

Blended Worship Service

Sunday, March 12, 2023

8:30 a.m.

**People Standing*

***Gathering and Singing**

*God So Loved
Glorious Day*

***Welcome and Announcements**

Please sign the attendance register in your pew.

Prayer Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

Closer

Morning Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Epistle Reading

Romans 5:1-11

Message

Good News Through Difficult Times

Rev. David Jacobson

***Response**

*Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)
How He Loves*

***Benediction**

Offering plates are available as you leave.

Words of Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the attendance register in your pew.)

Jr. Choir Anthem

What Wondrous Love

Charles Dupree
American Folk Hymn

*What wondrous love is this, O my soul, that caused the Lord of bliss to lay
aside his crown for my soul, for my soul, to lay aside his crown for my soul?*

*To God and to the Lamb, I will sing; to God and to the Lamb who is the great
I AM I will sing, I will sing; while millions join the theme, I will sing.*

*And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; and when from death I'm free, I'll
sing and joyful be, and through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on; and through
eternity, I'll sing on.*

Morning Prayer

God of the covenant, in the glory of the cross your Son embraced the
power of death and broke its hold over your people.

In this time of repentance, draw all people to yourself, that we who
confess Jesus as Lord may put aside the deeds of death
and accept the life of your kingdom. Amen.

Quiet Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

The Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

For My Soul Thirsteth for God

Felix Mendelssohn

For my soul thirsteth for God, yea, for the living God;

when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

(Psalm 42: 2)

*Presentation of the Offering – No. 95

Praise God

Epistle Reading

Romans 5:1-11

Pew Bible p. 914

***Hymn of Faith – No. 365** *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*

Sermon *Good News Through Difficult Times* Rev. David Jacobson

***Closing Hymn – No. 363** *And Can It Be That I Should Gain*

***Dismissal with Blessing**

Choral Response *Bless Us, O Lord* Mark Schweizer
*Bless us, O Lord as we leave this place, for here we have found your mercy
and grace. Keep us always in your care, our hearts in love, our lives in
prayer. Amen.* (Mary Gore)

Postlude *Variation on “Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”* Hal Hopson

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Intercessory Prayer Concerns

For the week of March 12th:

Georgia Baschenis	Jeff Farley	Brenda Sutton
Bill Sneeringer	Max Wiener	Jane
Barbara	Bill Mercier	Dave Bailey

Our Confirmands: Allana, Austen, Ava, Ben, Luke, Jeremiah

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Bob Sansbury who went to be with the Lord on February 10, 2023.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, March 17th at 11 a.m.

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Tom Flinn, Jr. who went to be with the Lord on February 14, 2023.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, March 24th at 11 a.m.

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Alva Smith-Grubb who went to be with the Lord on March 2, 2023.

This week we will pray for: ***Denmark, Faroe Islands, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden***

We are thankful for:

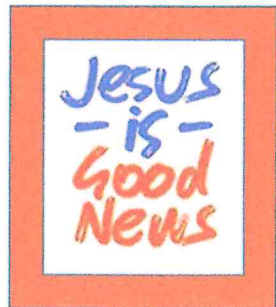
- the spectacular beauty of the changing landscape of forests, lakes, mountains and glaciers
- churches that are advocating and implementing measures to redress climate change that is dramatic here and throughout the world
- those who have opened their doors and hearts to people migrating to these lands
- 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 12, 2023 ~ 7:00 p.m.



**Contemporary
Worship
Celebration**

Opening Song: *"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"*

Welcome & Birthdays

Karen Higby

Words of Praise: Psalm 31: 1-2 (NLT)

Mary Coates

Praise & Worship:

"Draw Me Close to You"

"Jesus Loves Me"

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

Offering & Music Video:

"Stay Strong" - Danny Gokey

Announcements, Joys & Concerns

Prayer and Reflection

Scripture Reading: Romans 5: 1-11

Message:

"Good News through Difficult Times" - David Jacobson

Closing Song: *"Your Great Name"*

Week of March 12 - 18, 2023

Sunday

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| 8:30 a.m. Blended Service | 11:15 a.m. Jr. Choir, 206 |
| 9:45 a.m. Study of Romans, 211 | 1:30 p.m. A.A., 206 |
| 10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship | 2:30 p.m. Cub Scouts, SH |
| 10:00 a.m. Sunday School | 3:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 2499, 204-5 |
| 11:00 a.m. Swahili Worship | 7:00 p.m. Praise Service |

Monday – Pastor David’s Sabbath

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| 6:45 p.m. Catonsville Co-Op. SH | 7:00 p.m. Bible Study, Library |
| 7:00 p.m. BSA 307G, SR | |

Tuesday

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| 10:30 a.m. Bible Study, Library | 7:00 p.m. Ad Council, Parlor |
| 11:00 a.m. Prayer Time | 7:00 p.m. BSA 307B, SR |
| 1:30 p.m. Grief Group, Library | 7:00 p.m. Girl Scout Leaders, 206 |
| 4:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 884, SR | 8:00 p.m. A.A., 305 |
| 6:30 p.m. Stephens Ministers, 211 | |

Wednesday

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| 11:30 a.m. Warm Welcome Lunch | 7:00 p.m. Bible Study, 211 |
| 1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawls, Library | 7:00 p.m. Round Dance, SH |
| 6:30 p.m. Cubs 307, 202-5, SR | 7:30 p.m. Trustees, Library |

Thursday

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| 4:15 p.m. Girl Scouts 178, SR | 6:30 p.m. Bible Study, 206 |
| 5:30 p.m. Thrive Thursday, SH | 7:00 p.m. Abigail Circle |
| 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 2499, 305 | 7:00 p.m. Grief Group, Library |
| 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 1640, SR | 7:00 p.m. Journaling, 211 |
| 6:00 p.m. Confirmation Class | 7:30 p.m. Choir, 209 |

Friday

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| 11:00 a.m. Bob Sansbury Memorial | 9:00 p.m. HS Youth, SC |
| 7:30 p.m. MS Youth, SH | |

Saturday

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| 8:00 a.m. Methodist Girls | 10:00 a.m. Sewing Guild, 211 |
| 9:00 a.m. Ballroom Dance, SH | 12:00 p.m. AA, 208 |

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
Interpreters:		Sandy Brown Ronisha Green
Lector:		Judy Loar
Steward:	Amelia Troll	

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.

Warm Welcome Lunch is served every Wednesday, 11:30-1:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. Good food and warm fellowship! Bring a friend!

2023 Offering Envelopes have not arrived from the printer due to delays in supplies and workers. If you received a letter from the financial secretary, please use that number on your check or on a plain envelope. If you did not receive a letter changing your number, use the same number as last year on your check or a plain envelope.

Do you have a gift for hospitality? We need you! Please consider becoming a host/hostess for the casual reception time following the 8:30 AM and 10:00 AM services. Helping involves arriving a few minutes before the service to set out the cookies. That's all (besides being a warm and inviting person)! Please email mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org to claim your Sunday.

Administrative Council will meet on Tuesday, March 14th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Parlor.

United Methodist Men's Annual Spaghetti Dinner is scheduled for Saturday, April 15th from 4 till 7 p.m. Please mark your calendars. Tickets will go on sale in the middle of March. We will need helpers to prepare and serve food, as well as wait tables and clean up. If you'd like to help, please call or text Tom at 443-519-3056.

Please join us for a 6-week study of the book of Romans, at 9:45 a.m. in Room 211! In this study, based on his bestselling book *In the Grip of Grace*, author and pastor Max Lucado will guide us through this letter from Paul to the Romans, revealing what the apostle's words meant to his original readers and how they apply to us today. Unable to join us in person every week, not a problem! Weekly videos may be streamed online for free with the access code provided in your study guide. Please contact Caitlin Millar at cmillar219@yahoo.com if you would like to attend or with any questions.

The Flamingos are returning to Catonsville UMC!!!! The youth group will again be doing our Flocking fundraiser beginning in April. Details and order forms will be available in late February. Start thinking now who would LOVE to have 15 pink flamingos show up in their yard.

Night of Peace Can Use Your Help - Night of Peace is a homeless shelter in the Windsor Mill area. Their mission is to provide year-round emergency shelter for homeless families with children. Their goal is to provide food, shelter, and support in a safe environment while families work to transition to permanent housing. You can help with their ongoing list of needs with items like: snacks, kids and women's socks and underwear, diapers, cereal, laundry detergent, trash bags, etc. A full wishlist is posted outside of Loriann Hughes' office. Donations can be dropped off in the box outside her office.

The church office operates 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.

THRIVE THURSDAY

is THIS WEEK!

**On the Third Thursday
Once a month
Dinner, Prayer, and Worship
All in the Social Hall**

Join us!

5:30 – 7:00 PM

March 16th

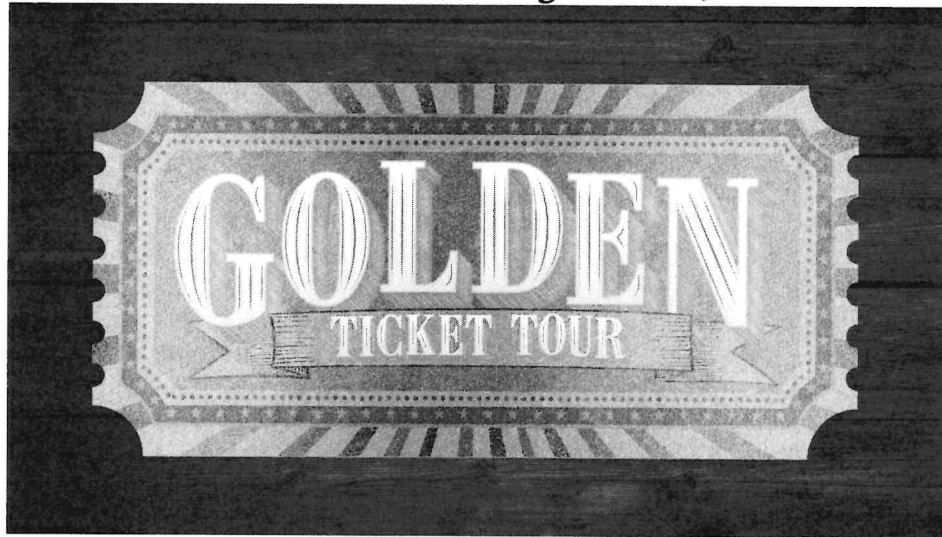
**(Teriyaki chicken and rice,
roasted broccoli, dessert)**

Future Dates:

April 20th, May 18th

Spring Fæst

Featuring a
Golden Ticket Tour
(For everyone!)



April 2nd

11:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Join after Sunday School or church!
Have a light lunch, make an Easter craft,
enjoy activities, games, prizes, candy,
& help with a service project.

CUMC Social Hall

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

- 1 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,
pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but thou art mighty;
hold me with thy powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven,
feed me till I want no more,
feed me till I want no more.

- 2 Open now the crystal fountain
whence the healing stream doth flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar
lead me all my journey through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer,
be thou still my strength and shield,
be thou still my strength and shield.

- 3 When I tread the verge of Jordan,
bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction,
land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs of praises, songs of praises
I will ever give to thee,
I will ever give to thee.

Grace Greater Than Our Sin

- 1 Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!
Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured,
There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.
- Refrain:
Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace,
Grace that is greater than all our sin!
- 2 Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold,
Threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
Points to the Refuge, the mighty Cross. [Refrain]

- 3 Dark is the stain that we cannot hide.
What can avail to wash it away?
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide,
Brighter than snow you may be today.
- 4 Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,
Freely bestowed on all who believe!
All who are longing to see His face,
Will you this moment His grace receive? [Refrain]

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

- 1 And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior's blood!
Died He for me? who caused His pain!
For me? who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be
That Thou, my God, should die for me?
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- 2 'Tis mystery all: Th'Immortal dies!
Who can explore His strange design?
In vain the firstborn seraph tries
To sound the depths of love divine!
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,
Let angel minds inquire no more.
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- 3 He left His Father's throne above,
So free, so infinite His grace;
Emptied Himself of all but love,
And bled for Adam's helpless race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;
For, O my God, it found out me.
- 4 Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;

My chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth and followed Thee.
My chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth and followed Thee.

- 5 No condemnation now I dread;
Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head,
And clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.
Bold I approach th'eternal throne,
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.