This Sunday at CMPC...

This Sunday we continue in our series from Revelation: Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow, as Pastor John looks at Revelation 19.11-16 and *Ready for Battle*. We also celebrate the Lord's Supper. After each morning worship service we will have a congregational meeting. The meetings will only take a few minutes. The purpose of the meeting is to approve the sale of residential property donated to the church. Then on Sunday evening Pastor Ben continues our look at *Luke: Becoming Certain About the Story*, focusing on 13.22-35.

Please be in prayer for Pastor Dee as he participates in the service this Sunday morning to "particularize" Christ the King PCA in Braselton. Dee is part of the commission from Georgia Foothills Presbytery. We rejoice in this milestone for CTK as they become an organized church. Pray also for Pastor Travis, who will be preaching at Open Door Community Church PCA in Duluth.

Our hymns Sunday celebrate our great champion, Jesus, who leads us into battle. Our hymn of praise will be *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*. This classic hymn was written in 1779 by Edward Perronet (1726-1792), who was born in Sundridge, England, and died in Canterbury. His family came from French Huguenots living in Switzerland, and he was a close associate of John and Charles Wesley. Our hymn of testimony will be *His Robes for Mine*, a new hymn written in 2008.

Our hymn of preparation for the table will be *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*, written by Helen Lemmel in 1918. She wrote it after reading about Lilias Trotter, a missionary first to women being trafficked in London and then to Algeria. As she responded to this call, no mission agencies would send her there or support her mission. Not deterred, she decided to still follow the call of God to Africa and go by herself. She lived among the nationals in the hiddenness of the desert there for forty years. There, in the desert, Trotter knew what it was like to be stripped from every distraction to focus upon the face of Jesus. She had laid her life down for that one purpose. While there, she wrote the poem that later inspired Helen Lemmel's hymn.

Our hymn of response will be another 21st century hymn, *Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery,* written by Matt Boswell, Michael Bleecker, and Matt Papa in 2015.

CMPC Sermon Notes ♦ Series: Revelation: Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow ♦ Text: Revelation 19.11-16 ♦ Message: Ready for Battle

- The Battle we face, Ephesians 6.12
- The last section of the sixth vision that began at 17.1
- Brand new picture of Jesus: the Champion

Heaven Opened. 11a

- Heaven opened not for John to see in as in 4.1, but for Jesus and his armies to march out
- The final battle is about to begin!
 - A spiritual battle

A white Horse, 11a

White: victoryHorse: warfare

The rider, 11b-13

- Faithful and True
 - o Faithful: fulfills everything in scripture
 - o True: he personifies truth
- Righteous judgment (present tense)
- Eyes: see and judge human hearts, not just outward appearances
 - o Fire: wrath
- Crowns: legitimacy of his authority; compare many with 12.1 & 13.1
- Name: only he knows
 - There is still mystery surrounding Jesus and his coming
 - To know a name is to control; we do not control Jesus
- Robe dipped in blood
 - Not the blood of the cross; the blood of earth's armies, cf. Isaiah 63.2-3
- Called The Word of God- Role in creation and providence
 - The battle against truth

Armies of heaven 14

- Unusual uniforms...
- No weapons or battle plans!

The Rider's Action, 15-16

- Sharp sword: the word of God, cf. Isaiah 49.2
 - Strikes down the nations
- Totally just, Isaiah 11.4- which points to Messiah
- Rule with a rod of iron, Psalm 2.9
 - Tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty
 - o Isaiah 63.2-6
- Name on robe and thigh: King of Kings and Lord of Lords.
 - o This name already given to God in Revelation 17.14

So What About Us?

- The Lord's Supper helps us remember
- Remembering the battle
- This is a portrait of Jesus we need to remember

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD April 16, 2023

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

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

Welcome and Announcements

ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship:

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

- Revelation 1.6

Invocation

Declaration of Truth: Revelation 7.9-10

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"

Hymn of Praise All Hail the Power #296

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.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God Who from his altar call; Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, And crown him Lord of all: Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod, And crown him Lord of all.

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, Ye ransomed of the fall, Hail him who saves you by his grace, And crown him Lord of all: Hail him who saves you by his grace, And crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall, Go spread your trophies at his feet, And crown him Lord of all: Go spread your trophies at his feet, And crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball, To him all majesty ascribe, And crown him Lord of all: To him all majesty ascribe, 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.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Gift of Music

Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Please sign and pass the registration book 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.

EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30PM

Join us tonight as Pastor Ben looks at Luke 13.22-35, in our series, Luke: Becoming Certain About the Story. **Hymn of Testimony** His Robes for Mine

(Children ages 3 thru 3rd grade may be escorted to Children's Church)

His robes for mine: O wonderful exchange!

Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered 'neath God's rage.

Draped in His righteousness, I'm justified.

In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

Refrain: I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God.

Bought by such love, my life is not my own. My praise-my all-shall be for Christ alone.

His robes for mine: what cause have I for dread? God's daunting Law Christ mastered in my stead.

Faultless I stand with righteous works not mine,

Saved by my Lord's vicarious death and life.

His robes for mine: such anguish none can know.

Christ, God's beloved, condemned as though His foe.

He, as though I, accursed and left alone;

I, as though He, embraced and welcomed home!

His robes for mine: God's justice is appeased.

Jesus is crushed, and thus the Father's pleased.

Christ drank God's wrath on sin, then cried "'Tis done!"

Sin's wage is paid; propitiation won.

THE WORD AND THE SACRAMENT

Reading of God's Word

Revelation 19.11-16, p. 1039 pew bible

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

Prayer of Illumination

Sermon Ready for Battle Pastor John Series: Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow: The Book of Revelation

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) and I Corinthians 1.18-25 (p. 952), 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 Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus #481

O soul, are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see? There's a light for a look at the Savior, and life more abundant and free!

Refrain: Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of his glory and grace.

Through death into life everlasting he passed, and we follow him there; over us sin no more hath dominion—for more than conqu'rors we are!

His Word shall not fail you - he promised; believe him, and all will be well: then go to a world that is dying, his perfect salvation to tell!

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. Also, our custom is that we take each element in unison after everyone has been served.*

OUR RESPONSE

Hymn of Celebration Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery

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. (repeat italicized portion)

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Word and Deed Offering: Today's word and deed offering will be used to meet needs in our community.

Declaration of Hope (Unison)

Revelation 1.7; 22.20b

Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.... Come, Lord Jesus!

Hymn of Parting *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face, and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of his glory & grace.*

The Benediction and Three-fold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC April 16

Lock-up

Marty Moore and Mike Peifer

8:30am

Ushers

Jeff Widstrom,, Alex Widstrom, Jeff Brack,
Jackie Souther, Gary Lewis, Jake Braselton

Greeters

Sign up at cmpca.org/greeters

Infants/Toddlers Kim Burdette
Children's Church Deb and Chuck Eidson

<u>11am</u>

Junior Assistants

Ushers Jay Carson, Kim Reed, Andy Wald, Caleb Wald, Stephen Wald, Benjamin Wald

Greeters Linda Hutchinson

Infants/Toddlers Rebecca Phillips and Walker Gossage

Children's Church Noah Carmosino

Junior Assistants Avery Cash and Joshua Phillips

<u>6:30pm</u>

Nursery

<u>Today</u>	This Week at CMPC
8:30am, 11am	Worship Services
10am	Sunday School
6:15pm 6:30pm	Kids of the Kingdom Sunday Evening Service

<u>Wednesday</u>	Wednesday Night Alive
	Meal
5:30	Orchestra
6:30	Choir
	WNA Classes
	Nursery
	Youth Group



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