

Celebration of Worship

Sunday, June 16, 2024

10:00 a.m.

**Indicates the Congregation is asked to stand*

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

*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

Trumpet Tune

Douglas Wagner

***Opening Hymn – No. 568**

Christ for the World We Sing

***Words of Worship**

Leader: We gather together in the presence of our God, who renews our strength.

People: **We come with our weaknesses, seeking God's power.**

Leader: In Christ, we are a new creation; the old has passed away.

People: **We embrace the new life He has given us.**

Leader: Though we may feel frail and burdened, God's power is made perfect in our weakness.

People: **We trust in God's grace to sustain and transform us.**

Leader: Let us rejoice in the hope and renewal found in Christ.

People: **We lift our hearts in praise to our mighty God, who makes all things new.**

Opening Prayer (Collect for Purity)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

***Gloria Patri – No. 70**

Words of Welcome and Announcements

Morning Prayer

Today we pray for our fathers, who have given us life and love. We pray for fathers who have lost a child through death, that their faith may give them hope, and their family and friends support and console them. We pray for men, though without children of their own, who have nurtured and cared for us like fathers. We pray for fathers, who have been unable to be a source of strength, who have not responded to their children, and have not sustained their families. God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with deep respect. We pray this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Quiet Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

The Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offering

Offertory *Improvisation on "Blessed Assurance"* Robert Hebble
On the third Sunday of the month, we receive two offerings. The first time the plates come by is the general church offering. The second time is the Benevolence offering, to assist persons in need locally.

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

Epistle Reading 2 Corinthians 5:6-17 (Pew Bible p. 937)

***Hymn of Praise – No. 170** *O How I Love Jesus*

***Gospel Reading** Mark 4:26-34 (Pew Bible p. 815)

Sermon *Strength in Weakness: New Creation, New Strength*
Rev. David Jacobson

Hymn of Communion – No. 383 *This Is a Day of New Beginnings*

Holy Communion - No. 12

Come forward via the center aisle to receive. You may commune immediately after receiving the elements, or you may kneel at the rail to commune. Return to your seat via the side aisles. Please indicate to an usher if you wish to receive communion in your seat. Gluten-free elements are available upon request.

Hymn for Communion - No. 635, 622, 620

Prayer Following Communion

**Eternal God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which
You have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the
world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

***Closing Hymn – No. 369** *Blessed Assurance*

***Dismissal with Blessing**

Postlude

*Italian Hymn
(Christ for the World We Sing)*

Albert L. Travis

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Intercessory Prayer Concerns

For the week of June 16th:

Monica Fisher Brenda Sutton Lauren Geller Judy Durfey
Greg Martin Roger Atkinson Debbie Hobbs Klar Bev Brown
Kathy

Sympathies are extended to the family and friends of Lee DeLong that went to be with the Lord on June 9th. A Memorial Service will be held in July.

This week we lift up the countries of:

Malawi, Zambia

We are **thankful** for:

- the biodiversity and natural wonders in these lands
- church leaders who have spoken out and countered sexual violence and human rights abuses
- those who are dealing with challenges of migrations within, and to, these countries
- stable governance and economies, and rising living standards for many people in recent years.

We **pray** for:

- greater food security for those most vulnerable, especially in times of climate change
- an end to political and economic corruption
- rising standards of living, particularly for those most poor
- an end to exploitation of resources and of the people, especially those who are young and/or female.

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.

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

Sunday, June 16, 2024 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Contemporary Praise Celebration



Opening Song: *"Give Us Clean Hands"*

Welcome & Birthdays: *Karen Higby*

Words of Assurance: Lamentations 3: 22 - 23
Mary Coates

Praise & Worship:
"Change My Heart Oh God"
"Build My Life"

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

Offering & Music Video:
"This Too Shall Pass" - Larry Fleet and Zach Williams

Joys & Concerns
Prayer and Reflection

Scripture Reading:
2 Corinthians 5: 6 - 17

Message: *David Jacobson*
"Strength in Weakness: New Creation, New Strength"

Closing Song: *"Living Hope"*

Week of June 16 - 22, 2024

Sunday

8:30 a.m. Blended Service
10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
11:00 a.m. Swahili Service, SH
1:30 p.m. A.A., 206
7:00 p.m. Praise Service

Monday – Pastor David’s Sabbath

7:00 p.m. Round Dance, SH
7:00 p.m. BSA 307G. SR

Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Bible Study, Library
11:00 a.m. Prayer Time
1:30 p.m. Grief Group, Library
7:00 p.m. Staff-Parish, 211
7:00 p.m. GS Greenhats, 208
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 307B, SR
8:00 p.m. A.A., 206

Wednesday

11:30 a.m. WW Lunch, SH
1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawls, Library
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout 307, 206
7:00 p.m. Lydia Circle

Thursday

5:30 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal
7:00 p.m. Grief Group, Library
7:00 p.m. Square Dance, SH

Friday

4:00 p.m. Wedding

Saturday

8:00 a.m. Methodist Girls
8:30 a.m. Men’s Bible Study, 211
9:00 a.m. Ballroom Dance, SH
12:00 p.m. AA, 208

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The altar flowers are given by Nancy Ahern, celebrating June birthdays: in honor of my daughter Laurie Wiggins (June 11) and in memory of my mother Gladys Veale (June 2) and sister Rev. Sally Daniel (June 12).

The bulletins are given in loving memory of our fathers, Lionel Burgess and Blaine D'Arcy by Donna & Jeff D'Arcy.

Serving today:	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>
Greeters:	Scott Ensor Joanne Feustle	Peggy & Bruce Romenesko
Acolyte:		Reed Strong
Communion Servers:	Scott Ensor Joanne Feustle	Ginger Bartlett Marge Odom Rick Buckingham
Interpreter:		Cheryl Haskins
Lector:		Phil Bowman
Nursery:	Julia Hurlock	
Steward:	Chris Kennedy	

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

Volunteers Needed! CUMC Nursery is seeking enthusiastic experienced volunteers to help out in the Nursery during the 8:30 and 10:00 services. Prior experience with children is preferred. Youth 15 or older can volunteer and earn service hours! Please reach out to Julia Hurlock at juliah02@comcast.net to volunteer or if you have any questions!

VBS Crafts needs your donations and help!

- * Supply request cards may be found on the bulletin board outside of the main office.
- * We will also periodically pin craft prep projects, like cutting, on the bulletin board.

Questions - please contact Christine Call, christinecall@verizon.net, 410-788-4863 or Jennifer Parker, kpbigdog@comcast.net, 410-627-4162.

Mark your calendars to gather together to **“Pray for Our Adult Children” prayer time**: July 18th and August 15th. We will NOT have a June meeting. The prayer time is held in the Upper Room (balcony level on elevator). All are welcome to attend as we pray for children, grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and other loved ones in your life.

Claire Pendleton, our church member who God called to work with IntersVarsity Christian Fellowship at Dickenson College, worshipped with us last week. She requested help for her support and requested recurring gifts. She provided information that if recurring gifts are given by the end of June they will be matched 100%! This is a great way for Claire to reach her goal of full-time service to college students! If you would like to donate, it can be done online at: givetoiv.org/clairependleton. Checks can be made to 'IntersVarsity USA' with her name on the memo line and sent to Claire at 149 Lincoln Street, Carlisle PA, 17013. If you want to make a recurring pledge, inform Claire of the amount so it can be recorded.

Join us for a one room **Summer Sunday School** this summer! July 7th – August 11th at 10:00 a.m. in Room 202. Enjoy different teachers and fun lessons! Ages 3 – those going into 5th grade; all ages in one classroom together. Middle and High school students can be helpers. Contact Misty if you have any questions or if you'd like to help out one Sunday.

Warm Welcome Lunch is almost 2 years old! We serve 30-40 people every week who come for a delicious hot meal. We are in need of another head chef. The requirements are: be kitchen certified (1 day class either online or in person), plan the menu and create a shopping list to feed 60, lead the kitchen team in preparing the meal, make sure food gets served appropriately by kitchen staff, and assist in putting away food and packing dinner for Night of Peace. If interested or have questions, contact Loriann @ 443-794-0805.

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.

Vacation Bible School is coming soon - July 29th - August 2nd, 9 a.m. – noon. Register TODAY! Ages 3 – 6th Graders can enroll at www.catonsvilleumc.org. Would you like to help during VBS? We need adult and teenage teachers, helpers, & greeters. Contact Misty at mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org.

Check out our **Vacation Bible School bulletin board**, downstairs on the office level, across from the Church Office. Would you like to donate some items or gift cards to help offset the costs of VBS? There are many items posted – claim yours this Sunday! If you are a crafty type person, there are cutting projects available too! Thank you for your generosity.

Are you interested in a **6-week Summer Bible Study** with other adults on Sunday morning? We will use Tom Berlin's "Reckless Love: Jesus' Call to Love Our Neighbor" book and videos. We will begin the series on June 30th and will meet in Room 211 from 10-11 a.m. Please let Misty know if you can attend. Books can be purchased on Amazon.

Camp Hope is the high school summer mission trip. This year we will be going July 7-13. The cost is \$450 for a week of ice cream, fun, fellowship, and work on homes for the people of Cumberland and surrounding area. There are still a couple of slots available for anyone 14-19. It can be a life changing week. Contact Loriann for more info or to sign-up.

Interested in enhancing the worship service by serving on the Altar guild? There is an opening for 1 person or a 2-person team for the 2nd Sunday each month. The altar is usually set for the Sunday service on Friday afternoon/evening or sometime on Saturday. This includes setting the flowers, filling the candles and occasionally changing the altar colors. At the conclusion of the 10 a.m. Sunday service, flowers are wrapped and readied for pick up by the donor or for delivery to a shut-in and candles refilled. Training will be provided. Please contact Judy Loar at jkloar@att.net or Clint Scott at hscott@att.net or let Kathy Kluka, office administrator, know of your interest. Thanks for considering this volunteer opportunity.

Baltimore County Christian Workcamp, (BCCW) is July 21-27, 2024. Volunteers are needed to work any time during the scheduled week. Volunteers need to be willing to work to help someone in need, follow directions from a team leader and work safely. All skill levels are welcome. Work might include indoor or outdoor painting, indoor or outdoor general cleanup, ramp/porch repair or construction, other repairs, yard work or hauling debris, etc. You may form your own team or be a member of another team. Donations are gladly accepted to pay for materials in use at the worksites, use the brown envelopes in the pews. BCCW is also looking for worksite referrals which meet the BCCW requirements. See Clint Scott or the BCCW website for information. Additional information of the organization and volunteer registration forms can be found at www.bcchristianworkcamp.org. Workers must pre-register for any of the meals planned for the week. Clint Scott, hcscott@att.net is the local representative of the Workcamp Board.

Rummage Sale - We are grateful for the tremendous support during last year's Rummage Sale, which raised \$6,300. This year's sale is scheduled for October 18th and 19th. Please donate items like housewares, electronics, books, and clean clothing. Pack items in boxes no higher than 14 inches, labeled and closed, or in labeled garbage bags for larger items. Bed linens should be specifically labeled with their size. Drop off donations at the church starting August 4th. Items should be placed on the shelves and carts provided by the elevator on the social hall level. For alternative arrangements, contact Darlene at 410-788-3139 or darlenes@comcast.net. Thank you for your generosity.

Scan the QR code to give online



Christ for the World We Sing

1. Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with loving zeal;
the poor, and them that mourn,
the faint and overborne,
sin-sick and sorrow-worn,
whom Christ doth heal.
2. Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with fervent prayer;
the wayward and the lost,
by restless passions tossed,
redeemed at countless cost,
from dark despair.
3. Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with one accord;
with us the work to share,
with us reproach to dare,
with us the cross to bear,
for Christ our Lord.
4. Christ for the world we sing,
the world to Christ we bring,
with joyful song;
the newborn souls, whose days,
reclaimed from error's ways,
inspired with hope and praise,
to Christ belong.

O How I Love Jesus

- 1 There is a name I love to hear,
I love to sing its worth;
it sounds like music in my ear,
the sweetest name on earth.

Refrain:

O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
O how I love Jesus,
because he first loved me!

- 2 It tells me of a Savior's love,
who died to set me free;
it tells me of his precious blood,
the sinner's perfect plea. [Refrain]
- 3 It tells of one whose loving heart
can feel my deepest woe;
who in each sorrow bears a part
that none can bear below. [Refrain]

This is the Day of New Beginnings

- 1 This is a day of new beginnings,
time to remember and move on,
time to believe what love is bringing,
laying to rest the pain that's gone.
- 2 For by the life and death of Jesus,
God's mighty Spirit, now as then,
can make for us a world of difference,
as faith and hope are born again.
- 3 Then let us, with the Spirit's daring,
step from the past and leave behind
our disappointment, guilt, and grieving,
seeking new paths, and sure to find.
- 4 Christ is alive, and goes before us
to show and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings;
our God is making all things new.
- 5 In faith we'll gather round the table
to taste and share what love can do.
This is a day of new beginnings;
our God is making all things new.

Blessed Assurance

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

Refrain:

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.
(Refrain)
3. Perfect submission, all is at rest;
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.
(Refrain)