

Celebration of Worship

Sunday, November 27, 2022

10:00 a.m.

**Indicates the Congregation is asked to stand*

First Sunday in Advent

*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 *Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying* Johann Sebastian Bach
(based on Hymn #720)

Choral Introit *An Introit for Advent* Rachel Aarons
*Come, Thou Redeemer of the earth, and manifest thy holy birth,
Let every age adoring fall, such birth befits the God of All.*

***Opening Hymn – No. 718** *Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending*

***Call to Worship**

Leader: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

People: **Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord.**

Leader: Let us learn God's way and walk in God's paths.

People: **Come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!**

***Opening Prayer**

**Merciful God, you sent your messengers the prophets
to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation.
Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins,
that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ, our
Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

***Gloria Patri – No. 71**

Words of Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the attendance register in your pew.)

Lighting of the First Advent Candle: Hope

Sung Response – No. 196 (v. 1)

Come, thou long-expected Jesus, born to set thy people free; from our fears and sins release us, let us find our rest in thee. Israel's strength and consolation, hope of all the earth thou art; dear desire of every nation, joy of every longing heart.

Chancel Choir

Keep Your Lamps!

Spiritual

arr. Andre Thomas

*“Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't get weary, 'til your work is done.
Christian journey soon be over, the time is drawing nigh.
Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.”*

Morning Prayer

**God of glory,
we know that you are coming at an unexpected hour.
Come to us now, in spirit and truth.
Bring us into your presence,
and make us ready for your reign of peace;
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer

The Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Improvisation on “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”* Burkhardt

***Presentation of the Offering – No. 94** *Praise God*

***Hymn of Preparation – No. 204** *Emmanuel, Emmanuel*

***Gospel Reading**

Matthew 24:36-44

Sermon

Don't Get Taken

Rev. David Jacobson

***Closing Hymn – No. 211 (v. 1-4)**

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

***Dismissal with Blessing**

Choral Response *I Him There is No Darkness* Kathleen Thomerson

*In Him there is no darkness at all. The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God. Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

Postlude

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Robert Powell

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Intercessory Prayer Concerns

For the week of November 27th:

Bryce Doxzon	Melody Stump	Joan McFarland
Bob Sansbury	Hazel Sosa	Janice Arcieri
Bill Sneeringer	Max Wiener	Tom Flinn
Barbara	Bill Mercier	

*A Memorial Service will be held for Tom Edwards
on Saturday, December 10, 2022.*

This week we will pray for: *Myanmar, Thailand*

We give **thanks** for:

- the beauty of these countries and their people, and their many distinctive Buddhist temples
- those who long have struggled that these countries might become more democratic
- the faithful witness of churches, which have advocated with others for greater justice
- efforts to protect the environment and resources in these countries.

We **pray** for:

- minority ethnic and religious groups who continue to experience discrimination, persecution or even genocide (such as the Rohingyas), and for greater interfaith understanding and tolerance for ethnic and religious diversity
- those victimized by sex tourism and exploitation, and those who perpetuate such acts
- political stability and progress toward democratic rule
- economic justice for all people, and environmental protection, as these countries undergo development.

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

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

Contemporary Worship Celebration



Opening Song: *"Great Are You Lord"*

Welcome & Birthdays

Karen Higby

Words of Praise: Psalm 9: 1-2 (NLT)

Mary Coates

Praise & Worship:

"How Great is Your Love"

"10,000 Reasons"

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

Offering & Music Video:

"For God is With Us" - for King and Country

Announcements, Joys & Concerns

Prayer and Reflection

Scripture Reading: Matthew 24:36-44

Message:

"Don't Get Taken" - David Jacobson

Closing Song: *"All Creatures of Our God and King"*

Week of November 27 – December 3, 2022

Sunday

8:30 a.m.	Blended Worship	11:15 a.m.	Jr. Choir, 206
9:45 a.m.	Bible Study, 211	1:30 p.m.	A.A., 206
10:00 a.m.	Traditional Worship	3:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 2499, 204-5
10:00 a.m.	Sunday School	7:00 p.m.	Praise Service
10:00 a.m.	Swahili Worship	7:00p.m.	Crew 307, SR
11:00 a.m.	Youth Play rehearsal		

Monday – Pastor David’s Sabbath

7:00 p.m.	Bible Study, Library	7:00 p.m.	Round Dance, SH
7:00 p.m.	BSA 307G, SR	7:00 p.m.	BS Review Board, 206

Tuesday

10:30 a.m.	Bible Study, Library	4:30 p.m.	Girl Scouts 884, SR
11:00 a.m.	Prayer Time	7:00 p.m.	BSA 307B, SR, Kit.
1:30 p.m.	Grief Group, Library	7:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 2188, 204
4:30 p.m.	Daisies, Kitchen	8:00 p.m.	A.A., 305

Wednesday

11:30 a.m.	Warm Welcome Lunch	6:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts, 202-5, SR
12:00 p.m.	Men’s Bible Study, Lib.	7:00 p.m.	Bible Study, 211
1:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawls, Library	7:00 p.m.	Finance Committee, 208

Thursday

4:00 p.m.	Catonsville Co-op, PL	6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 2499, 305
4:15 p.m.	Girl Scouts 178, SR	7:00 p.m.	Square Dance, SH
6:00 p.m.	Steps of Hope, BR	7:00 p.m.	Grief Group, Library
6:00 p.m.	Girl Scouts 1640, SR	7:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir

Friday

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

8:00 a.m.	Methodist Girls	12:00 p.m.	AA, 208
8:00 a.m.	GS Workshop, SH	1:00 p.m.	Accordion Club, 211
9:00 a.m.	BS Wreath Sale, PL	2:00 p.m.	Painting Class, SH

The flowers on the altar are given by Judy & Chuck Gehrman in loving memory of their parents, Frances & Gus Stewart and Augie & Louise Gehrman.

The bulletins are given in loving memory of Virginia & Karl Varner and Craig Varner by their family.

Serving today:	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>
Greeters:	Pat & Ed Johnson	
Interpreter:		Diane Will
Lector:		Chuck Gehrman
Steward:	Chris Kennedy	

Large-print bulletins are available from the greeters & ushers. Please let them know if you would like one.

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 is available on TV.

A new Bible study on Sunday mornings - Learn about the 10 Most Misunderstood Verses in the Bible on Sundays from 9:45 – 11:00 a.m. in Room 211. Read and learn from the Bible, watch a short video, and engage in an interesting discussion.

The Brass Reflections (Jim Wharton's brass quintet) will be joining us for the 10:00 Morning Worship on Sunday, December 11th.

Mustard Seed Project - The Mustard Seed Project is the sale of homemade arts and crafts. All proceeds are donated to the Missions Committee for use far and wide. This year we will only be able to sell food that is prepared in a certified kitchen, no homemade food items. We will collect items in the library on December 4th from 9:15 – 10:15. The sale will take place on December 11th from 9:00 – 12:00. For more information, please contact Mary Coates at mascoates@rocketmail.com.

Mitten Trees - As a new advent season of thanksgiving begins, remember the needs of others that may be right next to us. One tree will be located in the church sanctuary & one downstairs in the social hall for your gifts of hats, gloves, mittens, scarfs, & socks for school ages children of the Catonsville areas. Trees will remain up through the first week of January until your gifts are distributed. May God's comfort warm you throughout our holidays of love.

Holiday assistance - CUMC will once again partner with Catonsville Emergency Assistance (CEA) to provide holiday assistance to Catonsville families in need by providing Walmart gift cards in \$25 & \$50 increments for families to purchase food, gifts and necessities for their children. Gift cards or cash/check donations marked "Holiday Missions" can be left with the office or in the locked mailbox outside of the elevator tower, or through the church website by selecting the "Holiday Missions" fund.

Need to drop off your Christmas Cards for Kids? The collection box is on the counter in the church office. Thank you for sending Christmas joy to the kids and supporting the Guatemala VIM. For more info, please contact Anne Sommer, acsommer1083@gmail.com, (410) 300-0225.

Paint for Hope, Steps of Hope, that is. Paint under the direction of Ed Johnson and enjoy chatting with Jessalyn Waddell on Saturday, December 3rd from 3-5 p.m. Choose from numerous nature photos or bring your own. All supplies provided. Wear old clothes, the paint is permanent. Beginners are welcome. For ages 9 – adult, (under 16 with an adult). Cost is \$25, however additional donations are appreciated. Pay at the door with exact cash or check payable to Steps of Hope. Reservations required mascoates@rocketmail.com.

Warm Welcome Lunch is served every Wednesday, 11:30-1:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Good food and warm fellowship! Donations are accepted, but not expected. Bring a friend! Spread the word!

Wreaths Across America has a goal to place a wreath at each of Baltimore National Cemetery's 37,000 gravesites. If you're interested in sponsoring a wreath for \$15, contact Sharon Loving at slloving@verizon.net or 410-747-4750 by November 29th.

Steps of Hope fundraiser at Peace of Pizza, December 14th from 3-7 p.m. Mark your calendar! The restaurant will donate 20% of your sales if you mention Steps of Hope at checkout. They appreciate it if you call in your order earlier that day at 410-747-2255.

On December 10th at 2 p.m., Marcina Garner (former musician here at CUMC) will host a Holiday Recital at The Baltimore Worship Center CLGI, 627 Edmondson Avenue, Catonsville. The event is free, and open to musicians young and old who would like to perform. Sign up at kamesepro.com by 11/30

Please consider supporting Boy Scout Troop 307 with their annual Wreath & Greens Fundraiser from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on December 3rd and 10th. There will be wreaths, pine rope, and miscellaneous greens to decorate for Christmas. Location is the parking lot across from the Post 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.

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

Tuesday daytime Grief Support Group at 1:30 p.m. in the Library

Wednesday afternoon for Men at noon in Room 211

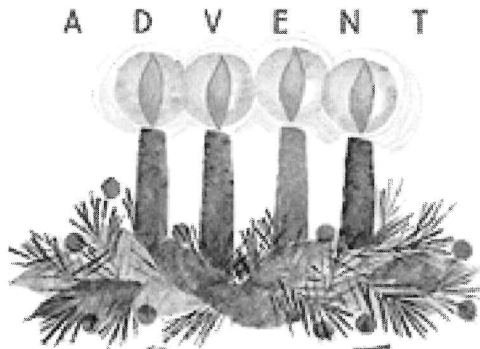
Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. in Room 211

Thursday Bible Journaling/Coloring & Crafts, 6:30 p.m. in 211

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

Contact mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org for more information.

Please Join Us for an Advent Gathering



○ come · ○ come · Emmanuel

Sunday, December, 4th
6:00 – 7:00 PM

All are welcome!
Enjoy making an Advent craft together.
Desserts too!

Plan to stay to worship
at the evening service at 7:00 PM.

Hope to see you!
Catonsville UMC
Social Hall

Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

- 1 Lo! He comes with clouds descending,
once for favored sinner slain;
thousand, thousand saints attending
swell the triumph of his train:
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
God appears on earth to reign.
- 2 Every eye shall now behold him
robed in dreadful majesty;
those who set at naught and sold him,
pierced and nailed him to the tree,
deeply wailing, deeply wailing, deeply wailing,
shall the true Messiah see.
- 3 The dear tokens of his passion
still his dazzling body bears,
cause of endless exultation
to his ransomed worshipers.
With what rapture, with what rapture, with what rapture,
gaze we on those glorious scars!
- 4 Yea, amen, let all adore thee
high on thy eternal throne;
Savior, take the power and glory,
claim the kingdom for thine own.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Everlasting God, come down!!

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,
born to set thy people free;
from our fears and sins release us,
let us find our rest in thee.
Israel's strength and consolation,
hope of all the earth thou art;
dear desire of every nation, joy
of every longing heart.

Emmanuel, Emmanuel

Emmanuel, Emmanuel,
his name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us,
His name is called Emmanuel.

O Come, O Come Emmanuel

- 1 O come, O come, Emmanuel,
and ransom captive Israel
that mourns in lonely exile here
until the Son of God appear.

Refrain:

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
shall come to you, O Israel.

- 2 O come, thou Wisdom from on high,
and order all things far and nigh;
to us the path of knowledge show
and cause us in her ways to go. Refrain
- 3 O come, O come, great Lord of might,
who to thy tribes on Sinai's height
in ancient times once gave the law
in cloud and majesty and awe. Refrain
- 4 O come, thou Branch of Jesse's tree,
an ensign of thy people be;
before thee rulers silent fall;
all peoples on thy mercy call. Refrain