

# *Celebration of Worship*

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

***Sunday, July 31, 2022***

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

*\*People Standing*

**Prelude**                      *Be Thou My Vision*                      arr. by Joel Raney

**Call to Worship**              *Knights of the North Castle*

**\*Gathering and Singing**

*Our God  
You Are My All in All  
Be Thou My Vision*

**\*Welcome and Announcements**

*Please sign the attendance register in your pew.*

**Prayer Joys and Concerns**

**Call to Prayer**              *Change My Heart, O God*

**Morning Prayer**

**\*Epistle Reading**    Colossians 3:1-11

**Message**                      *Things Above*                      Rev. David Jacobson

**\*Departing Song**              *I Have Decided to Follow Jesus*

**\*Benediction**

*Offering plates are available as you leave.*



## Morning Prayer

Generous God,  
in abundance you give us things both spiritual and physical.  
Help us to hold lightly the fading things of this earth  
and grasp tightly the lasting things of your kingdom,  
so that what we are and do and say  
may be our gifts to you  
through Christ, who beckons all to seek the things above,  
where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

## Pastoral Prayer

## Lord's Prayer

## The Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

### Offertory

*Artist of My Soul*  
(Kimberly Neal, soloist)

Rick Vale

*Chorus: O Lord of beauty Lord of art who gives a song for every heart.  
Carve out my life, reshape and mold and be the artist of my soul.*

*1. O Lord of light of form and hue who has created all things new.  
Create in me from shapeless clay an instrument on which You play.*

*2. God of the dance that planets tread who walks beside and soars ahead. O let  
me move to worship Thee. Come Holy Spirit dance with me.*

*Bridge: God of the Living Word, poet of time teach me Your Words in Your  
cadence and rhyme.*

**\*Presentation of the Offering – No. 95**      *Praise God*

### Epistle Reading

Colossians 3:1-11

**\*Hymn of Hope – No. 451**      *Be Thou My Vision*

### Sermon

*Things Above*

Rev. David Jacobson

**\*Hymn of Consecration – No. 399**      *Take My Life and Let It Be*

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**

**Postlude**

*Go Forth in Praise*

Eugene Englert

**Streaming Permissions for 10:00 Service**

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## *Intercessory Prayer Concerns*

### **For the week of July 31<sup>st</sup>:**

Bryce Doxzon	Greg Custer	Melody Stump
Bob Sansbury	Hazel Sosa	Lisa (Buck) Henneman
Marge Odom	Jeff Odom	Judy
Rich Call		

This week we lift up: *Republic of Congo, Gabon, Sao Tome and Principe*

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

- wildlife and rainforests in these lands, and those who protect this habitat
- the oral traditions, folklore, and good practices that have been preserved
- rich minerals and economic development, although benefits need to be shared more fairly
- healing from exploitative practices that began under colonial rule.

### **We pray for:**

- democratic fair elections and political stability in this region
- economic development that benefits all the people, especially those living in poverty
- preservation of the wildlife and the land
- the witness of the churches and other faith groups in the midst of the challenges.

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

*Please contact the church office via phone or email  
to request an addition to the prayer list.  
Your prayer request will remain in the bulletin for four weeks.*

Sunday, July 31, 2022 ~ 7:00 p.m.

## *Contemporary Worship Celebration*



**Opening Song:** *"Goodness of God"*

**Welcome & Birthdays**

**Call to Worship**

*Karen Higby*

**Words of Praise**

*Mary Coates*

**Praise & Worship:**

*"Jesus Loves Me"*

*"Hallelujah Your Love Makes Me Sing"*

**Greeting & Passing of the Peace**

**Offering & Music Video:**

*"The Goodness"* - TobyMac and Blessing Offor

**Announcements, Joys & Concerns**

**Prayer and Reflection**

**Scripture Reading and Message:**

*"Things Above"* - David Jacobson

**Closing Song:** *"How Great is our God"*

## **Week of July 31 – August 6, 2022**

### **Sunday**

8:30 a.m. Blended Worship      10:00 a.m. Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. Study of Mark, 211      1:30 p.m. A.A., 206  
10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship      7:00 p.m. Praise Service  
10:00 a.m. Swahili Worship, SH

### **Monday – Pastor David’s Sabbath**

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School      7:00 p.m. Bible Study, Library  
7:00 p.m. BSA 307G, SR

### **Tuesday**

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School      7:00 p.m. Scouts BSA 307B, SR  
10:30 a.m. Bible Study      8:00 p.m. A.A., 305

### **Wednesday**

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School      12:00 p.m. Men’s Bible Study  
1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawls, Library

### **Thursday**

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School      7:00 p.m. Grief Group, Library

### **Friday**

9:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School

### **Saturday**

8:00 a.m. Methodist Girls      11:00 a.m. Swahili Singers, SH  
9:00 a.m. Ballroom Dance, SH      1:00 p.m. Accordion Club, 211

**The flowers on the altar** are given by Jackson Kistler in loving memory of his grandparents, Luell & Bill Lewis and Frances & Glenn Kistler.

**The rosebud on the altar** is given in honor of the birth of Aiden Michael Blair, son of Stephanie (Markland) & Andrew Blair on July 16, 2022.

**The bulletins** are given in honor of the CUMC Congregation who very generously support our Vacation Bible School program with crafts, snacks and monetary donations.

<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	Betty & Mike Taylor
<b>Lector:</b>		Phil Bowman
<b>Steward:</b>	Logan Shaner	

**A Message from our COVID Task Force** - We are seeing a disturbing increase in cases of Covid-19 infections and hospitalizations in our area. Please take extra precautions during this challenging period. If you are not feeling well, choose to worship at home instead of visiting the church. We urge you to wear a mask while in the building, and try to leave appropriate distance between yourself and others. Take advantage of free test kits that are available through the federal government. Prayerfully consider receiving a vaccine and booster. And please continue to demonstrate Christian love for all.

**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.

**Join us for Summer Sunday School this summer!** We will have outdoor lessons in the Prayer Garden in nice weather and will meet in the Nursery if it is rainy. Children ages 4 – 5<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome and will learn together. Middle and high schoolers will have a separate lesson.

**Rummage Sale donations** cannot be accepted at this time. A sale will be held when the Trustees feel it is safe to do so.

**Warm Welcome Lunches** will resume next Wednesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> with macaroni & cheese, bean salad, sauteed spinach and dessert on the menu. Thanks to Trinity UMC for providing bagged lunches to all attendees this week while Vacation Bible School is happening.

**Back-to-School backpacks:** This school year we plan to help 100 students in the Catonsville area in need of school supplies. The back packs will be available for distribution from the back of the sanctuary today and on August 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. They should be returned to Room 206 starting August 7<sup>th</sup> and no later than August 21<sup>st</sup> for distribution that week. If you have extra supplies that do not fit in the backpack, please place them in a grocery bag and tie it to the backpack. The school administrators and guidance counselors are very grateful that you are so generous in helping their students. Please pray for all students and their teachers as they begin their new school year on August 29<sup>th</sup>. Questions, contact Janice Barber, 410-747-3797 or [barberjanice93@gmail.com](mailto:barberjanice93@gmail.com)

**THANK YOU from STEPS OF HOPE:** Thank you from Steps of Hope-Guatemala to all CUMC members who support our cause with gifts through the church. Because CUMC and Steps of Hope are two separate organizations, confidentiality requirements mean we don't always get a chance to send personalized thank you's. You are appreciated!

**Could you benefit** from someone to listen, care, encourage, and be there to offer you support during difficult times? Let one of our trained Stephen Ministers meet with you privately—by phone, by video chat, or in person in a safe, social distanced setting to focus on you and your needs. It's free and completely confidential. You do not have to face difficulties 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)

**We Care** provides lunches to church members and families after Funeral and Memorial Services. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve the lunches. For information contact Jane Sneeringer at 443-388-6064 or [billnjanesneeringer@verizon.net](mailto:billnjanesneeringer@verizon.net).

**Pajamas, socks, and underwear oh my!** These are some of the most needed items for the Safe Families' children who often come to their host family with very little. There will be a collection box outside Loriann's office for the next month. Please consider donating packages of new kids' socks and underwear, as well as pajamas either new or gently used. If shopping isn't your thing, a cash donation will be put toward the purchase of these items. Simply mark it for SAFE FAMILIES and we will handle the shopping.

**Please join The Buck family** for the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Casey Cares 5K Run/Walk on August 6<sup>th</sup> at the Maryland Zoo, raising funds for Casey Cares, a non-profit organization that helps critically ill children and their families. Our goal is \$1,500. You can donate online with the following link <http://runsignup.com/race/111403/donate/ilrEhw2zbgWoxi7n> and search for Lynda Newsome-Buck, or you can mail your donation to us at 501 Newburg Ave., Catonsville, MD 21228. Questions - please feel free to contact Lynda at 410-615-7440.

**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.

### ***Get Involved at CUMC!***

#### **Adult Bible Studies / Small Groups**

Sunday morning at 9:45 a.m. in Room 211

Monday evening at 7 p.m. in the Library

Tuesday daytime at 10:30 a.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), 7 p.m. in 211

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

Contact [mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org](mailto:mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org) for more information.

# Did You Know?

- Prayer shawls are lovingly knitted and crocheted by members of Catonsville UMC and are available for those needing to be covered in prayer.
- We have lots of Bibles available – new and previously used and would love to see them go to someone who would could use one.
- There are wheelchairs, walkers, shower seats, and other medical aids stored in the balcony and available for anyone who needs to borrow (or keep) one.
- We collect food anytime for Catonsville Emergency Assistance. You can drop it off to the cart by the elevator.
- We also collect items for babies and children for Safe Families. You can donate clean clothing and toys in good shape, as well as diapers and daily used items.
- The choir would love to have new members. If you like to sing, contact the Choir Director, Don Fries.

For any of the above,  
contact Kathy at 410-747-1886 or [cumc21228@verizon.net](mailto:cumc21228@verizon.net)  
or Misty at [mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org](mailto:mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org)

## I Love to Tell the Story

- 1 I love to tell the story of unseen things above,  
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.  
I love to tell the story because I know it's true;  
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

### Refrain:

I love to tell the story; 'twill be my theme in glory  
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

- 2 I love to tell the story; more wonderful it seems  
Than all the golden fancies of all our golden dreams.  
I love to tell the story, it did so much for me;  
and that is just the reason I tell it now to thee. [Refrain]
- 3 I love to tell the story, 'tis pleasant to repeat  
What seems, each time I tell it more wonderfully sweet.  
I love to tell the story for some have never heard  
The message of salvation from God's own holy Word. [Refrain]
- 4 I love to tell the story, for those who know it best  
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it like the rest.  
And when in scenes of glory I sing the new, new song,  
'twill be the old, old story that I have loved so long. [Refrain]

## Be Thou My Vision

- 1 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2 Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;  
I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord.  
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,  
Great God of heaven, my treasure thou art.
- 3 Great God of heaven, my victory won.  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

## **Take My Life, and Let It Be**

- 1 Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee.  
Take my moments and my days; let them flow in endless praise.  
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love.  
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee.
  
- 2 Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King.  
Take my lips and let them be filled with messages from thee.  
Take my silver and my gold; not a mite would I withhold.  
Take my intellect and use every power as thou shalt choose,
  
- 3 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine.  
Take my heart it is thine own; it shall be thy royal throne,  
Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store.  
Take myself, and I will be ever, only, all for thee,