



CHRIST MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Easter Sunday
April 5, 2026

GATHERING

Prelude

“At the Cross”

Ralph E. Hudson

Arranged by Lily Topolski. 2020 Lily Topolski Music.

“My Tribute/To God Be The Glory”

Allison Miller, solo

A. Crouch

Communique Music, 1971

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Janna VanderWoude

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

L: The Lord is risen!

P: The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

****Call to Worship**

Liturgist Sue Ashman

L: Come! Something has happened!

P: We don't understand, but we will come and see.

L: Look! He is not here!

P: We don't understand, but we will come and see.

L: Listen! He calls our name...

P: We have seen the Lord!

L: Alleluia, Christ is risen!

All: He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

****Hymn -245**

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

The Water is Poured, and we Celebrate Resurrection

Resurrection Day Prayer

L: We came early,

P: but you were up earlier, leaving death behind and leaving us wondering.

L: Somehow your presence is marked by absence

**P: and we look in awe at your mysterious glory,
even as you call our name and change everything.**

L: As you have been raised this day, raise us with you.

from the tears of the tomb, **Raise our eyes.**

from the valley of the shadow of death, **Raise our hearts.**

from the dust and ashes of fear, **Raise our spirits.**

**P: Raise us to your new life and bring us, your family,
to come and see the new future you are preparing even now.**

**We lift our voices in praise and wonder, in hope and faith,
for truly, you are risen indeed.**

Alleluia! Amen.

****Response - # 240 Refrain, v.4, Refrain "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"**

Refrain: Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

**4. Come let us praise the living God
Joyfully sing to our Savior (Refrain)**

GROWING IN GOD'S WORD

Word in Music

"Hallelujah Chorus "
from "The Messiah"

GF Handel
G. Schirmer, 1921

Time for All God's Children

Sarah Trodden

**Please note that any children who come forward to the chancel will likely be seen on the worship livestream.*

There is no Sunday Experience today. Children should stay with their families.

Prayer for Illumination

Liturgist Sue Ashman

Psalm Text for the Day

Psalm 118:17-24

Gospel Text for the Day

John 20:1-18 CEB

L: The Word of the Lord.

P: Thanks be to God

Sermon

"Depending on your Perspective"

Rev. VanderWoude

Hymn of Response - # 240 v. 1-3 "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks"

Affirmation of Faith (from a Brief Statement of Faith, PC-USA, 1983)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Prayers of the People Concluding with the Lord's Prayer, Hymnal, p. 35

EUCCHARIST—OUR GRATITUDE AND TRUST IN GOD'S PROMISES

Invitation to the Offering

Liturgist Sue Ashman

Offertory

"I Believe"

by Phil Wickham/ arr. Daniel Galbraith

We invite you to use the time of the Offertory to reflect and to pray silently, offering thanks for God's goodness, and commitment of ourselves for declaring that the God who creates also re-creates. making all things new.

****Doxology- #232 v.4**

**"Jesus Christ is Risen Today"
Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
praise eternal as God's love. Alleluia!
Praise our God, you heavenly host, Alleluia!
Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!**

****Prayer of Dedication and Discipleship**

Liturgist Sue Ashman

SENDING

Hymn – #238

"Thine is the Glory"

Blessing and Charge

Postlude

"The Strife Is Over"

Giovanni da Palestrina
arranged by Alyona Korotkova
2020 Micahel Kravchuk

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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!

Thank you to Zoe Kim and John Kim for providing audio support this week!
Thank you to Neil Danzig for operating the sanctuary cameras this week!

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Texts for the Week

Gospel Reading John 21:1-18

Early in the morning of the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. ² She ran to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they've put him." ³ Peter and the other disciple left to go to the tomb. ⁴ They were running together, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and was the first to arrive at the tomb. ⁵ Bending down to take a look, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he didn't go in. ⁶ Following him, Simon Peter entered the tomb and saw the linen cloths lying there. ⁷ He also saw the face cloth that had been on Jesus' head. It wasn't with the other clothes but was folded up in its own place. ⁸ Then the other disciple, the one who arrived at the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. ⁹ They didn't yet understand the scripture that Jesus must rise from the dead. ¹⁰ Then the disciples returned to the place where they were staying.

¹¹ Mary stood outside near the tomb, crying. As she cried, she bent down to look into the tomb. ¹² She saw two angels dressed in white, seated where the body of Jesus had been, one at the head and one at the foot. ¹³ The angels asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?"

She replied, "They have taken away my Lord, and I don't know where they've put him." ¹⁴ As soon as she had said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she didn't know it was Jesus.

¹⁵ Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who are you looking for?"

Thinking he was the gardener, she replied, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him and I will get him."

¹⁶ Jesus said to her, "Mary."

She turned and said to him in Aramaic, "Rabbouni" (which means *Teacher*).

¹⁷ Jesus said to her, "Don't hold on to me, for I haven't yet gone up to my Father. Go to my brothers and sisters and tell them, 'I'm going up to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'"

¹⁸ Mary Magdalene left and announced to the disciples, "I've seen the Lord." Then she told them what he said to her.

Psalm 118:17-24

- ¹⁷ I won't die—no, I will live
and declare what the LORD has done.
- ¹⁸ Yes, the LORD definitely disciplined me,
but he didn't hand me over to death.
- ¹⁹ Open the gates of righteousness for me
so I can come in
and give thanks to the LORD!
- ²⁰ This is the LORD's gate;
those who are righteous enter
through it.
- ²¹ I thank you because you answered me,
because you were my saving help.
- ²² The stone rejected by the builders
is now the main foundation stone!
- ²³ This has happened because of the LORD;
it is astounding in our sight!
- ²⁴ This is the day the LORD acted;
we will rejoice and celebrate in it

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Care and Wellness Services

The Care & Wellness Committee has a mission to help members of the congregation in times of need. We would like to explain two of our services that are available.

Meal Train

Guidelines for Requesting – Meal Train is a system whereby volunteers from the congregation provide complete meals for a household when life events cause a temporary need for assistance with preparing meals. Most Meal Trains are every other day for 2 weeks or every third day for 3 weeks, adjustable depending on the need. The C&W Committee will organize short-term assistance with meals upon request for residents of any household in our congregation in which circumstances impact meal preparation: Those circumstances include:

- Death in household
- New baby in household
- Surgery, illness, hospitalization in household

If you would like to be included in the Meal Train as a volunteer to supply meals, please send your name and email to Kris Bloom. (kcbloom@verizon.net)

If you are in need of meals through Meal Train, please send your name and phone number to Kris Bloom. (kcbloom@verizon.net)

Transportation

Guidelines for Requesting: Volunteer members of the congregation can provide transportation to medical appointments or other short term urgent needs when members are temporarily unable to drive themselves.

- Passengers must be able to get into and out of a car without the driver's assistance.
- Request a few days in advance to allow us time to organize drivers.

CMPC CONCERT SERIES - VOLUME I

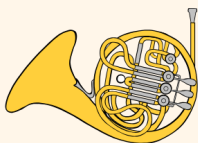
You're invited to an evening filled with beautiful live music and joyful community spirit!

Join us as **The Gallery Winds Woodwind Quintet, Jeremi Lukanus, Flute 29 Flute Choir**, and other special performers share a delightful program sure to inspire and entertain.

This **FREE** concert is the perfect way to unwind. Come sit back, listen, bring a friend and enjoy an uplifting evening of wonderful performances.

We can't wait to see you there!

Sunday, April 19th
6:30-8:30pm
CMPC Sanctuary



Spring Clean Up

May 2nd

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Rain or shine

Save the date!



2026 MUSICAL TREATS AND BOUNTIFUL SWEETS

6PM-8PM
SUNDAY, MAY 31ST
THEME: NATURE



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CMPC's CARE Group ministry is sponsoring our 5th Food Collection for the Oakland Mills High School (OMHS) Food Pantry. The Food Pantry currently serves over 100 families, an increase of 20 families in the last year, and is supported primarily through donations.

We will begin accepting donations Sunday, March 29th through Sunday, April 19th, 2026. All items will be delivered to OMHS the week of April 20th.

The items listed below are suggestions and are always appreciated.

- Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Jelly (plastic jars preferred)
- Pasta sauce (plastic jars preferred)
- Dry beans
- Snacks
- Baby wipes
- Diapers (larger sizes)



Please ensure that all donated goods are sealed and have not expired. There will be collection bins 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!

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 25th. There will likely be a "pre-build" day on the 24th to wash and prepare for exterior painting. The primary tasks are deck repair, securing railings, fixing doors & windows, and resurfacing a basement ceiling.

House Captains this year are Wes Millard (wesmillard@gmail.com) and Pete Berlowitz (pberlowitz@verizon.net). Please sign up with them via email or in person. Youth ages 14 and up are also welcomed to participate with parental consent. Please prayerfully consider participating in this rewarding and joyful event!





The Easter lilies that adorn the sanctuary today are given in memory or in honor of friends and relatives of the congregation. Those which are given in memory of loved ones are given in faith that through Christ's life, death, and resurrection those loved ones now live in peace with Him in heaven.

Given by:

Shelley and Bob Clemens

Carla Rizvi

The Gallagher Family

Membership and Hospitality

Bob and Jackie Jenkins

John, Molly, Ian, Colin and Eily

Arnold Chandi and Elisha Arnold

Debbie and Pat O'Neal

Pete, Heather, Maddon, and Haley Barham

Becky Bruce

In memory of:

Bette and Tom Watson
Alice M. Cole
Betty and Ed Cieslar
Vella and Bob Wenzel
Wayne, John, and David Clemens

Cynthia Hess

Art and Sheryl Nienhuis
Peter Gallagher

Our dear friend Leta Loring

Our parents

Jane McGinty

Gulshan Iris

Everette & Louise Carlton
Bill & Kittye O'Neal
James Neary

JoAnn Peek

Ann and Jerry Brasseaux
Don and Barbara Bruce

Given by:

Chris, Michelle, Nathan & Alison

Sue and Bob Ashman

Tom and Meg Engle

Nancy Whitelock

Keister/Trodden Family

Mr. and Mrs. Sadiq Masih

Colleen and Tim Hughes

The Dowgiewicz Family

Phil and Mary Lou Henderson

Mae and Gil Burckart

Kathi and Bruce Weinel

Thomas and Meg Engle

Linda Redding

Kris and Stu Bloom

In memory of:

Michael Slingluff

William Ashman
Richard and Joanne Scott

Loved Ones

Herb Whitelock

Doris & Bill Greco
Pat Keister

My son Salman Sadiq

Kathy Knott, Eleanor Orndorff and "BJ" Montaigne
Linda Lange, Nancy Walworth and Marylou McDonald

Gina Dowgiewicz

Pete Arnold
Ron Schlauch
Ron Laske
Eleanor Orndorff

Gilbert H and Eileen Burckart

our parents
Helen Blakey

loved ones

Louise Whitmer

Irene and George Creighton
Rita and Myron Bloom



Given by:

Jonathan and Bethany Thornhill

The Gallagher Family

Tina and Tim Helble

Chris, Michelle, Nathan and Alison

The Zordan Family

James, Zoey and Vivian

Art and Liz Perraud

Pete, Heather, Maddon, and Haley
Barham

Kris and Stu Bloom

Jim and Linda Shields

Tom and Meg Engle

Jen McClurg and George Telis

Keister/Trodden Family

In honor of:

Suzanne Thornhill
Andrew and Jenny Jillson
Carol Pearson

Judy Gallagher

Pastor Janna

Mike Whitton, Linda Whitton, and Carol Slingluff

Col. Mary Lou Spine

Debbie ONeal

our precious grandchildren
the LOGOS volunteers

Grover and Sue Barham

our 3 grandsons, Scott, Tyler and Preston Bloom

family and friends

Our beloved grandchildren
Meaghan, Bruce and Ben

John and Ellie Telis

Dee Keister



Given by:

Bob and Jackie Jenkins

Kathryn Koch

John, Molly, Ian, Colin and Eily

Debbie and Pat O'Neal

Ashlyn Sowell and Kevin Wilson

The Millards

Colleen and Tim Hughes

David and Tiffany Carmean

Jerry and Donna Ueckermann

Kim Family

Mr. and Mrs. Sadiq Masih

Suzy and Bill Crabb

In honor of:

our grandchildren

our gracious Savior

Terry McGinty
Julie McGinty
Tom and Vonnie Fieldsend
Ruthie and Bill Stone

Caroline, Joe, James, Zoey, Jessica and Vivi

Sally Berlowitz and the Bells of Joy

the beautiful music at CMPC

Our grandchildren, Hannah, Mark, Allison,
Hailey and Emily

Our parents
Our children

Our children

Families and members of CMPC

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Dean
Mr. and Mrs. Karma Masih

our grandchildren Catie, Julia, and Rachael





Christ Memorial Christian Preschool



March

Let the little children come to Me. Matthew 19:14

We are so excited to welcome spring to preschool at Christ Memorial! Our children started the month learning all about outer space and our special place in space. We welcomed all the Out of this World Dads of CMCP during this month for snack. It was wonderful to have a special time of donuts and bingo with the dads in Fellowship Hall. We ended the month learning about the wonderful time of Easter, making unique crafts and gifts for our families. The children enjoyed making Easter baskets and dyeing Easter eggs in the classrooms. We even had a surprise visitor to our rooms, although we didn't see them, the Easter Bunny filled all our baskets!



245 Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!



1 "Christ the Lord is risen to - day!"
 2 Love's re - deem - ing work is done,
 3 Lives a - gain our glo - rious King,
 4 Hail the Lord of earth and heaven! Al - le - lu - ia!

All cre - a - tion, join to say:
 Fought the fight, the bat - tle won,
 Where, O death, is now your sting?
 Praise to you by both be given, Al - le - lu - ia!

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high,
 Death in vain for - bids him rise,
 Je - sus died, our souls to save,
 Ev - ery knee to you shall bow, Al - le - lu - ia!

Sing, O heavens, and earth re - ply,
 Christ has o - pened par - a - dise.
 Where your vic - to - ry, O grave?
 Ris - en Christ, tri - um - phant now. Al - le - lu - ia!

Originally printed as eleven four-line stanzas without alleluias, this Easter text was written during the first year following the author's life-changing conversion experience, yet it already shows his enduring emphasis on the theme of love. This lively Welsh tune sets it well.

240 Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks

Descant

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Refrain E C#m F#m B

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give thanks to the ris - en Lord. Al - le -

al - le - lu - ia! Praise to his name. *Fine*

E C#m F#m B E

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Give praise to his name.

E C#m F#m B

- 1 Je - sus is Lord of all the earth.
- 2 Spread the good news o'er all the earth:
- 3 We have been cru - ci - fied with Christ.
- 4 Come let us praise the liv - ing God,

E C#m F#m B *to Refrain*

He is the King of cre - a - tion.
 Je - sus has died and has ris - en.
 Now we shall live for - ev - er.
 joy - ful - ly sing to our Sav - ior.

This text and tune were created together in the context of an ecumenical, charismatic, missionary Christian community in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Their energy and emphasis center in the opening and closing refrain's "Alleluia"—the essential Easter word of proclamation.

238 Thine Is the Glory

1 Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing Son; end - less is
 2 Lo! Je - sus meets us, ris - en from the tomb; lov - ing - ly
 3 No more we doubt thee, glo - rious Prince of life! Life is naught

the vic-tory thou o'er death hast won. An - gels in bright rai-ment
 he greets us, scat-ters fear and gloom. Let the church with glad-ness
 with-out thee; aid us in our strife. Make us more than con-querors

rolled the stone a - way, kept the fold - ed grave - clothes
 hymns of tri - umph sing, for the Lord now liv - eth;
 through thy death-less love; bring us safe through Jor - dan

Refrain

where thy bod - y lay.
 death hath lost its sting. Thine is the glo - ry, ris - en, con-quer-ing
 to thy home a - bove.

This Easter text, first in French and later in English, was written to fit the music, a chorus created for Handel's oratorio *Joshua* and moved to *Judas Maccabeus* in 1751. It grew widely popular following its use at the First Assembly of the World Council of Churches in 1948.

JESUS CHRIST: RESURRECTION

Son; end - less is the vic - tory thou o'er death hast won.

The image shows a musical score for a vocal piece. It consists of two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat) and a common time signature (C). The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics are written below the vocal staff. The music features a vocal line with various note values and rests, and a piano accompaniment with chords and moving lines. The piece concludes with a double bar line.