

Celebration of Worship

(A casual, family-oriented, "come as you are" worship)

Sunday, March 13, 2022

8:30 a.m.

**People Standing*

Prelude *Softly and Tenderly*

***Gathering and Singing**

*My Hope Is Built
You Are Mine
Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

***Welcome and Announcements**

Please sign the attendance register in your pew.

Prayer Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer *Saranam, Saranam / Jesus, Savior, Lord*

Morning Prayer

Epistle Reading *Philippians 3:17-4:1*

***Gospel Reading** *Luke 13:31-35*

Message *Obstacles* *Rev. David Jacobson*

***Departing Song** *We Receive Your Blessing*

***Benediction**

Offering plates are available as you leave.

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Sunday, March 13, 2022

10:00 a.m.

**Indicates the Congregation is asked to stand*

Second Sunday in Lent

*Welcome to worship! The 10 a.m. service is recorded and streamed live online.
The first nine rows of seats may occasionally appear in the recording.*

Prelude *Children of the Heavenly Father* Robert Lau

***Opening Hymn – No. 368** *My Hope Is Built*

***Call to Worship**

Leader: We come because we seek our God.

**People: Every morning, every day, every evening, every moment,
God is with us.**

Leader: We come because we hunger for Christ.

**People: Jesus will feed us with hope, will replace our emptiness with
grace.**

Leader: We come because we thirst for the Spirit.

**People: Who fills our yearning for peace, who ends the drought of
justice.**

***Opening Prayer**

**Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in
safety to this new day. Preserve us with your mighty power, that we
may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do,
direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

***Gloria Patri – No. 70**

Words of Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the attendance register in your pew.)

Anthem*Create in Me*

Terre Johnson

*Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit in me.
Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with thy free spirit.*

(Psalm 51:10-12)

A Time of Sharing with Our Swahili-Speaking Congregation**Morning Prayer**

**Giver of hope beyond all human hope,
you promise light and salvation
in the midst of darkness and despair,
and promise redemption to a world that will not listen.
Gather us to yourself in tenderness,
open our ears to listen to your word,
and teach us to live faithfully
as people confident of the fulfillment of your promises.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer**The Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings****Offertory***Jerusalem, Thou Killest the Prophets*

Felix Mendelssohn

(from the oratorio "St. Paul")

Erica Ferguson, soprano

*O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the Prophets, thou that stonest them
that are sent unto thee; how often would I have gathered unto me thy children,
and ye would not!*

Presentation of the Offering – No. 95*Epistle Reading**

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Hymn of Preparation – No. 417 *O For a Heart to Praise My God

***Gospel Reading**

Luke 13:31-35

Sermon

Obstacles

Rev. David Jacobson

***Hymn of Invitation – No. 348**

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

***Dismissal with Blessing**

Postlude

Voluntary

John Stanley

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Intercessory Prayer Concerns

For the week of March 13th:

Bryce Doxzon	Del Kazee	Debbie Blair
Jeff Odom	Dick Hine	Patty
Nancy Hobbs	Bob Sansbury	Bill Butz
Hazel and Florentino Sosa	Melody Stump	Greg Eff

Our confirmands: Amelia, Ben, Cassie, Emma, Julia, Kaitlyn,
Solomon, and William

This week we lift up: ***Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland,
Iceland, Norway, Sweden***

We are **thankful** for:

- the spectacular beauty of the changing landscape of forests, lakes, mountains and glaciers
- churches that are advocating and implementing measures to redress climate change that is dramatic here and throughout the world
- those who have opened their doors and hearts to people migrating to these lands
- the support for justice, peace and interfaith work that comes from these countries.

We **pray** for:

- the poor and marginalized who struggle in these rich countries
- personal and investment practices that support environmental sustainability
- growing openness to becoming more multi-ethnic, multi-faith societies
- those who are affluent that they will contribute to making the world and their societies more just for all.
- a Church that is prepared to be a voice in the struggle for indigenous people rights.

***In response to what I have learned, experienced and heard from God,
this week I will*** _____

Sunday, March 13, 2022 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Contemporary Worship Celebration



Opening Song: *"Great Are You Lord"*

Welcome & Birthdays

Call to Worship: *Karen Higby*

Rejoice/Psalm Reading: *Mary Coates*

Praise & Worship:

"Salvation Belongs to Our God"

"Holy Is the Lord God Almighty"

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

Offering & Music Video:

"God is Good" - Francesca Battistelli

Announcements

Joys & Concerns

Prayer and Reflection

Scripture Readings: *Philippians 3:17-4:1*

Luke 13:31-35

Message: *Pastor David*

Closing Song: *"I Will Follow"*

Week of March 13 - 19, 2022

Sunday

8:30 a.m.	Blended Worship	1:30 p.m.	A.A., 206
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School	2:00 p.m.	Eagle Scout, Sanc.
10:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship	3:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 2499, 204-5
10:00 a.m.	Swahili Worship, SH	7:00 p.m.	Praise Service
11:00 a.m.	Stephens Ministry, 208		

Monday

6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 653, 305	7:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 1194, 305
6:30 p.m.	Square Dance, SH	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study, Library
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts, SR		

Tuesday

10:30 a.m.	Bible Study, Library	7:00 p.m.	Young Adult Bible Stdy
11:00 a.m.	Prayer, Sanctuary	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Ministry, Parlor
4:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts 884 - SR	7:00 p.m.	Round Dance, SH
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts, SR	8:00 p.m.	A.A., 305

Wednesday

12:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study, 211	7:00 p.m.	Cubs 307, 202-5, SR
1:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawls, Library	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study, via zoom

Thursday

4:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 178, SR	7:00 p.m.	Abigail Circle
6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 1640, SR	7:00 p.m.	Grief Group, Library
6:30 p.m.	Bible Study, 208	7:00 p.m.	Bible Journaling, 211
6:30 p.m.	Confirmation, 201	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir

Friday

7:30 p.m.	Middle Sch. Youth, SH	9:00 p.m.	HS Youth, SC
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Saturday

8:00 a.m.	Methodist Girls	9:00 a.m.	Ballroom Dance, SH
8:30 a.m.	King's Men	10:00 a.m.	Sewing Guild, 211

The altar flowers are given in honor of our children, Alina, Christopher and William by Janet & Sean Coleman.

The bulletins are given in memory of Marjorie & Clarence Sommer, Ralph Chance, Jr. and Ralph Chance, III by Anne & Jerry Sommer.

Serving today:	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>
Greeters:	Jody & Bill Crum	Betty & Mike Taylor
Lector:		Nancy Ahern
Assisting Pastor:		Jeff D'Arcy
Nursery:		Ariel Spindler
Steward:	Samantha Shepherd	

Have you ever wished you could pray with someone hurting, but you haven't known how to do it or what to say? Pastor David will teach a 3-session "Prayer Ministry Training" Tuesdays, March 15, 22, and 29. The training will be in the parlor (the rear of the sanctuary) 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. No prior knowledge or experience is necessary. Topics will include scriptural foundations, theology, values and etiquette, and models for praying for various common needs.

Save the date! The United Methodist Men's Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 2nd in the Social Hall. Tickets are on sale today between the morning services and after the 10 a.m. service.

Easter Flowers – Lilies & tulips can be ordered to be placed on the altar on Easter, April 17th. Cost is \$12 for each plant. To place an order use the envelopes that are available at the entrances. Please use only one check for your entire order. **Orders are due on Sunday, March 13th.**

American Red Cross Blood Drive will be held in the Social Hall on Thursday, April 28th, 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. For more information or to schedule your appointment contact Janice Barber, 410-747-3797 or jbarber@umd.edu.

High School youth are going to do an Escape Room outing on Friday, March 25th. Cost is \$25 and all high schoolers are invited to join us but you **MUST** let me know you are coming by Wednesday, March 16th so I can reserve enough spaces. Contact Loriann Hughes 443-794-0805.

Afghan refugees in Jessup are facing many challenges as they navigate living in the US. One of the big ones is transportation. The hotel is not near anything and not on a bus line. It has been suggested that providing bikes might be a great way to help them be able to get to the grocery store or other businesses. If anyone has an adult bike or a large children's bike in good working order, they would like to donate, you can bring it to church and I will transport to Jessup. I would also be available to collect the bike. Any money donated would be used to purchase secondhand bikes. Contact Loriann Hughes 443-794-0805.

United Methodists continue to pray and respond to the war now being waged in Ukraine. Hundreds of thousands of people have had to flee their homes. There are currently 2.9 million in need of urgent humanitarian assistance. To assist in efforts to assist these you are encouraged to give to The United Methodist Community on Relief (UMCOR) International Response and Recovery fund. Make your check payable to CUMC and designate "UMCOR" on the lower left corner.

Camp Hope is the high school summer mission trip for anyone who will be 14 by July 1, 2022. The trip dates are July 10-16. Cost is \$400 for the week, BUT....don't let the funds be the reason you don't go. I can always get scholarship money for anyone who wants to go but can't afford it. I'm asking for \$100 deposit (which is refundable if Camp is cancelled) along with the Camp Hope commitment form, found on the youth bulletin board outside Ms. Loriann's office, to hold your space. There are 12 youth spaces, 2 young adult (ages 18-25) spaces, and 3 adult spaces. Ever considered doing a mission trip? Camp Hope will change your life. Give it a try! Questions? Contact Ms. Loriann 443-794-0805 or cumcyouth@verizon.net.

How Can Our CUMC Stephen Ministers Help You? If you or someone you care about is experiencing difficulties, our Stephen Ministers are ready to listen, care, encourage, and be there to offer support—it's free and completely confidential. Let one of our trained Stephen Ministers meet with you privately—by phone, by video chat, or in person in a safe, social distancing setting to focus on you and your needs. You do not have to face it alone. For more information please visit our Stephen Ministry page at catonsvilleumc.org or contact Stephen Minister Referrals Coordinator, Glenda Henkel, at grhenkel320@gmail.com

CUMC is prayerfully seeking a Minister of Pastoral Care and an Early Service Music Co-Coordinator. Please join us in praying that God would connect us with the right people for this season of our life as a church. The job postings are available at <http://www.catonsvilleumc.org/jobs/>.

Rosebud Reservation Volunteers in Mission - Our Volunteers in Mission team will be returning to the Tree of Life Ministry in South Dakota from June 4-12, 2022 to help the Lakota people. This will be our church's 18th missions trip there. Should you like to help support the team's efforts, donations marked "Rosebud VIM" will be accepted at church. Thank you in advance for your assistance.

CUMC seeks a volunteer(s) to coordinate activities of the Altar Guild. The Altar Guild member teams are responsible for seeing that the altar is prepared for Sunday and other special services. The Coordinator duties include (not limited to) sending out a monthly calendar (via email) to team members advising them of altar colors used for the Sunday service and other related needs for the service; planning for special services such as Christmas and Easter; seeing that candle oil and other supplies are available for use; and substituting for members when team members have a conflict. Training will be provided. For additional information contact Clinton Scott or Judy Loar or by email at hscott@att.net.

Safe Families helps churches surround families in crisis with a community of support. Want to know how you can be a part? March 15th is a Safe Families For Children Virtual Volunteer Information Session at 7 pm. Visit <https://buildingfamiliesforchildren.org/sffc-info-session/> to sign up for the session. Email Katie at safefamilies@catonsvilleunc.org with questions.

Youth group has decided to create an emergency supplies closet for the Safe Families for Children program. We are looking for donations of: diapers (all sizes), wipes, children's clothes, coats and underwear in good condition, toys in very good condition with all of the parts, and a Pack'n Play or two. Donations may be dropped in the bins outside Ms. Loriann's office during the month of March.

The church office is operating remotely Monday and Wednesday, and in person on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Emails and phone messages are checked regularly.

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Get Involved at CUMC!

Adult Bible Studies / Small Groups

Monday evening at 7 p.m. in the Library

Tuesday daytime at 10:30 a.m. in the Library

Tuesday evening for Young Adults at 7 p.m. in the Library

Wednesday afternoon for Men at noon in Room 211

Thursday evening Bible Journaling/Coloring (1st & 3rd weeks) at 7 p.m. in 211

Thursday evening Grief Support Group at 7 p.m. in the Library

Thursday evening Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. in Room 208

Contact mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org for more information.

My Hope Is Built

- 1 My hope is built on nothing less
than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand:
all other ground is sinking sand;
all other ground is sinking sand.

- 2 When darkness veils his lovely face,
I rest on his unchanging grace;
in every high and stormy gale,
my anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]
- 3 His oath, his covenant, his blood,
support me in the whelming flood;
when all around my soul gives way,
he then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain]
- 4 When he shall come with trumpet sound,
O may I then in him be found:
dressed in his righteousness alone,
faultless to stand before the throne. [Refrain]

O For a Heart to Praise My God

- 1 O for a heart to praise my God,
a heart from sin set free;
a heart that always feels thy blood
so freely shed for me.
- 2 A heart resigned, submissive, meek,
my great Redeemer's throne;
where only Christ is heard to speak,
where Jesus reigns alone.
- 3 A humble, lowly, contrite heart,
believing, true, and clean,
which neither life nor death can part
from Christ who dwells within.

- 4 A heart in every thought renewed,
and full of love divine;
perfect and right and pure and good —
a copy, Lord, of thine.
- 5 Thy nature, gracious Lord, impart,
come quickly from above;
write thy new name upon my heart,
thy new, best name of Love.

Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling

- 1 Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling,
calling for you and for me;
see, on the portals he's waiting and watching,
watching for you and for me.

Refrain:
Come home, come home;
you who are weary come home;
earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling,
calling, O sinner, come home!
- 2 Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading,
pleading for you and for me?
Why should we linger and heed not his mercies,
mercies for you and for me? [Refrain]
- 3 Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing,
passing from you and from me;
shadows are gathering, deathbeds are coming,
coming for you and for me. [Refrain]
- 4 O for the wonderful love he has promised,
promised for you and for me!
Though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon,
pardon for you and for me. [Refrain]