

Blended Worship Service

Sunday, March 10, 2024

8:30 a.m.

**People Standing*

***Gathering and Singing**

*God So Loved
In Christ Alone*

***Welcome and Announcements**

Prayer Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

Closer

Morning Prayer

Lord's Prayer

***Gospel Reading**

John 3:14-21

Message

How Did We Get Here?

Jeff D'Arcy

Guatemala Mission Trip 2024

***Response**

*The Way
This Is Amazing Grace*

***Benediction**

Offering plates are available as you leave.

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

Praise God

***Hymn of Peace – No. 437**

This Is My Song

***Gospel Reading**

John 3:14-21 (Pew Bible p. 862)

Sermon

How Did We Get Here?

Jeff D'Arcy

Guatemala Mission Team Sharing

Closing Hymn – No. 408

The Gift of Love

***Benediction**

Choral Benediction *God Be with You* Ralph Vaughan Williams

*God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you: God be with you till we meet again.*

(Text: Jeremiah Rankin)

Postlude

Voluntary

John Alcock

Streaming Permissions for 10:00 Service

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Donald L. Fries - Director of Music & Organist

Intercessory Prayer Concerns

For the week of March 10th:

Martha Lomberg	Brenda Sutton	Judy Mengers	Deb Henkel
Greg Martin	Roger Atkinson	Debbie Hobbs Klar	Judy Durfey
Sandra – SOH	Lauren Geller		

Our Confirmands: Ally, Chris, Ellie, Emery, John, Johnny,
Peyton, Reed, Sam

Prayer request: The Staff Parish Relations Committee requests that you join us in praying over the appointment of an Associate Pastor for our church. We pray for the Holy Spirit to lead a person to us whose gifts match our needs and to give us grace to wait with patient trust in God's perfect timing.

*This week we lift up the countries of **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 10, 2024 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Contemporary Praise Celebration

*How
did we get
here?*

Opening Song: *"Good Good Father"*

Welcome & Birthdays

Karen Higby

Words of Praise: Psalm 96: 1 - 3

Mary Coates

Praise & Worship:

"Jesus Does"

"House of the Lord"

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

Offering & Video:

Guatemala Mission Trip 2024

Announcements, Joys & Concerns

Prayer and Reflection

Scripture Reading:

John 3: 14 - 21

Message:

"How Did We Get Here?": Jeff D'Arcy

Closing Song: *"I Will Follow"*

Week of March 10 - 16, 2024

Sunday

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| 8:30 a.m. Blended Service | 11:00 a.m. Swahili Service, SH |
| 10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship | 1:30 p.m. A.A., 206 |
| 10:00 a.m. Sunday School | 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 126/1380, SR |
| 10:00 a.m. Lenten Study, 211 | 7:00 p.m. Praise Service |
| 11:00 a.m. Junior Choir, 206 | |

Monday – Pastor David’s Sabbath

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| 7:00 p.m. Bible Study, Library | 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 307G, SR |
| 7:00 p.m. Round Dance, SH | 7:00 p.m. PEO, 211 |

Tuesday

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| 10:30 a.m. Bible Study, Library | 7:00 p.m. Girl Scout Leaders, 208 |
| 11:00 p.m. Prayer Time | 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 307B, SR, SH |
| 1:30 p.m. Grief Group, Library | 7:00 p.m. Ad Council, Parlor |
| 4:30 p.m. Daisy 884, SR | 8:00 p.m. A.A., 206 |
| 6:30 p.m. Stephens Ministers, 211 | |

Wednesday

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| 10:00 a.m. Music Together, 206 | 6:45 p.m. Catonsville Co-Op, SH |
| 11:30 a.m. Warm Welcome Lunch, SH | 7:00 p.m. Bible Study, 211 |
| 1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawls, Library | 7:00 p.m. Coin Club, 208 |
| 6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts, 202-5. 305-6 | 7:00 p.m. Toastmasters, 206 |

Thursday

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| 1:00 p.m. Deborah Circle, 211 | 7:00 p.m. Abigail Circle, 211 |
| 4:30 p.m. Brownies 178, SR | 7:00 p.m. Grief Group, Library |
| 6:00 p.m. Confirmation, 201 | 7:00 p.m. Square Dance, SH |
| 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 1640/2499 | 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir, 209 |

Friday

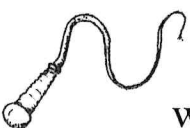
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| 7:30 p.m. MS Youth, SH | 8:45 p.m. HS Youth, SC |
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Saturday

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| 8:00 a.m. Methodist Girls | 10:00 a.m. Sewing Guild, 211 |
| 8:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Study, 211 | 12:00 p.m. AA, 208 |
| 9:00 a.m. Ballroom Dance, SH | 3:00 p.m. Memorial Service |
| 9:00 a.m. Catonsville, Co-Op, 102-5 | |

Fourth Sunday of Lent – The Whip

We remember that Jesus suffered for us, that we sometimes will have to suffer for our faith, that Christianity is not always easy.



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

The bulletins are given in thanks to all CUMC congregation members by the Girl Scouts of Community 51 in appreciation for your support.

Serving today:	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>
Greeters:	Judy Mengers	Betty & Mike Taylor
Acolyte:		Julia Strong
Interpreter:		Sandy Brown
Lector:		Dick Henkel
Nursery:	Julia Hurlock and Deborah Hurlock	
Steward:	Chris Kennedy	

Large-print bulletins are available from the greeters & ushers.

Catonsville United Methodist Church is excited to announce that the Nursery will be staffed again! Starting today, there will be volunteers and staff in Room 210 to watch children 3 or younger so parents can enjoy the service! Are you interested in helping refurbish the Nursery? We are looking for toy donations of used or new in good condition for young toddlers or babies! Please contact Julia Hurlock if you have any questions about donations! We are looking for volunteers to help staff the nursery! If you're interested please email Julia Hurlock, the Nursery Attendant, at juliah02@comcast.net.

On March 17th, we will have **Bibles and Babies Sunday!** Students in the 3rd Grade will receive their own special Bible and we will honor all babies born into the Catonsville UMC family within the past year. Do you have a 3rd grader or a baby in your family? Please contact Misty at mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org so we make sure to have their name.

Save the Date! -The UM Men's Spaghetti Dinner will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2024.

Administrative Council will meet on Tuesday, March 12th at 7 p.m. in the Parlor.

A Memorial Service for Ernie Mullinix will be held on Saturday, March 16th. The visitation time will start at 2 p.m. with the Memorial Service following at 3 p.m.

Join us for a **Ladies of All Ages Fellowship Tea** on Saturday, April 13th from 12:30 – 3:30 PM. Gather together your family and friends for a lovely afternoon! Come and join a table and meet some new friends. Tickets will be available to purchase beginning March 10th. If you would like to offer a hand for prep or clean up, please contact Joanne Feustle, Jillian Mosier, or Misty Troll.

Our next **Thrive Thursday** will be on March 21st – mark your calendars! It takes many helpers to put Thrive Thursday together; would you please consider helping in a small or big way? We need people to stay at the end to clean up chairs, tables, and dishes. Could you help at the next Thrive Thursday? Please let Misty or Pastor David know you'd like to get more involved with Thrive Thursday.

Vacation Bible School is coming July 29th – August 2nd from 9:00 a.m. – Noon. Registration will be available soon. We need many adult helpers to make it happen! We have most leaders set, now we need some adult “Ranger” volunteers. These adults are the main adult that stays with an age group of children during VBS, helping, encouraging, and overseeing them. You do not have anything to prepare, or buy, or do other than showing up at 8:45 AM and caring for the children until Noon. It is a perfect job for a parent or grandparent who would like to stay around and experience the excitement of VBS. And we are also looking for some energetic, helpful teenagers too! Contact Misty (mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org) to sign up. Thank you!

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.

New Lent Bible Study! Join with others during the five weeks of Lent for “The Third Day” Bible study. A study written by Tom Berlin – “Join Peter, Mary Magdalene, and Thomas as they feel the despair of losing Jesus and the surprise and joy that awaits them in the resurrection.” The study meets at 10:00 a.m. in Room 211 and runs each Sunday through Palm Sunday. Interested in learning more? Please contact Misty (mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org) or just show up.

Men's Retreat – We will be having a men's retreat from Friday, April 12th through Sunday, April 14th at West River Retreat Center. Together, we'll complete the 321 Course, exploring the story of God, the world, and you, in a fresh perspective. We have a total of sixteen spaces available for the retreat and urge interested men from the congregation to call Bill Jones at 410-703-5304 or e-mail at wjonesesfj@comcast.net to reserve your spot. The cost will be about \$131. There is going to be lots of time for fun and fellowship so please plan to attend.

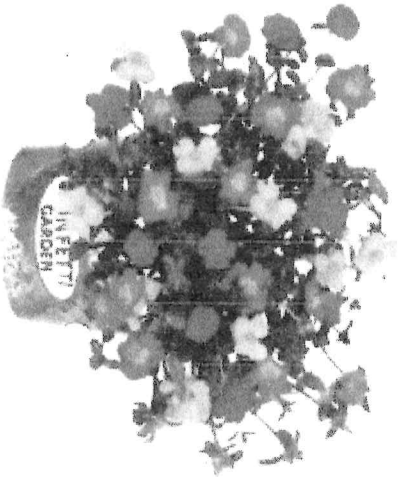
Come check out what's new in the library! Our media center is now ready with cassette and CD players that are able to be used in the library. The library is open every Sunday, and the librarian is available every other Sunday and Thursdays during church office hours. Hope to see you soon!

Have you captured a photo of something beautiful happening at church? Please send photos and information about what happened to Michael at mediacatonsvilleumc@gmail.com. We love to share what God is doing!

2024 Offering Envelopes are ready to pick-up in the parlor. Offering envelopes were prepared in response to a returned pledge card. Please contact the church office if you would like a box of envelopes and there is not a box for you.

Our Vision Statement

We seek to be a hospitable and vibrant intergenerational community steeped in prayer and scripture and empowered by the Holy Spirit to make disciples of Jesus Christ, sharing the blessings of the kingdom of God in Catonsville and beyond.



2024 Crew 307

Flower Sale

Help your local co-ed

BSA Venture Crew

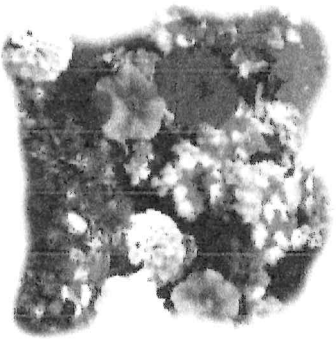
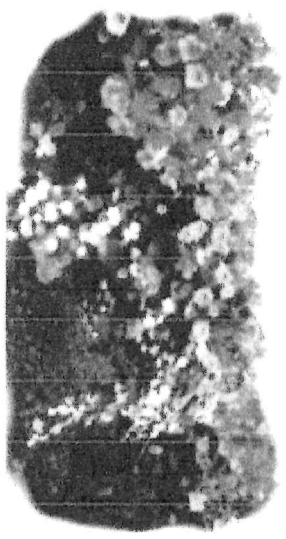
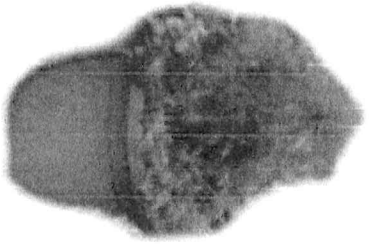
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Love Divine All Loves Excelling

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down;
fix in us thy humble dwelling;
all thy faithful mercies crown!
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation;
enter every trembling heart.
2. Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast!
Let us all in thee inherit;
let us find that second rest.
Take away our bent to sinning;
Alpha and Omega be;
end of faith, as its beginning,
set our hearts at liberty.
3. Come, Almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
4. Finish, then, thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be.
Let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee;
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

This Is My Song

- 1 This is my song O God of all the nations
A song of peace for lands afar and mine
This is my home the country where my heart is
Here are my hopes my dreams my holy shrine
But other hearts in other lands are beating
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine

- 2 My country's skies are bluer than the ocean
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine
But other lands have sunlight too and clover
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine
O hear my song Thou God of all nations
A song of peace for their land and for mine
- 3 This is my prayer O Lord of all earth's kingdoms
Thy kingdom come on earth Thy will be done
Let Christ be lifted up till all shall serve Him
And hearts united learn to live as one
O hear my prayer Thou God of all nations
Myself I give Thee let Thy will be done

Gift of Love

- 1 Though I may speak with bravest fire,
and have the gift of all inspire,
and have not love, my words are vain,
as sounding brass, and hopeless gain.
- 2 Though I may give all I possess,
and striving so my love profess,
but not be given by love within,
the profit soon turns strangely thin.
- 3 Come, Spirit, come, our hearts control,
our spirits long to be made whole.
Let inward love guide every deed;
by this we worship, and are freed.