of prayer."
(traditional African-American spiritual, year unknown; public domain)

(this piano solo: Lorenz Publishing, 2018)

****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!

Prayers of Thanksgiving with the Lords' Prayer (using "debts")

SENDING

Hymn - 465

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

****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)

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Announcements and Upcoming Events



Welcome!

Rev. Dr. Renee L Mackey was born and raised in the Midwest and taught school in Denver, Colorado where she earned her Master's Degree in Library Science. God then called her into ministry first as a Ruling Elder and then as a Teaching Elder. Dr. Mackey served three churches, one in Iowa and two in Maryland. She received her Doctor of Ministry Degree from Austin Theological Presbyterian Seminary and served Baltimore Presbytery as Moderator. She was honored to represent the Presbytery at the 221st General Assembly as Commissioner and is now serving in various church leadership roles. It is a joy to worship with you this morning.

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

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.

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



Who's Who in the Pews: An occasional feature from the Membership and Hospitality Committee to help worshipers get to know one another.

Don And Pam Mitchell

Don and Pam Mitchell joined CMPC in January 1983 and have been married for more than 55 years. After the couple moved to the East Coast from Oxnard, CA, they lived for a brief time in Mayo, a town in Anne Arundel County, before moving to Columbia.

The Mitchells still reside in the same house they bought over 45 years ago in the neighborhood of Macgill's Common.

Don continues to work as a combat system engineer and is semi-retired. His hobby is gardening. Pam enjoys working with the preschoolers in LOGOS and Vacation Bible School.

Don has served several terms as an Elder on the Personnel Committee. He also served on the Pastor Nominating Committee that nominated Scott Hoffman in 2011 and on the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee that nominated Craig Barton in 2005.

He has held leadership positions in the all three 3-year capital campaigns, which kicked off in 2016 and came to a close at the end of 2024.

The couple have two children, Liz and Jeff, and two granddaughters. Among their favorite CMPC memories are the weddings of both of their kids at the church.



CMPC's CARE Group ministry is sponsoring our 4th Food Collection for the Oakland Mills High School (OMHS) Food Pantry. The Food Pantry currently serves approximately 80 families and is supported primarily through donations.

We will begin **accepting donations Sunday, July 27th through Sunday, August 24th**, 2025. All items will be delivered to OMHS the week of August 25th.

This collection will assist OMHS in restocking their pantry after having to empty it out completely over the summer for building renovations. The foods listed are suggestions which are always appreciated.

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

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. If you have any questions, please contact Markita Garner, Cindy Pettit, or Sandi Chapasko.

Thank you in advance for your support!

Orioles Game

CMPC through the Fellowship Committee has arranged for a block of 30 tickets to attend the Orioles/Mariners game on Tuesday evening, August 12th at 6:30pm. The special occasion is Christian Faith Night at Camden Yards, and features a special Christian music concert immediately following the game at no additional charge with seating behind home plate (attendance optional).

Tickets are available on a first come, first served basis at a special rate of \$18.70 per ticket . For additional information and/or to reserve your ticket(s) please contact Tom Engle at dpgroove@hotmail.com or text 410-533-1057.

All are welcome for a summer evening of fellowship and fun at the ballpark!



Save the Date: Church picnic Sunday, September 14 immediately following the Service. More details to follow!

Let Us Build a House

All Are Welcome

Capo 3: (A7) (D) (A) (D) (G) (A) (Bm)
C7 F C F B^b C Dm

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can
 2 Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, and words are
 3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter,
 4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the
 5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and

(D) (A) (D) (Bm7) (Em) (A)
F C F Dm7 Gm C

safe - ly live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell
 strong and true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek
 wine, and wheat; a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground
 wood and stone to heal and strength-en, serve and teach,
 vi - sions heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed

(Em) (A7) (G) (D) (F#m) (Bm)
Gm C7 B^b F Am Dm

how hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
 to dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
 where peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
 and live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
 as words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

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

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the
 wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as
 Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we
 strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us
 laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace; let this

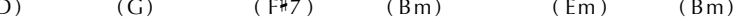
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Although it was written for a church dedication, this text is not about a physical structure but a spiritual one. The building is at best only a vessel for the essential love and hope, life and faith, peace and justice, hospitality and nurture that form the worshipping community.

THE CHURCH

Refrain

(D) (G) (F#7) (Bm) (Em) (Bm)
F B \flat A7 Dm Gm Dm

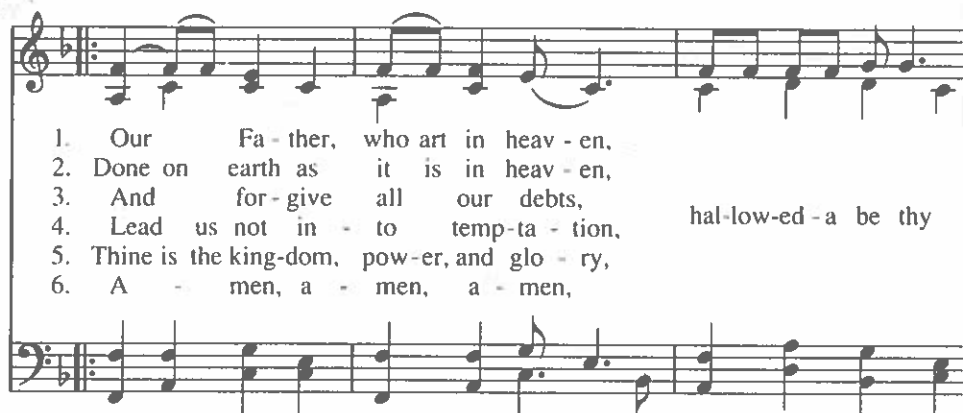


love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
 one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
 share in Christ the feast that frees us: all are wel - come;
 bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
 house pro-claim from floor to raf - ter:

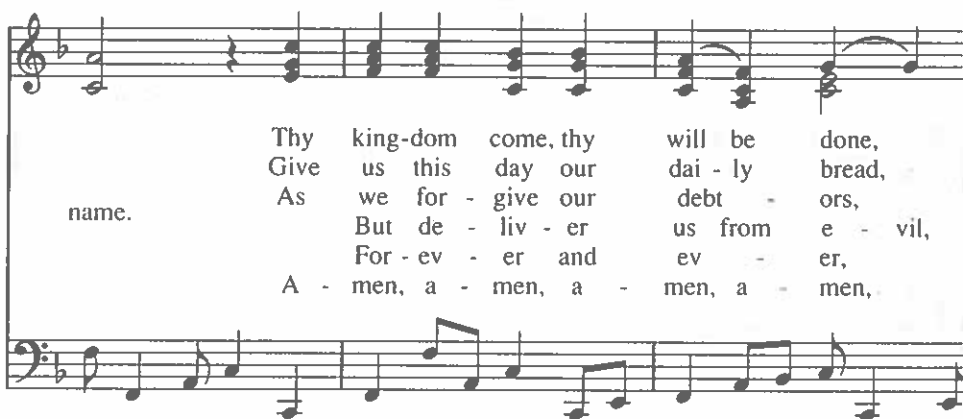
(F#m) (Em) (D) (Em) (A7) (D) (G) (D)
Am Gm F Gm C7 F B^b F

all are wel - come; all are wel - come in this place.

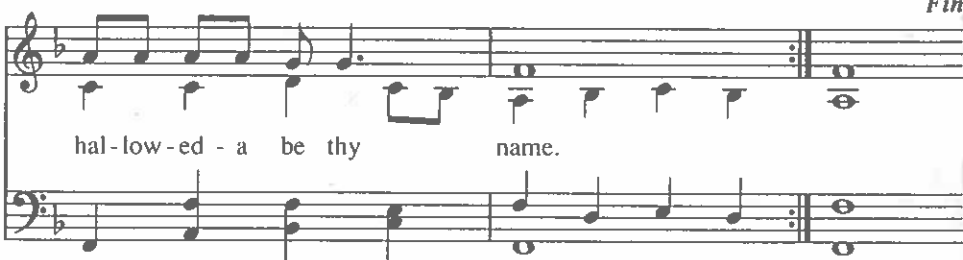
180 The Lord's Prayer (West Indian)



1. Our Fa-ther, who art in heav-en,
 2. Done on earth as it is in heav-en,
 3. And for-give all our debts,
 4. Lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, hal-low-ed-a be thy
 5. Thine is the king-dom, pow-er, and glo-ry,
 6. A-men, a-men, a-men,



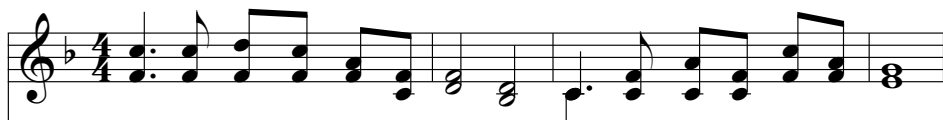
name.
 Thy king-dom come, thy will be done,
 Give us this day our dai-ly bread,
 As we for-give our debt-ors,
 But de-liv-er us from e-vil,
 For-ev-er and ev-er,
 A-men, a-men, a-men, a-men,



hal-low-ed-a be thy name. *Fin*

465 What a Friend We Have in Jesus

죄짐맡은 우리구주



1 What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
 2 Have we tri - als and temp-ta - tions? Is there trou-ble an - y-where?
 3 Are we weak and heav - y lad - en, cum-bere'd with a load of care?



What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 We should nev - er be dis-cour-aged; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge; take it to the Lord in prayer!



O what peace we of - ten for - feit; O what need-less pain we bear,
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful who will all our sor-rows share?
 Do thy friends de-spise, for-sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!



all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - ery-thing to God in prayer!
 Je - sus knows our ev - ery weak-ness; take it to the Lord in prayer!
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so-lace there.



This text was written by an Irish-born immigrant to Canada to comfort his mother in Ireland when she was going through a time of special sorrow. The role of prayer as a source of strength and consolation is underscored by its repeated use as a rhyme word in all three stanzas.