

Worship of the Living GodOctober 25, 2026

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

Announcements and WelcomePastor Steven Clark

Adoration of God

CongregationOur God Reigns
How lovely on the mountains are the feet of him
Who brings good news, good news
Announcing peace, proclaiming news of happiness.
Our God reigns; our God reigns!

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Call to WorshipPastor Travis Brown

Psalm 50:1–4, 7, 10-11, 15
The Mighty One, God the Lord,
speaks and summons the earth
from the rising of the sun to its setting.
Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,
God shines forth.
Our God comes; he does not keep silence;
before him is a devouring fire,
around him a mighty tempest.
He calls to the heavens above
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:
“Hear, O my people, and I will speak;
O Israel, I will testify against you.
I am God, your God.

For every beast of the forest is mine,
the cattle on a thousand hills.
I know all the birds of the hills,
and all that moves in the field is mine.

and call upon me in the day of trouble;
I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me.”

Invocation

Declaration of TruthRomans 13:1–7

Submission to the Authorities
Leader: Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God. Therefore whoever resists the authorities resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment.

All: For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad.

Leader: Would you have no fear of the one who is in authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive his approval, for he is God’s servant for your good. But if you do wrong, be afraid, for he does not bear the sword in vain.

All: For he is the servant of God, an avenger who carries out God’s wrath on the wrongdoer.

Leader: Therefore one must be in subjection, not only to avoid God’s wrath but also for the sake of conscience. For because of this you also pay taxes, for the authorities are ministers of God, attending to this very thing.

All: Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.

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 PraiseA Mighty Fortress Is Our God#92

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing:
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow’r are great, and, armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing,
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God’s own choosing:
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;
Lord Sabaoth, His Name, from age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed His truth to triumph through us;
The Prince of Darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
His rage we can endure, for lo, his doom is sure,
One little word shall fell him.

That word above all earthly pow’rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God’s truth abideth still,
His kingdom is forever.

Pastoral Prayer and Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon
I Timothy 1:15
The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

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 MusicTami Stroup, piano

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 TestimonyThis Is My Father’s World
(Children up through 2nd grade may be escorted to Children’s Church)
This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their maker's praise.
This is my Father's world:
He shines in all that's fair;
in the rustling grass I hear him pass;
He speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, o let me ne'er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done’
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and heav’n be one.

Proclaiming the Word of God

Reading of God’s WordMark 12:13-17 (pew Bible pg. 807/847)
The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.
Isaiah 40:8

Prayer of Illumination

SermonRender to Caesar, Render to GodPastor Steven Clark

Our Response

Prayer of Application

Hymn of ResponseRock Of Ages#499
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;
let the water and the blood from Thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow’r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's commands;
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling;
naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace;
foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,
when I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

The Benediction and The Threefold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC October 25	
<u>8:30am</u>	
Ushers	Mark Lane, Bo Porter, John Kapustay, Jeff Eichler, Morris Bingham, Doug Whitlock
Infants/Toddlers	Olivia Martin and Kim Burdette
3s & 4s	Isabella Carmosino
K-2 nd Grade	Joe and Murray Gardner
Junior Assistants	Jordan Sullivan
<u>11am</u>	
Ushers	Anthony Watkins, Ryan Watkins, Daniel Lingerfelt, Hipo Tavarez, Steven Lingerfelt, Walker Gossage
Infants/Toddlers	Audrey, Lily, and Hannah Prince
3s & 4s	John and Julie Price
K-2 nd Grade	Jamie, Marion-Elise, and Reagan Huff
Junior Assistants	
This Week at CMPC	
<u>Sunday</u>	
8:30am, 11am	Worship Services
10am	Sunday School
6:30pm	Sunday Evening Worship Service Children’s Choir Practice in Fellowship Hall
<u>Wednesday</u>	
5:30pm	Wednesday Night Alive Meal: Pizza Salad Cake with Ice Cream <i>Sign up for the meal by Monday at cmpca.org or in the Welcome Center!</i>
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*

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Last names and locations withheld due to the sensitive nature of their situations.
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