

Blended Worship Service

Sunday, June 23, 2024

8:30 a.m.

**People Standing*

***Gathering and Singing**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Goodness of God*

***Welcome and Announcements**

Prayer Joys and Concerns

Call to Prayer

Lord I Need You

Morning Prayer

Lord's Prayer

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 6:1-13

Message

Strength in Weakness: Putting Grace to Good Use

Rev. David Jacobson

***Response**

*It Is Well With My Soul
Build My Life*

***Benediction**

Offering plates are available as you leave.

laughter, teach us to turn to you for all we need, so that we may come to know your presence even in the midst of the trials that surround us. Amen.

Quiet Prayer

Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer

The Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offering

Offertory

Air
(from "12 Pieces for Organ")

Samuel Wesley

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

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 6:1-13 (Pew Bible p. 938)

***Hymn of Preparation – No. 519**

Lift Every Voice and Sing

***Gospel Reading**

Mark 4:35-41 (Pew Bible p. 815)

Sermon

Strength in Weakness: Putting Grace to Good Use

Rev. David Jacobson

Farewell to Don and Marilyn Flook

Pastor: The church is a family. United by the common recognition of Jesus Christ as our Savior, we are all brothers and sisters. And, for a time, Catonsville United Methodist Church is our home. Like every human family, our church family is formed and reformed over time: as members are born, as they die, as members are adopted into our family, and as they leave our congregation for a new home, in a different place. For a time, Don and Marilyn Flook lived with us. We have shared with each other good times and bad, we have shared each other's joys and sorrows, we have

lightened each other's heavy loads. Together we have laughed and cried, together we have worshiped and praised God, together we have lived.

Congregation: We feel sorrow in your leaving, yet we rejoice with you in anticipation of this new phase of your life. We will miss your love and support, yet we know you will add much to the lives of those who will be your new church family, as you have added much to our lives.

Congregation and Pastor: We will pray for you and for the whole family of God.

Pastor: Let us pray: O God, you are the strength and the protector of your people. We humbly place in your hands Don and Marilyn Flook who are about to leave us. Keep and preserve them, O Lord, in all health and safety, both of body and soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Pastor: Go in the peace of Christ. Our prayers go with you. **Amen.**

***Closing Hymn – No. 557** *Blest Be the Tie That Binds*

***Dismissal with Blessing**

Postlude

Gavotte
(from “12 Pieces for Organ”)

Samuel Wesley

Streaming Permissions for 10:00 Service

Blest Be the Tie that Binds
from Songs of Thankfulness and Praise, set 2
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Intercessory Prayer Concerns

For the week of June 23rd:

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

This week we lift up the countries of:
Kenya, Tanzania

We are **thankful** for:

- the abundant wildlife, natural resources and people indigenous to these countries and that they are protected, not exploited
- the literacy rate in Kenya, the highest in Africa, and for the schools that churches and their partners support and sustain in both countries
- the faithful witness of the churches in their communities, and in building positive relationships with those of other faiths
- persons and organizations who meet the needs of the hundreds of thousands of migrants and refugees from other African countries.

We **pray** for:

- greater tolerance between Christians and Muslims as they work together to improve the lives of all people
- youth, that they not succumb to radicalization but are prepared to sustain their lives and communities
- all victims of violence, especially sexual or gender-based violence, and all who are marginalized or excluded from communities
- those who are most vulnerable to climate change and drought, that they may have clean water to drink and for their crops and animals to flourish
- economic growth and trade that benefits all the people.

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.

Sunday, June 23, 2024 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Contemporary Praise Celebration



Opening Song:

"Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"

Welcome & Birthdays: *Karen Higby*

Words of Praise: Psalm 78: 4, 25 - 25
Karen Higby

Praise & Worship:

"Trading My Sorrows"

"Salvation Belongs to Our God"

Greeting & Passing of the Peace

Offering & Music Video:

"Brighter Days" - Blessing Offor

**Joys & Concerns
Prayer and Reflection**

Scripture Reading:

2 Corinthians 6: 1 - 13

Message: *David Jacobson*

"Strength in Weakness: Putting Grace to Use"

Closing Song:

"Halleluiah, Your Love Makes Me Sing"

Week of June 23 - 29, 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. Alcoholics Anon., 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. Boy Scouts 307B, SR
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anon., 206

Wednesday

11:30 a.m. WW Lunch, SH
1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawls, Library
7:00 p.m. Finance Com., 211
7:00 p.m. Toastmasters, 206

Thursday

7:00 p.m. Grief Group, Library
7:00 p.m. Square Dance, SH

Friday

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. Alcoholics Anon., 208
1:00 p.m. Accordion Club, 211

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The altar flowers are given in loving memory of Betty Dixon by Doug Dixon and Kristi Miller.

The bulletins are given in loving memory of our mother, Dorothy Price Sprecher to remember her June 23rd birthday by Carol Sprecher Coberth and Sharon Sprecher Steele.

Serving today:	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>
Greeters:	Cathy Barry	Linda & Dave Heinmuller
Interpreter:		Sandy Brown
Lector:		Chuck Gehrman
Nursery:	Julia Hurlock	
Steward:	Samantha Shepherd	

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: givetoiiv.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.

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.

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, hscott@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.

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!

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!



Jul 29th - Aug 2nd

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Mark your calendar!

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

- 1 Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been, thou forever wilt be.

Refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
all I have needed thy hand hath provided;
great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

- 2 Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. Refrain
- 3 Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! Refrain

Lift Every Voice and Sing

- 1 Lift every voice and sing, till earth and heaven ring,
ring with the harmonies of liberty;
let our rejoicing rise high as the listening skies,
let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us;
facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
let us march on till victory is won.
- 2 Stony the road we trod, bitter the chastening rod,
felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
yet with a steady beat, have not our weary feet
come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered;
we have come, treading our path thru the blood of the slaughtered,
out from the gloomy past, till now we stand at last
where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

- 3 God of our weary years, God of our silent tears,
thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
thou who hast by thy might led us into the light,
keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met thee;
lest our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget thee;
shadowed beneath thy hand, may we forever stand,
true to our God, true to our native land.

Blest Be the Tie That Binds

1. Blest be the tie that binds
our hearts in Christian love;
the fellowship of kindred minds
is like to that above.
2. Before our Father's throne
we pour our ardent prayers;
our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
our comforts and our cares.
3. We share each other's woes,
our mutual burdens bear;
and often for each other flows
the sympathizing tear.
4. When we asunder part,
it gives us inward pain;
but we shall still be joined in heart,
and hope to meet again.