WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD DECEMBER 28, 2025

**Prelude**As we quiet our hearts for worship, please silence all phones and electronic devices.

Announcements and Welcome Pastor Steven Clark

**ADORATION OF GOD** 

Call to Worship Isaiah 40:10-11

Behold, the Lord God comes with might, and his arm rules for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.

He will tend his flock like a shepherd; he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Invocation

**Declaration of Truth**Westminster Shorter Catechism
Question & Answer 1

Leader: What is the chief end of man?

All: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him 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**Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in his hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand? Kings and nations tremble at his voice All creation rises to rejoice

Behold our God seated on his throne Come, let us adore him Behold our King—nothing can compare Come, let us adore him

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of his words?
Who can teach the One who knows all things?
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds?

Behold our God seated on his throne

Come, let us adore him

Behold our King—nothing can compare

Come, let us adore him

Who has felt the nails upon his hands?
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal, humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign
Behold our God seated on his throne

Come, let us adore him

Behold our King—nothing can compare

Come, let us adore him

(Men) You will reign forever (Women) Let Your glory fill the earth

**Pastoral Prayer and Confession of Sin** 

**Assurance of Pardon** 

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**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

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** *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* 

(Children ages three 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.

Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

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 Luke 12:22-34

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

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Pastor Travis Brown

**OUR RESPONSE** 

Prayer of Application

**Hymn of Response** On Jordan's Stormy Banks

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand,

And cast a wishful eve

To Canaan's fair and happy land,

Where my possessions lie.

I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound for promised land,

All o'er those wide extended plains,

Shines one eternal day;

There God the Son forever reigns,

And scatters night away.

I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound for promised land,

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath

Can reach that healthful shore;

Sickness, sorrow, pain and death,

Are felt and feared no more.

I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound for promised land,

ram bound for promised land,

When shall I reach that happy place,

And be forever blessed?

When shall I see my Father's face,

And in his bosom rest?

I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound (I am bound)

I am bound for promised land,

The Benediction and Threefold Amen

## **Serving Christ at CMPC December 28**

**Lock-up** Glen Huff and Mike Johnson

8:30am

Ushers Mark Lane, Bo Porter, John Kapustay, Jeff Eichler,

Morris Bingham, Doug Whitlock

Greeters sign up to be a greeter at cmpca.org/greeters

Infants/Toddlers Charlotte Owens and Becky Batusic

Children's Church Laurie Martin

Junior Assistants Jordan Sullivan

<u>11am</u>

Ushers Anthony Watkins, Ryan Watkins, Daniel Lingerfelt,

Hipolito Tavarez, Cristopher Rodriguez, Cristian Rodri-

guez

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Infants/Toddlers David and Bethany Batusic

Children's Church Kayanne Staub

Junior Assistants Emma Prince, Norah Nelson, and Hayes Palman

#### This Week at CMPC

<u>Sunday</u>

8:30am, 11am Worship Services

9:35-9:55am P 10am

Prayer in the Parlor for our Pastor and for CMPC

Sunday School

Installation and Ordination Service on January 4 at 6:30pm

Wednesday Night Alive resumes on January 4 Sunday Evening Worship Services resumes on January 11





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Scott Allen • Bob Bishop • Bryan Cox • Glen Huff • Andy Jobson • Dave Martin

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