

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

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

This Is The Day

This is the day, this is the day
that the Lord has made, that the Lord has made;

We will rejoice, we will rejoice
and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord has made
We will rejoice and be glad in it

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord has made

Call to Worship

John 17:1-3

When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said,
“Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since
you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you
have given him. And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God,
and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

Invocation

Declaration of Truth

Heidelberg Catechism
Question and Answer 57 and 58

Leader: How does “the resurrection of the body” comfort you?

All: Not only will my soul be taken immediately after this life to Christ its head,
but also my very flesh will be raised by the power of Christ, reunited with my
soul, and made like Christ’s glorious body.

Leader: How does the article concerning “life everlasting” comfort you?

All: Even as I already now experience in my heart the beginning of eternal joy,
so after this life I will have perfect blessedness such as no eye has seen, no ear
has heard, no human heart has ever imagined: a blessedness in which to praise
God forever.

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

Christus Victor

O Most High, King of the ages Great I AM, God of wonders
By the blood you have redeemed us led us through mighty waters
Our strength, our song, our sure salvation

Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing, honor, glory, power for the battle you have won
Hallelujah, Amen

O Most High, dwelling among us, Son of Man sent for sinners
By your blood you have redeemed us spotless Lamb, mighty Savior
Who lived, who died, who rose victorious

Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing, honor, glory, power for the battle you have won, Hallelujah
With every tribe and every tongue
We join the anthem of the angels in the triumph of the Son
Hallelujah, Amen

O Most High, King of the nations robed in praise, crowned with splendor
On that day who will not tremble? When you stand, Christ the Victor
Who was, and is, and is forever

Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing, honor, glory, power for the battle you have won, Hallelujah
With every tribe and every tongue
We join the anthem of the angels in the triumph of the Son
Hallelujah, Amen

Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing, honor, glory, power for the battle you have won, Hallelujah
With every tribe and every tongue
We join the anthem of the angels in the triumph of the Son
Hallelujah, Amen
Sing the victory of the Lamb
Hallelujah, Amen, Amen

CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

MISSION MOMENT

Trey Martin, RUF Dahlonega

Pastoral Prayer and Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103:10-12

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our
iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is
his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

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 Music

Our Hope Is In Jesus

Choir & Orchestra

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

Jesus Is All The World To Me

#653

(Children ages three through 3rd grade may be escorted to Children’s Church)

Jesus is all the world to me, my life, my joy, my all;
He is my strength from day to day, without him I would fall:
When I am sad, to him I go, no other one can cheer me so;
When I am sad, he makes me glad,
He's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, my friend in trials sore;
I go to him for blessings, and he gives them o'er and o'er:
He sends the sunshine and the rain, he sends the harvest's golden grain;
Sunshine and rain, harvest of grain,
He's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, and true to him I'll be;
Oh, how could I this friend deny, when he's so true to me?
Following him I know I'm right, he watches o'er me day and night;
Following him by day and night,
He's my friend.

Jesus is all the world to me, I want no better friend;
I trust him now, I'll trust him when life's fleeting days shall end:
Beautiful life with such a friend, Beautiful life that has no end;
Eternal life, eternal joy
He's my friend.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Prayer of Illumination

Reading of God’s Word

Philippians 1:18-26

pew Bible pg. 980

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

Sermon

“Exalting Christ”

Pastor Rick Holmes

Series in Philippians: Pressing Into Maturity

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Hymn of Response

Christ, Of All My Hopes The Ground

#518

Christ, of all my hopes the ground, Christ, the spring of all my joy,
Still in you may I be found, still for you my pow'rs employ,
Still for you my pow'rs employ.

Let your love my heart inflame; keep your fear before my sight;
Be your praise my highest aim; be your smile my chief delight,
Be your smile my chief delight.

Fountain of o'erflowing grace, freely from your fullness give;
'Til I close my earthly race, may I prove it "Christ to live,"
May I prove it "Christ to live."

Firmly trusting in your blood, nothing shall my heart confound;
Safely I shall pass the flood, safely reach Immanuel's ground,
Safely reach Immanuel's ground.

Thus, O thus, an entrance give to the land of cloudless sky;
Having known it "Christ to live," let me know it "gain to die,"
Let me know it "gain to die."

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC September 28	
Lock-up	Robert Martin and Mike Peifer
8:30am	
Ushers	Jeff Widstrom, Alex Widstrom, William Williams, Seth Penland, Brian McRae, Jake Braselton, Ken Gary
Greeters	Debbie Rumbold
Infants/Toddlers	Joe and Murray Gardner
Children’s Church	Chuck and Deb Eidson
Junior Assistants	
11am	
Ushers	Kim Reed, Milton Turk, Roger Smith, Bill McBride, David Warner
Greeters	<i>sign up to be a greeter at cmpca.org/greeters</i>
Infants/Toddlers	Beth Arms and Rebecca Phillips
Children’s Church	Melissa Batusic
Junior Assistants	Allie Batusic and Joshua Phillips

This Week at CMPC	
Sunday	
8:30am, 11am	Worship Services
10am	Sunday School
5pm	Handbell Practice
6:30pm	Sunday Evening Worship Service Children’s Choir practice in the CLC
Wednesday	Wednesday Night Alive
5:30pm	Meal: Chicken Tenders, Potato Casserole, Salad, Rolls, Brownies with Ice Cream <i>Sign up by Monday at cmpca.org or in the Welcome Center!</i>
6:00pm	Orchestra
6:30pm	Choir WNA Classes Nursery Youth Group



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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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