WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD April 21, 2024

GATHERING TO WORSHIP Prelude

As we quiet our hearts for worship, please silence all electronic devices.

Announcements and Welcome

Dee Hammond,
Pastor of Missions

ADORATION OF GOD Call to Worship

Psalm 33:1-5

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Shout for joy in the LORD, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright. Give thanks to the LORD with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings! Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts. For the word of the LORD is upright and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the LORD.

Invocation

Declaration of Truth

Westminster Confession of Faith Shorter Catechism, questions 7 & 8

Leader: What are the decrees of God?

All: The decrees of God are his eternal purpose, according to the counsel of his will, whereby, for his own glory, he hath foreordained whatsoever comes to pass.

Leader: How doth God execute his decrees?

All: God executeth his decrees in the works of creation and providence.

Hymn of Praise Holy, Holy, Holy!

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,

Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide thee,

Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,

Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee

Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth and sky and sea;

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!

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EVENING SERVICE 6:30PM

Tonight, the *Kids of the Kingdom* will present the musical, *Cross Country* in the Covenant Life Center! Please bring finger food to the performance if you are willing. **OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

Gift of Music He Was Wounded For Our Transgressions Brass

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Today's Word and Deed offering will be used to meet needs in our community. *Please sign and pass the Sunday Register in the hymnal rack.*

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, Behold the Wondrous Mystery (Children ages 3 through 3rd grade may be escorted to Children's Church)

Come behold the wondrous mystery

In the dawning of the King

He the theme of heaven's praises

Robed in frail humanity

In our longing, in our darkness

Now the light of life has come

Look to Christ, who condescended

Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous mystery

He the perfect Son of Man

In His living, in His suffering

Never trace nor stain of sin

See the true and better Adam

Come to save the hell-bound man

Christ the great and sure fulfillment

Of the law; in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous mystery
Christ the Lord upon the tree

In the stead of ruined sinners

Hangs the Lamb in victory

See the price of our redemption

See the Father's plan unfold

Bringing many sons to glory

Grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery Slain by death the God of life

But no grave could e'er restrain Him

Praise the Lord; He is alive!

What a foretaste of deliverance

How unwavering our hope

Christ in power resurrected

As we will be when he comes

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THE WORD AND THE SACRAMENT

Reading of God's WordDaniel 1:1-21 pew bible p. 735 **All: The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God will stand forever.**

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon "The Surprising Faithfulness of God"

Series: Living as Exiles Pastor I

Pastor Rick Holmes

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The Invitation to the Lord's Table: Those who have not yet come to the place in their lives of trusting Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord are requested to let the elements pass. Please use this time to read Isaiah 53 (p. 613 in the pew Bible) asking God to show you the glory of his Son Jesus Christ. If you are unsure about your relationship with Christ, please see a member of the pastoral staff or one of the elders after the service.

Confession of Sin and Assurance of Forgiveness

Hymn of Preparation When I Survey the Wondrous Cross #252 When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died; my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ, my God; all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown.

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small; love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

Receiving the Bread and Cup: For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes. —I Corinthians 11:26

Please note: the bread is gluten-free. Our custom is we take each element in unison after everyone has been served.

OUR RESPONSE

Hymn of CelebrationAll Hail the Power
All hail the power of Jesus' Name! Let angels prostrate fall;

Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown him Lord of all: Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng We at his feet may fall; We'll join the everlasting song, And crown him Lord of all: We'll join the everlasting song, And crown him Lord of all.

The Benediction and Three-fold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC April 21

Lock-up Dennis Swinehart and Mike Piefer

Ushers Jeff Widstrom, Alex Widstrom, Herbert Williams,

Jackie Southern, Gary Lewis, Jake Braselton

Greeters sign up at cmpca.org/greeters

Infants/Toddlers **Emily Martin and Marie Tiano**

Children's Church Jason Wallis

Junior Assistants

11am

Andy Wald, Kim Reed, Caleb Wald, Stephen Wald, Ushers

Benjamin Wald

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Infants/Toddlers Charlotte Owens and Beth Arms

Children's Church Melissa Batusic

Jacob and Allie Batusic **Junior Assistants**

6:30pm

Nursery

This Week at CMPC

Sunday

8:30am, 11am **Worship Services**

10am Sunday School

Kids of the Kingdom perform 6:30pm

Cross Country in the CLC

Wednesday

5:30pm Wednesday Night Alive

6:30pm

Meal

Orchestra Choir **WNA Classes** Nurserv Youth Group



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