Christ Presbyterian PCA[®] Church

Saturday, October 10, 2020 5:00pm Sunday, October 11, 2020 11:00am

Welcome

We're glad you're with us today. Whether you're worshiping with us in person or online, for the first time or are a regular part of our family, we hope that this worship service enables you to see the beauty of Jesus Christ.

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Call to Worship – Psalm 145

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

All: Every day I will praise you, and extol your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; His greatness one can fathom.

Leader: The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

All: He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; He hears their cry and saves them. My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise His name for ever and ever.

Prayer of Adoration (Concluded by the Lord's Prayer)

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Who is Like the Lord our God?

Our Father, He lifts from the ashes He raises the poor and the lost; He seats them to dine at his table, To feast without money or cost. The lonely he settles in families The barren, a mother he makes; O happy the heart of the stranger Who's welcomed by this King of Grace.

Refrain: Who is like the LORD our God? Who with glory fills the sky? But humbles himself with the broken to dwell Who is like our God? Though equal to God in His glory, Christ Jesus became like a slave; He humbled himself in obedience To Death, and the Cross, and the Grave. Victorious, he rose to the highest; In glory, the Savior was raised. His name above all names exalted; The heavens and earth sing His praise

(Refrain)

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O Saints, fix your eyes on the Savior And count all your righteousness lost. Be found in his love and his favor, And share in his death on the cross. That all of his power in victory, Imparted to you, may abound; And sharing the suff'rings of Jesus, You share in his glory and crown

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Scripture Reading — Isaiah 59:1-2

Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God.

Confession of Sin

Leader: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you created all things.

All: In the beginning, you created us to be loved by you and to love you in return. Yet, foolishly, we have turned inward and loved ourselves foremost.

Leader: In the beginning, you invested us with power to rule your creation. Rather than exercise true dominion, we chose to use our power for selfish gain.

All: By your grace and mercy, forgive us. Make us aware of our abuse of power, and empower us to turn to the gospel. By your Spirit, transform us into the image of our true King, Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. Amen.

Private Confession

Words of Encouragement — Colossians 1:21-22

Leader: And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

All: Through union with Christ in His death and resurrection, I am now holy, blameless, and beyond accusation!

More Love to Thee

More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee! Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee; This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee, More love to thee, More love to thee!

Once earthly joy I craved, sought peace and rest; Now thee alone I seek, give what is best; This all my prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to thee, More love to thee, More love to thee! Let sorrow do its work, send grief and pain; Sweet are thy messengers, sweet their refrain, When they can sing with me: more love, O Christ, to thee, More love to thee, More love to thee!

Then shall my latest breath whisper thy praise; This be the parting cry my heart shall raise; This still its prayer shall be: more love, O Christ, to thee, More love to thee, More love to thee!

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COVID Relief Testimonial by Jordan Weaver

Sermon: Made and Remade by the Triune God

Scripture Reading – Genesis 1:1-3

¹ In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. ³ And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light.

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Christ Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who actively trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, who are willing to forsake their sin, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel, to receive the Holy Communion with us. Baptized children are welcome to receive Communion after they profess faith and are received as communicant members. If you are not able to receive Communion, please speak with Pastor Matt after the service to learn how to receive Jesus Christ.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, That in thine ocean depths its flow May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee; My heart restores its borrowed ray, That in thy sunshine's blaze its day May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, And feel the promise is not vain, That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, And from the ground there blossoms red Life that shall endless be.

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Benediction

Announcements

- If this is your first time visiting, please know that Pastor Matt and his wife Katy host monthly desserts to welcome newcomers. If you want to learn more about CPC, then please connect with Pastor Matt after the service or by email at <u>pastor@christ-pca.org</u>.
- Several families have inquired about childcare during the Saturday evening service. Childcare will be provided beginning on Saturday, November 7. We aim to have four childcare workers present. Children will need to wear masks. The children will play outside so please remember to bring a jacket.
- 3. Community Group leaders and hosts, do you need babysitters? If so, please contact our new childcare coordinator at <u>Tamika.Ampy@christ-pca.org</u> and copy Pastor Matt.
- 4. Thank you to those who donated 1,068 diapers this week to help families who have lost their jobs due to COVID. Unemployment in Maryland is 7%. This is down from 10% in the summer, but it is still double from pre-COVID. We will continue to shuttle donations to Germantown Help and the Silver Spring food pantry each week. Volunteers are needed on Tuesdays from 3-5pm to distribute food donations. Please contact Pastor Matt if you're interested.
- 5. Several folks have expressed interested in inviting family members and friends to the online youth group. Youth Group is now meeting every Sunday at 10:00am. Feel free to forward the Zoom link to family and friends.
- 6. For several years, Pastor Matt has included devotional materials in the weekly Connection newsletter. However, since Jeannine Shannon will soon be transitioning in her role as Operations Director, these devotional materials will be posted through our Facebook page: <u>https://www.facebook.com/cpcgermantown</u>
- The member who oversees the recording and posting of our online worship service will be away the weekend of October 17-18. Thus, there will be in-person worship on Saturday, October 17, but the service recording will not be available on October 18.

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