

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD**SEPTEMBER 8, 2024****GATHERING TO WORSHIP****Prelude***As we quiet our hearts for worship,
please silence all phones and electronic devices.***Announcements and Welcome**Travis Brown
Pastor to Youth**ADORATION OF GOD****The Song of Ascent***God’s people sang together as they gathered and
traveled together up to Jerusalem to worship God.***Congregation***As The Deer*As the deer panteth for the water, So my soul longeth after thee.
You alone are my heart’s desire, And I long to worship thee.Refrain:*You alone are my strength, my shield;**To you alone, may my spirit yield.**You alone are my heart’s desire, and I long to worship thee.*

I want you more than gold or silver, Only you can satisfy.

You alone are the real joy giver and the apple of my eye.

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Call to Worship

Isaiah 40:28-31

Have you not known? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable.

He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted;

but they who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength;

They shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary;

they shall walk and not faint.

Invocation**Declaration of Truth**

Psalm 62

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation.

He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be greatly shaken.

inwardly they curse. Selah

All: For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from him.**He only is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.****On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God.**

Leader: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him;

God is a refuge for us. Selah

*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 Praise***In 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.

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CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE**Mission Moment**Commissioning Linda Hutchinson
Giessen, Germany**Pastoral Prayer****OUR GIFTS TO GOD****Receiving God’s Tithes and Our Offerings***Please pass and sign the Sunday Register in the hymnal rack.***The Gift of Music***The Cross of Christ*

Choir & Orchestra

*Words & music by Tony Wood and Robert E. Nugent**Arranged by Chris McDonald and Mary McDonald*

In the lowland of my fallen heart, I could find no place of rest,

Ever climbing on the futile path of my own righteousness.

Then I fixed my gaze upon one hill and saw the sacrifice.

And grace was given there to me upon the cross of Christ.

By the cross of Christ, I am justified and free.

By the blood of Love’s pure Lamb,

I can rise as one now ransomed from the fall.

By the cross of Christ, I stand.

In the rags of my unworthiness, I approach His holy throne.

Though a slave, He takes me in His arms and claims me as His own.

I stand forgiven and reconciled.

Though once His enemy, now I’m His child.

*c. 2015 & 2019 Songs From Exit 71 (ASCAP) ARR. UBP.**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 Testimony*Come, Thou Fount**(Children ages 3 through 3rd grade may be escorted to Children’s Church)*

Come, thou Fount of ev’ry blessing, Tune my heart to sing thy grace;

Streams of mercy, never ceasing, Call for songs of loudest praise,

Teach me some melodious sonnet, Sung by flaming tongues above;

Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; Hither by thy help I'm come;

And I hope, by thy good pleasure, Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger, Wand'ring from the fold of God:

He, to rescue me from danger, Interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor Daily I'm constrained to be;

Let that grace now, like a fetter, Bind my wand'ring heart to thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, O take and seal it, Seal it for thy courts above.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD**Reading of God’s Word**

Psalm 27

All: *The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.**Isaiah 40:8***Prayer of Illumination****Sermon**

“Waiting with Confidence”

Pastor Rick Holmes

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Hymn of Response *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

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.

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC September 8

Lock-up	Terry Ensley and Andy Wald
Ushers	Norb Fichter, Dan Freeman, Tommy Gaston, Ron Marler, Randy Green, Bob Burdette, Steve Saville, Richard Conley, Ryan Conley, Michael Johnson, Sawyer Johnson, Edd Price, Paul Burkhardt
Greeters	<i>sign up at cmpca.org/greeters</i>
Infants/Toddlers	Greg and Rachelle Dobbins
Children's Church	Melissa Batusic
Junior Assistants	Allie Batusic and Grey Geist

This Week at CMPC

Sunday	
10am	Worship Services
11:15am	Town Hall Meeting
6:30pm	Sunday Evening Worship Service
Wednesday	
5:30pm	Wednesday Night Alive Meal
6:30pm	Orchestra Choir WNA Classes Nursery Youth Group



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