

# *Celebration of Worship*

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

***Sunday, March 27, 2022***

***8:30 a.m.***

*\*People Standing*

**Prelude**

*Redeemed*

**\*Gathering and Singing**

*Amazing Grace*

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*

**\*Welcome and Announcements**

*Please sign the attendance register in your pew.*

**Prayer Joys and Concerns**

**Call to Prayer**

*Jesus, Remember Me*

**Morning Prayer**

**Gospel Reading**

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

**Message**

*Welcome Home*

Rev. David Jacobson

**\*Departing Song**

*God Be With You til We Meet Again*

**\*Benediction**

*Offering plates are available as you leave.*

# *Celebration of Worship*

*Sunday, March 27, 2022*

*10:00 a.m.*

*\*Indicates the Congregation is asked to stand*

## *Fourth 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**                      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*                      Alfred Fedak

**\*Opening Hymn – No. 159**                      *Lift High the Cross*

### **\*Call to Worship**

**Leader:** Come, let us celebrate the forgiving, reconciling love of God.

**People:** **For once we were lost and felt so far away; now we have been found and welcomed home.**

**Leader:** Know that God's love is lavished upon you forever.

**People:** **We rejoice at the news of forgiveness and hope!**

**Leader:** Come, let us celebrate and praise the God of Love.

**People:** **Let us open our hearts to God.**

### **\*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***Prayer*

Robert Lau

*To you, O Lord above, do I lift up my prayer, for you are my God; I put my trust in you. To you, O Lord above, do I lift up my prayer, for you are my guide in all that I say and do. Forgive my sins, O Father, and teach me to live by your truth. O hear my cry, forgive my sins, O my Lord. Hear my prayer, O Lord; lead me in paths of righteousness. Amen.*

*(Psalm 25 paraphrased by R. L.)*

**Morning Prayer****God of patient love,****you await the return of the wayward and wandering  
and eagerly embrace them in pardon.****Through baptism you have clothed us with the glory of Christ  
and restored our inheritance:****give us generous hearts****to welcome all who seek a place****at the table of your unconditional love.****We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.****Pastoral Prayer****The Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings****Offertory***Soliloquy*

Gordon Young

**\*Presentation of the Offering – No. 95****\*Hymn of Preparation – No. 378***Amazing Grace***Gospel Reading**

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

**Sermon***Welcome Home*

Rev. David Jacobson

**\*Hymn of Invitation – No. 351***Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior*

## **\*Dismissal with Blessing**

**Postlude**

*Voluntary*

George Frederick Handel

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*Notes:*

**Streaming Permissions for 10:00 service**

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## *Intercessory Prayer Concerns*

### **For the week of March 27<sup>th</sup>:**

|              |                |              |              |
|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|
| Bryce Doxzon | Del Kazee      | Debbie Blair | Jeff Odom    |
| Dick Hine    | Bette McKeldin | Nancy Hobbs  | Bob Sansbury |
| Greg Custer  | Melody Stump   | Greg Eff     |              |

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

This week we lift up: ***Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia***

### **We are thankful for:**

- the faithful witness of Christians here through the centuries, especially in times of occupation and persecution
- the peaceful resolution of disputes
- the distinctive cultural contributions and resources in these lands
- the religious freedom and ecumenical cooperation that is growing.

### **We pray for:**

- greater respect for the Roma people and others who are marginalized and who lack adequate livelihoods in these lands
- welcoming and engaging those of other faiths and ethnicities
- growth in spiritual as well as physical health
- democratic governance that advances God's justice and peace for all.

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

Sunday, March 27, 2022 ~ 7:00 p.m.

# *Contemporary Worship Celebration*



**Opening Song:** *"Hungry"*

**Welcome & Birthdays**  
**Call to Worship:** *Karen Higby*

**Rejoice/Psalm Reading:** *Mary Coates*

**Praise & Worship:**  
*"Good, Good Father"*  
*"Jesus Loves Me"*

**Greeting & Passing of the Peace**

**Offering & Music Video:**  
Blanca - "Even at My Worst"

**Announcements**  
**Joys & Concerns**  
**Prayer and Reflection**

**Scripture Reading:** Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

**Message:** *Pastor David*  
*"Welcome Home"*

**Closing Song:** *"Amazing Grace"*

## Week of March 27 – April 2, 2022

### Sunday

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

### Monday

|           |                     |           |                       |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| 6:30 p.m. | Square Dance, SH    | 7:00 p.m. | Bible Study, Library  |
| 7:00 p.m. | Scouts BSA 307G, SR | 7:00 p.m. | Girl Scouts 1194, 305 |

### Tuesday

|            |                       |           |                         |
|------------|-----------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| 10:30 a.m. | Bible Study, Library  | 7:00 p.m. | Young Adult Bible Study |
| 11:00 a.m. | Prayer, Sanctuary     | 7:00 p.m. | Prayer Ministry, Parlor |
| 4:30 p.m.  | Girl Scouts 884 - SR  | 8:00 p.m. | A.A., 305               |
| 7:00 p.m.  | Scouts BSA – 307B, SR |           |                         |

### 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 |
| 4:30 p.m.  | Cubs 307, SH           |           |                       |

### Thursday

|           |                      |           |                      |
|-----------|----------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 4:00 p.m. | Girl Scouts 178, SR  | 6:30 p.m. | Egg Hunt Prep, 211   |
| 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. | Square Dance, SH     |
| 6:30 p.m. | Confirmation, 201    | 7:30 p.m. | Chancel Choir        |

### Friday

|           |                     |           |                   |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| 7:30 p.m. | Middle School Youth | 9:00 p.m. | High School Youth |
|-----------|---------------------|-----------|-------------------|

### Saturday

|           |                 |           |                      |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------|----------------------|
| 8:00 a.m. | Methodist Girls | 1:00 p.m. | Accordion Club, 211  |
| 8:30 a.m. | King's Men      | 4:00 p.m. | Spaghetti Dinner, SH |

**The altar flowers** are given in loving memory of my grandfather, Carl Christiansen by Nancy Oswald.

**The yellow rose on the altar** is given in loving memory of Brittany Stevens for her birthday.

**The bulletins** are given in honor of Emma Sue Solloway by her family.

| <b>Serving today:</b>    | <b><u>8:30 a.m.</u></b> | <b><u>10:00 a.m.</u></b>  |
|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| <b>Greeters:</b>         | Pat & Ed Johnson        | Jan Strevig<br>Deb Henkel |
| <b>Lector:</b>           |                         | Jan Strevig               |
| <b>Assisting Pastor:</b> |                         | Jeff D'Arcy               |
| <b>Nursery:</b>          |                         | Ariel Spindler            |
| <b>Steward:</b>          | Chris Kennedy           |                           |

**Rev. Jeff Odom's Retirement** - The congregation donated \$9,961.60 in honor of his retirement! This collection has been donated to Steps of Hope - Guatemala, Inc. in his honor. Thank you, Pastor Jeff, for the many years of your wonderful support to the people of Catonsville UMC.

**Pastor Jeff thanks you** for your generous donations to his retirement fund that was designated to support Steps of Hope in Guatemala. If you would like to send a card or visit, his new address is Brightview Rolling Hills, 848 South Rolling Road, Catonsville, 21228, apartment 27.

**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.

**The Sunday School children** will have their Easter Egg Hunt this year on Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> during the Sunday School hour (between 10:00-11:00 a.m.). All children are welcome to join! First we will have a procession with the palms at the 10:00 service. Then after our Sunday School lesson, we will head outside for the egg hunt. For more information contact [mistyroll@catonsvilleumc.org](mailto:mistyroll@catonsvilleumc.org).

**We need help filling eggs!** Are you available to help fill some Easter eggs with candy and small prizes for the children? Join us this Thursday (3/31) from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m. in Room 211 for a time of fellowship and egg filling!

**American Red Cross Blood Drive** will be held in the Social Hall on Thursday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 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](mailto:jbarber@umd.edu).

**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.

**The nursery (Room 210)** is not currently staffed, but it is open for parents and their young children to use. The 10 a.m. worship live stream will be available on the TV.

**Catonsville Emergency Assistance** is having a fundraiser at Peace-A-Pizza on Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 3-7 p.m. Mention them at checkout and CEA will receive 20%! Deliveries are not included in fundraiser.

**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 18<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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](http://catonsvilleumc.org) or contact Stephen Minister Referrals Coordinator, Glenda Henkel, at [grhenkel320@gmail.com](mailto:grhenkel320@gmail.com)

**Youth group** has decided to create an emergency supplies closet for the Safe Families for Children program. We need 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.

**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.

**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](mailto:hscott@att.net).

**Yarn needed** – Donations of full skeins worsted weight yarn is needed by the Prayer Shawl group as they knit and crochet weekly making prayer shawls and lap blankets. Donations can be left in the church office. The group meets on Wednesdays, 1-2:30 p.m. in the Library. New members are always welcome – come and enjoy the fellowship!

**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/>.

**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](mailto:cumcyouth@verizon.net).

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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 (1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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](mailto:mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org) for more information.

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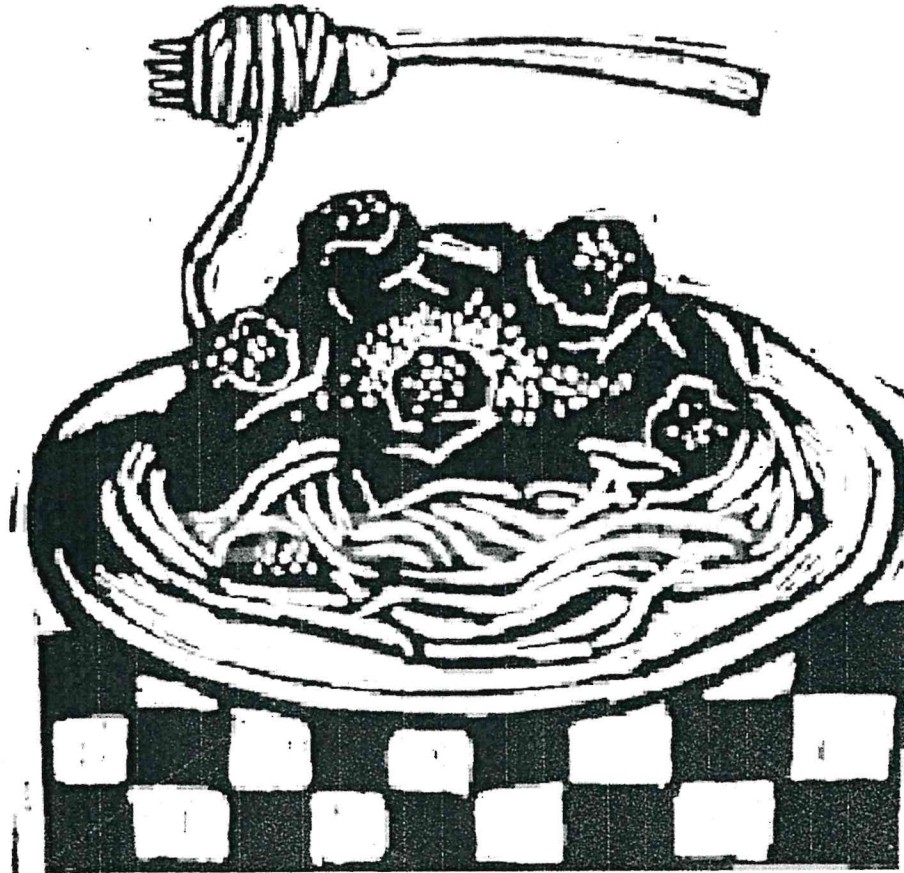
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# United Methodist Men's Annual Spaghetti Dinner



**To Benefit**  
**UMM Mission**  
**Projects**

Sat., April 2  
4 to 7 PM in the  
CUMC Social Hall

**Ticket Prices**

Family: \$35 / Adult: \$15  
Child (6-12): \$8 / Under 6: Free.  
Buy from a member on  
Sunday or call or text Tom  
(443-519-3056)

## Lift High the Cross

### Refrain:

Lift High the cross, the love of Christ proclaim  
Till all the world adore his sacred name.

- 1 Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.  
The hosts of God in unity combine. {refrain}
- 2 Each newborn servant of the Crucified  
bears on the brow the seal of him who died. {refrain}
- 3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,  
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. {refrain}
- 4 So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory! {refrain}

## Amazing Grace

- 1 Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found,  
was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,  
and grace my fears relieved;  
how precious did that grace appear  
the hour I first believed!
- 3 Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come:  
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,  
and grace will lead me home.
- 4 The Lord has promised good to me,  
his word my hope secures;  
he will my shield and portion be  
as long as life endures.
- 5 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,  
and mortal life shall cease:  
I shall possess, within the veil,  
a life of joy and peace.

- 6 When we've been there ten thousand years,  
bright signing as the sun,  
we've no less days to sing God's praise  
than when we first begun.

### **Pass Me Not, O Gentle Savior**

- 1 Pass me not, O gentle Savior,  
Hear my humble cry,  
While on others Thou art calling,  
Do not pass me by.

Refrain:

Savior, Savior,  
Hear my humble cry;  
While on others Thou art calling,  
Do not pass me by.

- 2 Let me at a throne of mercy  
Find a sweet relief;  
Kneeling there in deep contrition,  
Help my unbelief. [Refrain]
- 3 Trusting only in Thy merit,  
Would I seek Thy face;  
Heal my wounded, broken spirit,  
Save me by Thy grace. [Refrain]
- 4 Thou the Spring of all my comfort,  
More than life to me,  
Whom have I on earth beside Thee?  
Whom in heaven but Thee? [Refrain]