

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

APRIL 7, 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

Our 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!

Refrain: *Our God reigns; our God reigns! x2*

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Call to Worship

Psalm 29:1-2 and 10-11

Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.
The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless^[d] his people with peace!

Invocation

Declaration of Truth

Heidelberg Catechism
Q &A #29

Leader: What do you believe when you say: “I believe in God the Father,
Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth”?

**All: That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing
created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules
them by his eternal counsel and providence,
is my God and Father because of Christ his Son.**

**I trust him so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for
body and soul,
and he will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this sad world.**

**He is able to do this because he is almighty God;
he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.**

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

Our God Our Help In Ages Past

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

Under the shadow of your throne your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood or earth received her frame,
from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night before the rising sun.

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come:
O be our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.

CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

Mission Moment

Annual Church Work Day

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

*Adagio
Bach*

Esme and Mark Toth

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.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30PM
Tonight Steven Clark will look at
“The Signs and Seasons: Have You Lost Track of Time?”
in Luke 21:25-37 in our ongoing series from
Luke, *Becoming Certain About the Story.*

Hymn of Testimony

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

#32

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

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not;
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Refrain : *Great is Thy faithfulness! (2)*

Morning by morning new mercies I see.

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided;

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

Reading of God’s Word

Daniel 1:1-31

Pew Bible, p. 737

All: *The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God will stand forever.*

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon

“The Decision ”

Pastor Rick Holmes

OUR RESPONSE

Prayer of Application

Hymn of Response

Psalm 78:1-8

O ye my people, to my law attentively give ear;
The words that from my mouth proceed incline yourselves to hear.
My mouth shall speak a parable, the sayings dark of old,
Which we have listened to and know as by our fathers told

We will not hide them from their sons but tell the race to come
Jehovah's praises and His strength, the wonders He has done.
His word He unto Jacob gave, his law to Is-ra-el,
And bade our fathers teach their sons the coming race to tell,

That children yet unborn might know and their descendants lead
To trust in God, recall God's works and His commandments heed,
And not be like their fathers were, a race of stubborn mood,
Which never would prepare its heart nor keep its faith with God.

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC April 7

Lock-up	Dennis Swinehart and Mike Piefer
Ushers	Don Shanks, Chuck Eidson, Eric Tucker, Marty Moore, Charles Vanderbilt
Greeters	Sarah Booker
Infants/Toddlers	John and Becky Batusic
Children's Church	Laurie Martin
Junior Assistants	
11am	
Ushers	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	Connie Parks and Linda Hutchinson
Children's Church	Steve Saville
Junior Assistants	Natalie and Caroline Hammond

6:30pm

Nursery

This Week at CMPC

Sunday	
8:30am, 11am	Worship Services
10am	Sunday School
4:30pm	Handbell Practice
6:15pm	Kids of the Kingdom
6:30pm	Sunday Evening Worship

Wednesday

5:30pm	Wednesday Night Alive Meal
6:30pm	Orchestra Choir WNA Classes Nursery Youth Group



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Session

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East Africa: Donna • *Kenya:* Sherwood & Bethany Griggs, Anaweza

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