

Worship of the Living GodAugust 9, 2026

PreludeAs we quiet our hearts for worship, please silence all phones and electronic devices.

Announcements and WelcomePastor Steven Clark

Adoration of God

CongregationI Have Decided To Follow Jesus

I have decided to follow Jesus
I have decided to follow Jesus
I have decided to follow Jesus
No turning back, no turning back

The world behind me, the cross before me
The world behind me, the cross before me
The world behind me, the cross before me
No turning back, no turning back

Tho’ none go with me, still I will follow,
Tho’ none go with me, still I will follow,
Tho’ none go with me, still I will follow,
No turning back, no turning back

Call to WorshipPastor Travis Brown

Psalm 24:7-10
Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!
Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The Lord of hosts, He is the King of glory! Selah

Invocation

Declaration of TruthWestminster Shorter Catechism
Question and Answer 22
Leader: How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

All: Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to Himself a true body and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.

Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen

The Gloria Patri’s first line was sung in the church as early as the 2nd century to affirm that God is Triune. The second line was added in the 4th century to emphasize the eternal Deity of Jesus, refuting the Arian heresy that Jesus was not eternally God.

Hymn of PraiseLift High The Cross#263
Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
Till all the world adore His sacred name.

Come brethren follow where our Savior trod
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
The hosts of God in conqu'ring ranks combine.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As Thou hast promised, draw men unto Thee.

Thy kingdom come, that earth's despair may cease
Beneath the shadow of its healing peace.

For Thy blest cross which doth for us atone,
Creation's praises rise before Thy throne.

Pastoral Prayer and Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon
1 Peter 2:24
He Himself bore our sins in His body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By His wounds you have been healed.

Our Gifts to God

Receiving God’s Tithes and Our Offerings
Please sign and pass the Sunday Register in the hymnal rack.

The Gift of MusicRise AgainBrass

The Doxology and Prayer
Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Hymn of TestimonyJesus, I My Cross Have Taken
(Children ages three through 3rd grade may be escorted to Children’s Church)
Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow Thee;
Destitute, despised, forsaken, Thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known;
yet how rich is my condition, God and heav'n are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior too;
human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like man, untrue;
and, while Thou shalt smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,
foes may hate and friends may shun me; show Thy face, and all is bright.

Man may trouble and distress me, 'twill but drive me to Thy breast;
life with tri-als hard may press me, heav'n will bring me sweet-er rest.
O 'tis not in grief to harm me while Thy love is left to me;
O 'twere not in joy to charm me, were that joy unmixed with Thee.

Take, my soul, Thy full salvation, rise o'er sin and fear and care;
joy to find in ev'ry station something still to do or bear;
think what Spirit dwells within thee, what a Father's smile is Thine,
what a Savior died to win thee: child of heav'n shouldst thou repine?

Hasten on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;
heav'n's eternal day's before thee, God's own hand shall guide thee there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, swift shall pass thy pilgrim days;
hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

Proclaiming the Word of God

Reading of God’s WordMark 8:27-38 (pew Bible pg. 803/844)
The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.
Isaiah 40:8

Prayer of Illumination

SermonSeeing ClearlyPastor Steven Clark

Our Response

Prayer of Application

Hymn of ResponseIn Christ Alone
In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,

Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,

When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all— here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on him was laid— here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay, light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am his and he is mine— bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death— this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand;
Till he returns or calls me home— here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC August 9

8:30am

Ushers

Anthony Watkins, Ryan Watkins, Daniel Lingerfelt, Hipolito Tavarez, Steven Lingerfelt, Walker Gossage

Infants/Toddlers

Sarah and Harper Cox

3s & 4s

James and Stephanie Jones

K-2nd Grade

Laurie Martin

Junior Assistants

Sophia Eaton and Susannah Eaton

11am

Ushers

Mark Lane, Bo Porter, John Kapustay, Jeff Eichler, Morris Bingham, Doug Whitlock

Infants/Toddlers

Eric and Emily Jackson

3s & 4s

Jamie Huff

K-2nd Grade

Nancy Burkhart

Junior Assistants

Paul Burkhart, Marion-Elise Huff, and Reagan Huff

This Week at CMPC

Sunday

8:30am, 11am

Worship Services

10am

Sunday School

6:30pm

Sunday Evening Worship Service

Wednesday

5:30pm

Wednesday Night Alive

Meal:

Pork Tenderloin

Mac and Cheese

Rolls

Banana Pudding

(Corn Dogs for kids)

Sign up for the meal by Monday

at cmpca.org or in the Welcome Center!

6pm

Orchestra

6:30pm

Choir and WNA Classes



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CMPC Supported Missions
Unless otherwise indicated, all missionaries are with *Mission to the World*

Asia/Australia/New Zealand
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Unreached Peoples
Last names and locations withheld due to the sensitive nature of their situations.
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