

## THIS SUNDAY AT CMPC...

This Sunday at CMPC we take a week away from Revelation as Pastor John looks at Isaiah 33.22 and *Living in the USA*. Then on Sunday evening for *Summer in the SON* Pastor John will look at Genesis 41 and *From the Pit to the Palace* in our series *Joseph: When Dreams Come True*. This Sunday evening's menu is:

Our hymns this week focus on God as king; and three of them are prayers we should be/ are praying. We will gather with the late 20<sup>th</sup> century prayer *Shine, Jesus, Shine* by Graham Kendrick. Our hymn of praise will be *God the Uncreated One (aka King Forevermore)*. Our second prayer/hymn will be *God of Our Fathers*, written in 1876 to celebrate our nation's 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. We will then respond to God's word with our third prayer hymn, *O Church, Arise*.

We do well to pray all these hymns! As our nation celebrates its 147<sup>th</sup> birthday, revival is needed more than ever; and then a Great Awakening following that. Keep praying!

And don't forget- there's no WNA on July 5 or 12 but a big picnic on July 19<sup>th</sup>!

## CMPC SERMON NOTES

**Sermon:** "Living in the USA" **Text:** Isaiah 33.22

### How do we view our nation?

- Are we a Christian nation? Technically correct: we are not a theocracy
- So what is the connection between Christianity and our nation?
  - Critical question for how we view our nation and hence how we are to live as God's people who are also citizens of nations.
  - Close enough so that throughout our nation's history, it has been called a "Christian" nation.
- Supreme Court Justice David Brewer (1823-1910): "Of all the nations in the world. . . (America is) most justly called a Christian nation (because Christianity) has so largely shaped and molded it."

Who said it...

- "The general principles on which the fathers achieved independence were. . . the general principles of Christianity."
- "The teachings of the Bible are so interwoven and entwined with our whole civic and social life that it would be literally... impossible for us to figure to ourselves what that life would be if these teaching were removed. America was born a Christian nation — America was born to exemplify that devotion to the elements of righteousness which are derived from the revelations of Holy Scripture."
- "American life is builded, and can alone survive, upon the] fundamental philosophy announced by the Savior nineteen centuries ago. This is a Christian Nation."

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- "I believe the entire Bill of Rights came into being because of the knowledge our forefathers had of the Bible and their belief in it: freedom of belief of expression, of assembly, of petition, the dignity of the individual, the sanctity of the home, equal justice under law, and the reservation of powers to the people I like to believe we are living today in the spirit of the Christian religion. I like also to believe that as long as we do so, no great harm can come to our country. "
- "This is a Christian nation."
- 'No nation has ever existed or been governed without religion. Nor can be. The Christian religion is the best religion that has been given to man and I, as Chief Magistrate of this nation, am bound to give it the sanction of my example.

So what do we say?

- History: nation founded upon Christian principles based on Judeo-Christian worldview and ethics drawn from the Bible.
  - Our text today is one of the key verses
- Prevailing 18<sup>th</sup> Century Biblical Worldview
- Reformation worldview:
  - a Sovereign Creator; the rule of law

#### Isaiah 33.22

- Judge
  - God is a just God
- Law is the basis for liberty and freedom
  - Law's purpose: restrain evil
  - Protect the poor and the alien
- King- accountability to our Creator
- A verse for the government: Three branches
  - Judicial Branch- Judge
- Legislative Branch- Lawgiver
- Executive Branch- king

#### Why is it needed?

- The grip of sin
- Example: Capitalism
  - Pros:
    - Acknowledges human creativity and freedom

- Acknowledges hard work
- Cons:
  - Distorted by greed
  - Distorted by selfishness/lack of kindness
- God Saves

**So What About Us?**

- Understanding dual citizenship
- Salt and Light
- Proclamation
- Micah 6.8
  - Pursue justice and mercy
  - Walk humbly with your God Prayer
- Revival
- Prayer (three hymns)

## WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

JULY 2, 2023

### GATHERING TO WORSHIP

#### Prelude

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

#### Welcome and Announcements

Ben Phillips,  
Pastor of Ministries

#### The Song of Ascent

*God's people sang together as they gathered and  
traveled together up to Jerusalem to worship God.*

#### Congregation

*Shine, Jesus, Shine*

Lord, the light of Your love is shining, In the midst of the darkness shining;  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us,  
Set us free by the truth You now bring us;  
Shine on me, Shine on me.

*Refrain: Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory.*

*Blaze, Spirit, blaze; set our hearts on fire.*

*Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy.*

*Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.*

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence, From the shadows into Your radiance;  
By the blood I may enter Your brightness  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness  
Shine on me, shine on me.

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness So our faces display Your likeness,  
Ever changing from glory to glory;  
Mirrored here, may our lives tell your story;  
Shine on me, shine on me.

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### ADORATION OF GOD

**Call to Worship:** "The seventh angel sounded his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, which said: 'The kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ, and He will reign forever and ever.'"

— Revelation 11.15

#### Quieting of Hearts, Confession of Sin and Invocation

#### Declaration of Truth:

Psalms 47

**Leader:** Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

**All: He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet. He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom He loves.**

**Leader:** God has gone up with a shout, the LORD with the sound of a trumpet.

**All: Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises! For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!**

**Leader:** God reigns over the nations; God sits on His holy throne. The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham.

**All: For the shields of the earth belong to God; He is highly exalted!**

#### Hymn of Praise *God, the Uncreated One (King Forevermore)*

God, the uncreated one The author of salvation  
Who wrote the laws of space and time And fashioned worlds to his design  
The one whom angel hosts revere Hung the stars like chandeliers  
Numbered every grain of sand Knows the heart of every man  
He is king forever He is king forever He is king forevermore

God, our fortress and our strength The rock on which we can depend  
Matchless in his majesty His power and authority  
Unshaken by the schemes of man Never-changing, Great I AM  
Kingdoms rise and kingdoms fall He is faithful through it all  
Crown him king forever Crown him king forever Crown him king forevermore

Mighty God in mortal flesh Forsaken by a traitor's kiss  
The curse of sin and centuries Did pierce the lowly prince of peace  
Oh lifted high, the sinless man Crucified, the spotless lamb  
Buried by the sons of man Rescued by the father's hand  
To reign as king forever Reign as king forever Reign as king forevermore

King eternal, God of grace We crown you with the highest praise  
Heaven shouts and saints adore "You're holy, holy, holy, Lord!"  
What joy in everlasting life All is love and faith is sight  
Justice rolls and praises rise At the name of Jesus Christ

King of kings forever King of kings forever King of kings forevermore

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### CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

#### Mission Moment

#### Pastoral Prayer

#### OUR GIFTS TO GOD

#### Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*Please pass and sign the registration pad 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.

#### The Gift of Music

Orchestra

#### *Fanfare and Processional on God of Our Fathers*

#### Hymn of Testimony

*God of Our Fathers*

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand  
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band  
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,  
Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past;  
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;  
Be Thou our Ruler, Guardian, Guide, and Stay;  
Thy Word our law, Thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,  
Be Thy strong arm our ever sure defense;  
Thy true religion in our hearts increase,  
Thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh Thy people on their toilsome way,  
Lead us from night to never-ending day;  
Fill all our lives with love and grace divine,  
And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

#### Reading of God's Word

Isaiah 33.22

Pew Bible, p. p594

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

#### Prayer of Illumination

#### Sermon

*Living in the USA*

Pastor John

### OUR RESPONSE

#### Prayer of Application

#### Hymn of Response

*O Church, Arise*

O church, arise and put your armor on; Hear the call of Christ our captain;  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
In the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth We'll stand against the devil's lies;  
An army bold whose battle cry is "Love!" Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, But to rage against the captor;  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole  
We will fight with faith and valor.

When faced with trials on ev'ry side, We know the outcome is secure,  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died—An inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross where love and mercy meet, As the Son of God is stricken;  
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, For the Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away, And Christ emerges from the grave,  
This vict'ry march continues till the day Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

So Spirit, come, put strength in ev'ry stride, Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,  
That we may run with faith to win the prize Of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way, Retelling triumphs of His grace,  
We hear their calls and hunger for the day When, with Christ, we stand in glory.

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### The Benediction and Threefold Amen

#### EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30PM

Tonight we continue *Summer in the SON*, CMPC's 20/20/20 summer format:  
20 minutes of singing, 20 minutes of study, 20 minutes of food'n'fellowship.

This summer's study will be *Joseph's Story: When Dreams Come True*.  
Tonight Pastor John will be looking at Genesis 41 and *From the Pit to the Palace*.  
Children, pick up a coloring sheet in the narthex.

Tonight's menu: Sloppy Joes!

Serving Christ at CMPC July 2

Lock-up	Steve Saville and PJ Friedell
<b>8:30am</b>	
Ushers	Jeff Widstrom, Alex Widstrom, Jeff Brack, Jackie Southern, Gary Lewis, Jake Braselton
Greeters	Sarah Booker
Infants/Toddlers	Marie Tianno
Children's Church	Jason Wallis
Junior Assistants	
<b>11am</b>	
Ushers	Jay Carson, Kim Reed, Andy Wald, Caleb Wald, Stephen Wald, Benjamin Wald
Greeters	<i>Sign up at <a href="http://cmpca.org/greeters">cmpca.org/greeters</a></i>
Infants/Toddlers	Audrey, Lilly and Emma Prince
Children's Church	Becky Ensley
Junior Assistants	Benjamin Wald and Ella Cash
<b>6:30pm</b>	
Nursery	
<b>Today</b>	<b>This Week at CMPC</b>
8:30am, 11am	Worship Services
10am	Sunday School
6:30pm	Summer in the Son (Sloppy Joes)
<b>Wednesday</b>	No WNA this week



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