

WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

JULY 17, 2022

GATHERING TO WORSHIP**Prelude** *Please silence all phones and electronic devices.***Welcome and Announcements****ADORATION OF GOD****Call to Worship:**

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth. 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 1.5b-6

Invocation**Declaration of Truth (unison):**

Revelation 1.7-8

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. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Hymn of Praise *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* #297

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!
Let angels prostrate fall, Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem,

*Refrain: And crown him, crown him, crown him,
crown him, and crown him Lord of all!*

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God
Who from his altar call, Who from his altar call;
Extol the Stem of Jesse's rod,

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,
Ye ransomed of the fall, Ye ransomed of the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace,

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall, The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet,

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
On this terrestrial ball, On this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe,

O that with yonder sacred throng
We at his feet may fall; We at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song,

SUMMER IN THE SON 20/20/20 6:30PM

Join us tonight as Pastor John looks at 2 Kings 4.1-7 and "Where's God?" in our series, *Elisha: The Spirit-filled Life in a Wordless World*. 20 minutes of singing, 20 minutes of study, and 20 minutes of food and fellowship for the whole family. Tonight:

CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE**Mission Moment** *Commissioning Germany Team***OUR GIFTS TO GOD****Gift of Music****Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings***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 *For All the Saints* #358*{Please note: we recommend using the hymnal for this hymn}**(Children ages 3 thru 3rd grade may be escorted to Children's Church)*

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
who thee by faith before the world confessed,
thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

O may thy soldiers faithful, true, and bold,
fight as the saints who nobly fought of old,
and win with them the victor's crown of gold.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
the saints triumphant rise in bright array;
the King of glory passes on his way.
Alleluia! Alleluia!

From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE WORD AND THE SACRAMENT**Reading of God's Word** Revelation 6.1-8 Pew Bible, p. 1031**All: *The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God will stand forever.*****Prayer of Illumination****Sermon** *Two Cries* Pastor John
Series— Revelation: Strength for Today, Hope for Tomorrow

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** *Jesus Paid It All* #308

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small;
Child of weakness, watch and pray, Find in Me your all in all."

*Refrain: Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.*

Lord, now indeed I find Your pow'r, and Yours alone,
Can change the leper's spots, And melt the heart of stone.

For nothing good have I Where-by Your grace to claim;
I'll wash my garments white In the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

And when, before the throne, I stand in Him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

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 today is gluten-free. Also, our custom is that we take each element in unison after everyone has been served.

OUR RESPONSE**Hymn of Celebration** *It is Well With My Soul (vs. 1-3)* #691

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
When sorrows like sea billows roll;
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

*Refrain:
It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul);
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
Let this blest assurance control,
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
And has shed his own blood for my soul.

My sin—O the bliss of this glorious thought!—
My sin, not in part, but the whole,
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

Word and Deed Offering: Today's word and deed offering will be used to meet the needs of people in and around 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 *It is Well With My Soul (vs. 4)* #691

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend;
"Even so"—it is well with my soul.
*It is well (It is well) with my soul (with my soul);
It is well, it is well with my soul.*

The Benediction and Three-fold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC July 17, 2022

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Local Ministries

Adults Protecting Children • Center Point • Choices Pregnancy Care Center • Eagle Ranch
Frontline Response (Out of Darkness) • Gateway House • Good News at Noon
Sacred Roots Farm • Young Life

Lock-up	Will McVey and Steve Wentz
8:30am	
Ushers	Jason Wallis, Tommy Hulsey, Brent Booker, Andrew Booker, Will McVey, Brady McBey
Greeters	Barb Darvis
Infants/Toddlers	Marie Tiano
Children's Church	Nola Friedell
Junior Assistants	Rich and Coleman Friedell
11am	
Ushers	Jason Cunningham, Mark Rush, Jack Hutchinson, John W. Batusic, Andrew Batusic, Jacob Batusic
Greeters	
Infants/Toddlers	Jennifer and Craig Cash
Children's Church	Melissa Batusic
Junior Assistants	Allie Batusic and Joshua Phillips
6:30pm	
Nursery	
Today	This Week at CMPC
8:30am, 11am	Worship Services
10am	Sunday School
6:30	Summer in the Son
Wednesday	Wednesday Night Alive
5:30	Meal
6:30	Orchestra Choir WNA Classes Nursery Youth Group



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When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. ¹⁰They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" ¹¹Then they were each given a white robe and told to rest a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and their brothers^[d] should be complete, who were to be killed as they themselves had been.

¹²When he opened the sixth seal, I looked, and behold, there was a great earthquake, and the sun became black as sackcloth, the full moon became like blood, ¹³and the stars of the sky fell to the earth as the fig tree sheds its winter fruit when shaken by a gale. ¹⁴The sky vanished like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. ¹⁵Then the kings of the earth and the great ones and the generals and the rich and the powerful, and everyone, slave^[d] and free, hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains, ¹⁶calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, ¹⁷for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

Two Great Cries

The Fifth Seal, 9-11

- Response to the suffering brought about by the first four seals
- This seal is opened at the same time as the other four seals
- Who
 - Souls
 - Beneath the altar
 - John sees the two altars at the temple, one for sacrifice, the other for incense, as one altar in heaven
 - Where the sacrificial blood was poured and "life" resulted
 - Their loved ones who have died for the faith are still alive! And they are with Christ
 - Faithful to God and willing to die for him
 - Martyrs, but actually represent all of God's people
 - Like Jesus, their sufferings advance the work of the kingdom.
 - The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church- Tertullian
- Their cry
 - Cry for justice that emanates from God's throne
 - Want God's justice fully brought to bear and all evil eliminated
 - The church does not escape persecution
 - It endures and perseveres
 - Not because they are selfish... but rather they are in tune with God
 - They want God to be glorified
- The answer
 - A white robe- represents victory and purity
 - They are to rest... trust God
 - The martyrs yet to be
 - Being in the center of God's plan may include martyrdom

The Sixth Seal, 12-17

- Jesus returns in Luke 21.25-27 and Mark 13.24-26 immediately following the sun, moon and stars phenomena
- The catastrophes of nature indicate what is to come

- Earthquakes prominent in the first century in Asia Minor
- Here, a great earthquake... the sun... the moon...
 - Joel 2.31; 2.1; Isaiah 34.4
 - Matthew 24.29
 - Sun darkened, moon like blood, Cf. Mark 13.6-8; the shaking of the old creation in preparation for the new creation; Revelation 21.1; II Peter 2.10-14; Matthew 24.29-30; Isaiah 13.10; cf. Joel 2
- Sun and moon no longer the source of light... God is
 - Sun darkened, moon like blood, Cf. Mark 13.6-8; the shaking of the old creation in preparation for the new creation; Revelation 21.1; II Peter 2.10-14; Matthew 24.29-30; Isaiah 13.10; cf. Joel 2
- That atmosphere which makes the sky look blue is rolled up, cf Isaiah
- Even the mountains...
- These natural upheavals... indicate the picture of terror and dread coming for unbelievers
- The second coming/day of judgment
 - This is the first of seven descriptions of the second coming that we will have in Revelation
 - Wake up call... judgment is coming... and no one will escape
 - The ones who hide
 - Jesus is the great king we are reminded in the call to worship
 - Seven types of people- complete judgment
 - The great day indicates complete judgment as well
 - They flee and hide rather than repent
 - Seven types of people in 6.15: complete judgment
 - Status won't matter
 - People flee like Adam and Eve
 - The wrath of God and the Lamb
 - Yes, Jesus... Romans 2.16 and John 5.27
- Who can stand?
 - Note: the question is not "will I survive the trouble that lies in this world?" But "will I survive the judgment of the Lamb?"
 - God's just anger against sin and evil, cf. Genesis
 - The final word for the world
 - For God's people: vindication

So What About Us?

- The answer
 - Only those who repent and believe
 - Maintain our hope in God
 - The Lord's Table