

# *Blended Worship Service*

*Sunday, August 25, 2024*

*8:30 a.m.*

*\*People Standing*

## **\*Gathering and Singing**

*King Of Glory  
Before The Throne of God*

## **\*Welcome and Announcements**

## **Prayer Joys and Concerns**

**Call to Prayer**                      *Show Us Christ*

## **Morning Prayer**

## **Lord's Prayer**

## **\*Gospel Reading**

John 6:56-69

**Message**                      *To Whom Will You Go?*

Rev. David Jacobson

**\*Response**                      *Rock of Ages  
Cornerstone*

## **\*Benediction**

*Offering plates are available as you leave.*

# *Celebration of Worship*

*Sunday, August 25, 2024*

*10:00 a.m.*

*\*Indicates the Congregation is asked to stand*

## *Fourteenth 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**                      *Love Divine, All Loves Excelling*                      Alfred Fedak

**\*Opening Hymn – No. 662**                      *Stand Up and Bless the Lord*

### **\*Call to Worship**

**Leader:** We gather today to declare our commitment to the Lord.

**People:** **We will serve the Lord, for the Lord is our God.**

**Leader:** Remember how God has led us, how God has protected and provided for us.

**People:** **We will serve the Lord, for the Lord is our God.**

**Leader:** When the path is difficult and the way unclear, to whom will you turn?

**People:** **We will serve the Lord, for the Lord is our God.**

**Leader:** Choose this day whom you will serve, but as for us and our house,

**People:** **We will serve the Lord, for the Lord is our God.**

### **Opening Prayer**

**Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*Gloria Patri – No. 70**

## Words of Welcome and Announcements

### Morning Prayer

**Eternal God, you have called us to follow Christ, to walk in his ways, and to trust in your promises. We are tempted to turn away, to follow other paths, yet your words of eternal life draw us back to you. Strengthen our resolve, that we may choose you every day, serving you with faithfulness and joy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

### Quiet Prayer

### Pastoral Prayer

### Lord's Prayer

## The Giving and Receiving of Our Tithes and Offering

### Offertory

*O Be Joyful*  
(The CUMCwhats)

John Leavitt

*Jubilate Deo (Shout to God for joy). Alleluia.  
O be joyful all you lands. Serve the Lord with gladness.  
Come before Him with a song, singing and rejoicing.  
Enter now with thanks and praise, for the Lord is gracious.  
Jubilate Deo. Alleluia.*

(From Psalm 100)

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

*Praise God*

### Old Testament Reading

Joshua 24:1-2a, 14-18 (Pew Bible p. 188)

### \*Hymn of Preparation - No. 598

*O Word of God Incarnate*

### \*Gospel Reading

John 6:56-69 (Pew Bible p. 866)

**Sermon**

*To Whom Will You Go?*

Rev. David Jacobson

**\*Closing Hymn – No. 714**

*I Know Whom I Have Believed*

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**

**Postlude** *Toccata on “O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”* Alfred Fedak

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## *Intercessory Prayer Concerns*

### **For the week of August 25<sup>th</sup>:**

Brenda Sutton	Judy Durfey	Sarah Pickeral
Greg Martin	Kathy	Sage
John	Debbie Hobbs Klar	Libby Waddell
Tom Burgess	Coeli Love	Bev D'Arcy
Darlene Schoenfelder		

*This week we pray for:*

*Cape Verde, The Gambia, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Senegal*

### **We are thankful for:**

- the many ways in which these countries have moved beyond their colonial histories, especially the scars related to slave trade
- this area's distinctive music and cultural practices of storytelling (*griots*)
- economic and educational advances that have lifted some out of poverty
- promising transitions into democracy and changes in government leaders
- the persistent, faithful witness of churches in the midst of other faiths.

### **We pray for:**

- those people in these societies who continue to live in abject poverty
- an end to policies, systems, and cultural practices that continue to exploit and marginalize some groups
- the fair election of more just government leaders who respect the rights of all people
- faith communities witnessing and working together for the common good.

## **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, August 25, 2024 ~ 7:00 p.m.

## *Contemporary Praise Celebration*



**Opening Song:** *"Here I Am to Worship"*  
*Tim Pyle*

**Welcome & Birthdays:** *Karen Higby*

**Words of Praise:** Psalm 69: 30, 34  
*Mary Coates*

**Praise & Worship:**  
*"Change My Heart "*  
*"Build My Life"*

**Greeting & Passing of the Peace**

**Offering & Music Video:**  
*"To Not Worship You" - Mercy Me*

**Announcements**  
**Joys & Concerns with Prayer and Reflection**

**Scripture Reading:**  
**John 6:56-69**

**Message:** *David Jacobson*  
*"To Whom Will You Go?"*

**Closing Song:** *"We Believe"*

## Week of August 25 - 31, 2024

### Sunday

8:30 a.m. Blended Service  
10:00 a.m. Traditional Worship  
1:00 p.m. Memorial Service  
1:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anon., 206  
6:30 p.m. Crew 307, SH  
7:00 p.m. Praise Service

### Monday – Pastor David’s Sabbath

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

### Tuesday

10:30 a.m. Bible Study, Library  
11:00 a.m. Prayer Time  
1:30 p.m. Grief Group, Library  
4:30 p.m. Daisy 884, SR  
7:00 p.m. BSA 307B, SR, SH  
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anon., 206

### Wednesday

11:30 a.m. WW Lunch, SH  
1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawls, Library  
6:30 p.m. VBS Debriefing, 211  
7:00 p.m. Toastmasters, 206

### Thursday

4:30 p.m. Brownies 178, SR  
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  
11:15 a.m. Music Together, SH  
12:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anon., 208

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**The altar flowers** are given in loving memory of Patricia A. Moss on her birthday, August 24<sup>th</sup> by Patti Blaha and family.

**The bulletins** are given in loving memory of John Anthony Reymann by the Reymann Family.

<b>Serving today:</b>	<b><u>8:30 a.m.</u></b>	<b><u>10:00 a.m.</u></b>
<b>Greeters:</b>	Cathy Barry	Linda & Dave Heinmuller
<b>Lector:</b>		Phil Bowman
<b>Nursery:</b>	Julia Hurlock	
<b>Steward:</b>	Samantha Shepherd	

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

**A Memorial Service** will be held for Lee DeLong today at 1 p.m. in the sanctuary.

**We are pleased to announce** that Camille Warren will be our new Director of Youth Ministries beginning August 26, 2024. Please pray for her and for the youth of our church as she transitions into this position.

**Fall Women's Retreat** - Are you interested in some time away for retreat, reflection, and fellowship with other women? We're working on plans to attend a Women's Retreat at Sandy Cove (in North East, MD) on the weekend of November 8-10, 2024. Women of all ages are welcome to attend. Program, meals, and lodging are all included in the cost of approximately \$300 per person. Ready to sign up or need more information? Contact Misty at [mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org](mailto:mistytroll@catonsvilleumc.org). Don't let the cost be prohibitive – scholarships are available, if one is needed.

**The Monday evening Bible Study** will be starting back on Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Join us in the Library for a time studying Scripture together and connection. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Misty with any questions ([Misty@catonsvilleumc.org](mailto:Misty@catonsvilleumc.org)).

***Save the Date for CUMC Homecoming!***  
**We're celebrating 100 years at**  
**6 Melvin Avenue on**  
**Sunday, October 27, 2024.**  
**Worship begins at 10 a.m. with lunch to follow.**

**Get ready for the next round** of Sunday School for adults/teens with another Tom Berlin study called “Courage: Jesus and the call to Brave Faith.” It’s bound to be another good one – with a Scripture passage, discussion, and a video. We will start on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 10-11 a.m. in Room 211. The study will run for 6 weeks and will end on October 20<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Misty to get your book (Misty@catonsvilleumc.org).

You are invited to the **Revival of the Mary Kate Woman’s Circle** on Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 a.m. at CUMC. Let’s come together to meet and make plans for upcoming once a month meetings where all women are welcome. Prior to Covid the women of Mary Kate were active in mission, faith and fellowship. We strive to learn and grow as a group of sisters in Christ. Past missions were Steps of Hope Learning Center, CUMC Youth, Night of Peace Women and Children Shelter, The Board of Child Care, and The Samaritan Women Shelter. Our main means for funding our missions for women and children has been volunteering for the CUMC Rummage Sale. Please contact Judy Haines at [stevelhs@verizon.net](mailto:stevelhs@verizon.net) if you are interested in learning more about Mary Kate or visit the Circles and Study Group table on Rally Day.

**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.

**Thank you!** Backpacks and school supplies for 115 area students were delivered to 12 schools this week. This could not have been done without the help of everyone who contributed to this project, including preparing the backpacks, shopping for supplies and filling the packs, providing extra supplies and funding, and delivering to the schools. The school administrators and guidance counselors are very grateful for your generosity. Please pray for all students and the teachers and staff as they begin their new school year on August 26<sup>th</sup>.

**Dickinson College's semester** begins on September 2<sup>nd</sup> which means a new year of ministry with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship! There are new leaders coming back to campus eager to welcome new students, and plenty of students, new and old, who will be seeking to find deeper meaning, hope, and community. Please join me in praying for the students at Dickinson this semester. Pray that students will find a home within InterVarsity's community and encounter Jesus in new and powerful ways. I am \$8,000 away from being fully funded for this school year, praise God! I still need financial partnerships so that I can reach my goal and be able to work full time on campus. Will you consider contributing to my ministry with college students? If so, visit: [givetoiv.org/clairependleton](http://givetoiv.org/clairependleton) to donate. Thank you! Claire Pendleton

**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 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>. 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 4<sup>th</sup>. 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](mailto:darlenes@comcast.net). Thank you for your generosity.

# Rally and Get Connected Sunday

*Find Out Where you Belong*



**September 8<sup>th</sup>**

After the 10:00 Service, please plan to stay. You will have the chance to learn about ways to serve and how to find your small group to experience community together.

**This is also the Kick Off day for  
Sunday School!**

## Stand Up and Bless the Lord

1. Stand up and bless the Lord,  
ye people of his choice;  
stand up and bless the Lord your God  
with heart and soul and voice.
2. Though high above all praise,  
above all blessing high,  
who would not fear his holy name,  
and laud and magnify?
3. O for the living flame  
from his own altar brought,  
to touch our lips, our minds inspire,  
and wing to heaven our thought!
4. God is our strength and song,  
and his salvation ours;  
then be his love in Christ proclaimed  
with all our ransomed powers.
5. Stand up and bless the Lord;  
the Lord your God adore;  
stand up and bless his glorious name,  
henceforth forevermore.

## O Word of God Incarnate

1. O Word of God incarnate,  
O Wisdom from on high,  
O Truth unchanged, unchanging,  
O Light of our dark sky:  
we praise you for the radiance  
that from the hallowed page,  
a lantern to our footsteps,  
shines on from age to age.
2. The church from you, our Savior,  
received the gift divine,  
and still that light is lifted  
o'er all the earth to shine.  
It is the sacred vessel  
where gems of truth are stored;  
it is the heaven-drawn picture

of Christ, the living Word.

3. The Scripture is a banner  
before God's host unfurled;  
it is a shining beacon  
above the darkling world.  
It is the chart and compass  
that o'er life's surging tide,  
mid mists and rocks and quicksands,  
to you, O Christ, will guide.
4. O make your church, dear Savior,  
a lamp of purest gold,  
to bear before the nations  
your true light as of old.  
O teach your wandering pilgrims  
by this their path to trace,  
till, clouds and darkness ended,  
they see you face to face.

### **I Know Whom I Have Believed**

1. I know not why God's wondrous grace  
to me he hath made known,  
nor why, unworthy, Christ in love  
redeemed me for his own.

Refrain:

But I know whom I have believed,  
and am persuaded that he is able  
to keep that which I've committed  
unto him against that day.

2. I know not how this saving faith  
to me he did impart,  
nor how believing in his word  
wrought peace within my heart.  
(Refrain)
3. I know not how the Spirit moves,  
convincing us of sin,  
revealing Jesus through the word,  
creating faith in him.  
(Refrain)

4. I know not when my Lord may come,  
at night or noontide fair,  
nor if I walk the vale with him,  
or meet him in the air.  
(Refrain)