

## February 2020

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## In-between Time

By Ken Kovacs

**W**e are in one of these odd liturgical seasons when Ash Wednesday comes the last week of February, which means the First Sunday of Lent falls in March. After all the frenetic activity of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, and the general busyness that comes with a new calendar year and preparing for the Annual Congregational Meeting, we have something of a “breather” in February. Thankfully, this year we’re not “leaping into Lent,” as Dorothy likes to say.

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## "In-between Time"

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In this in-between time, there will be plenty of ways to create some breathing space in our busy lives, explore our faith in new ways, listen to the Spirit, listen to our lives, and prepare our hearts and minds and bodies for the Lenten journey. Here's a highlight of some of the things coming up in February:

### Sunday, February 2

We welcome back to the pulpit Brian Edwards, executive director of Suburban Crossroads Counseling Center. Catonsville Presbyterian has a long history with Suburban and its unique ministry in the community. Their counselors/psychologists meet clients in several rooms in the Church House. Brian preached back in November for the first time, and many expressed to me deep gratitude and appreciation for his message. After worship, stay for a meal. The Souper Bowl of Caring Luncheon will follow in fellowship hall.

### Sunday, February 9

Scout Sunday, an annual tradition at Catonsville Presbyterian. We will celebrate our century-long relationship with Scouting, first through Troop 306 and, more recently, Scout Pack 306. The Scouts will usher, host fellowship hour, and a senior member of the Troop will offer a Moment for Scouting.

### Sunday, February 16

We welcome Dr. Roy Howard, recently retired pastor of St. Mark Presbyterian Church in Rockville, MD (National Capital Presbytery). Roy will be leading adult education at 9 a.m., building on Brené Brown's important work on shame and vulnerability and providing a theological dimension to her findings. And then he'll also proclaim the Word during worship. Roy is Book Editor of *The Presbyterian Outlook*. Good friend, colleague, and fellow pilgrim, his wisdom was invaluable to me preparing for my Camino to Santiago de Compostela several years ago. (If he doesn't share the story about his tattoo, be sure to ask him.)

### Sunday, February 23

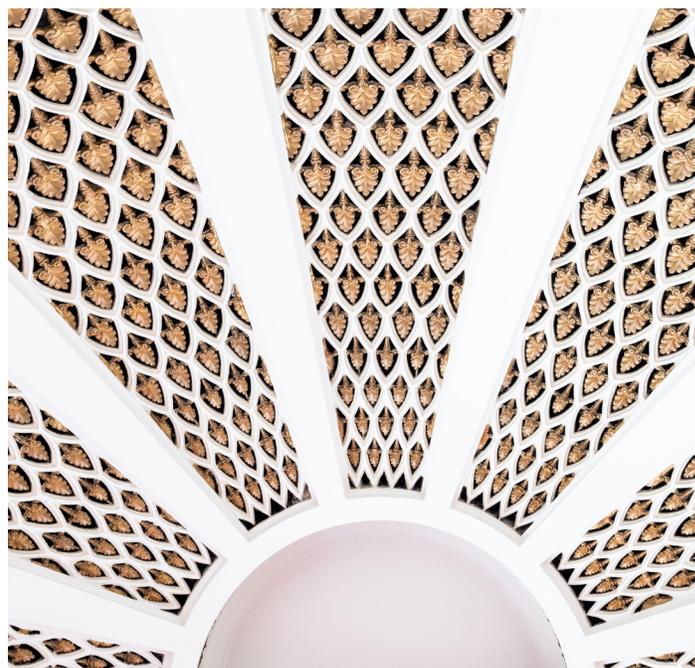
Transfiguration of the Lord Sunday. During adult education we welcome back Pauline scholar Dr. Michael Gorman, who will be talking about

the central importance given to "participation" in Paul's theology. Mike will help us understand what it means to say that we are "in Christ." (See page 3.) During worship we will hear the story of transfiguration and open ourselves yet again to the transfiguring power of Christ's Spirit. We will share in the baptism of Elianna Maze. And following worship we have our Lenten Event, which will include lunch and the making of Peace Cranes, which will be on display throughout Lent. (See page 5.)

### Saturday, February 29

And, finally, on Saturday, February 29, we will welcome Dr. James Hollis—author, teacher, and Jungian psychoanalyst—who will lead a workshop based on his book *Living An Examined Life*. Jim is a good friend and mentor. His writings and friendship have had a deep impact on my life over the last ten years. A wise soul, I'm confident that you will gain much from our time together. He is a highly sought-after speaker and I'm grateful for his willingness to come to Catonsville. You can register to attend after worship throughout February, as well as online. (See page 7.)

This is only a sampling. There are many opportunities to worship, learn, and serve Christ together. We will be ready for Lent when it comes.✝



# Growing in Grace

## Adult Education Opportunities

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m. in the library. Childcare is provided.

*On the first two Sundays in February we will explore at a couple aspects of Celtic Spirituality. On the Celts' calendar February 1 is the beginning of Spring!*

### **FEBRUARY 2**

#### **Led by Brenda Logue**

##### *Finding Brigid*

Patrick may be Ireland's best known saint, but Brigid (also spelled Brigit) figures prominently among its three patron saints, with the third being Columba (also called Columcille, the founder of the monastery at Iona). Several Christian churches celebrate Brigid at this time of the year, particularly for her association with daily life of the Irish people—from bringing forth the flame on the hearth to the birthing of lambs and churning of butter. This class will be a journey to find Brigid at her wells and monastery and through her stories. Personal photography, historical texts, and current scholarship will be the basis of uncovering some of the facts and fables associated with this early Celtic woman who is said to stand “on the boundary between pagan mythology and Christian spirituality.”

### **FEBRUARY 9**

#### **Led by Ron Gunderson**

##### *Celtic Christianity and Care of Creation*

Join us for a review of the history, primary contributors, and beliefs of Celtic Christianity. And then we'll explore how these beliefs are reflected in the projects and plans at CPC as part of our commitment to environmental stewardship.

### **FEBRUARY 16**

#### **Led by Dr. Roy Howard**

##### *Daring Greatly*

A conversation on shame, vulnerability and courage through the work of Dr. Brené Brown, renown researcher and the author of numerous books including *Daring Greatly*. During the class, Dr. Howard will highlight the theological and biblical significance of vulnerability, shame and courage: how they frame a Christian stance in the world. Recently retired, Roy is currently an adjunct

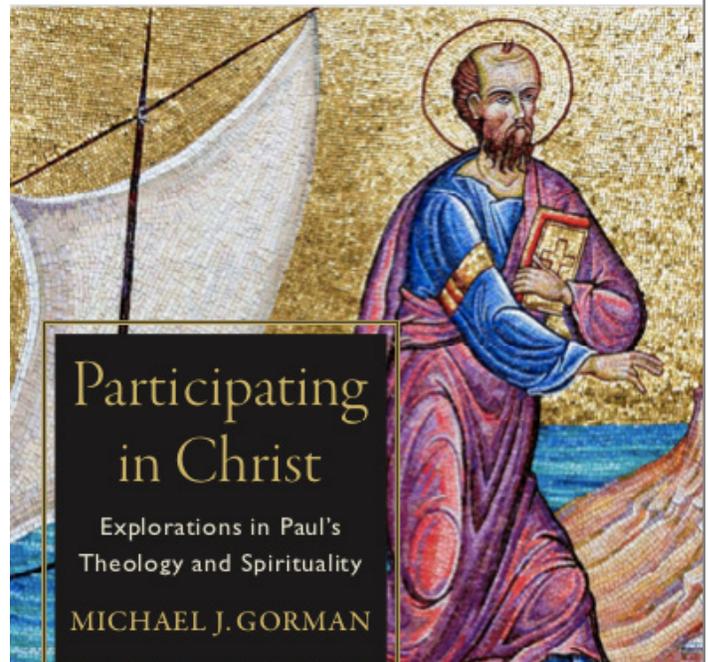
faculty member of The Academy of Artful Leadership, trained coach with the International Coaching Federation, a certified facilitator for Healthy Congregations.

### **FEBRUARY 23**

#### **Led by Michael J. Gorman**

##### *Participating in Christ*

The apostle Paul frequently talks about believers being “in Christ.” Theologians refer to this experience as participation in, and union with, Christ. What did participating in Christ mean for Paul? What are the implications for us today, both as individuals and as a church? On February 23, Prof. Michael J. Gorman of St. Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore will address these topics. Mike has recently published a book titled *Participating in Christ: Explorations in Paul's Theology and Spirituality* (Grand Rapids: Baker Academic) and a booklet called *Participation: Paul's Vision of Life in Christ* (Cambridge, Eng.: Grove Books). A chapter from the book appeared in *The Christian Century* last summer.



# Looking Ahead

## SouperBowl of Caring Luncheon

February 2 at 11:30 a.m.

Join your church family in fellowship hall following worship for a delicious soup luncheon hosted by our senior high and middle school youth. Donations go towards hunger-relief through our support of the Westside Shelter ministry. Each month, Catonsville Presbyterian provides a meal for the 150 residents of the Catonsville shelter.

## Catonsville Concerts at 3

February 16 at 3 p.m.

Two women plus twelve instruments equal one good time when Simple Gifts takes the stage. Drawing on a variety of ethnic folk styles, this award-winning duo plays everything from lively Irish jigs and down-home American reels to hard-driving Klezmer frailachs and haunting Gypsy melodies, spicing the mix with the distinctive rhythms of Balkan dance music, the lush sounds of Scandinavian twin fiddling, and original compositions written in a traditional style.

## Lent Event

Peacemaking Activities, February 23

All ages are invited to gather in fellowship hall after worship at 11:30 a.m. to share in Peacemaking activities, including assembling peace cranes

which will be displayed throughout the season. We'll have a Mardi Gras lunch, which includes pancakes, together at 12:30 p.m. No reservations are needed. Y'all come.

## Ash Wednesday

February 26 at 7:30 p.m.

Dickey Memorial Presbyterian Church will host this year's Ash Wednesday service, as we enter into the season of Lent. Catonsville Presbyterian and Dickey Memorial will join together for a service that will be more contemplative in nature, using liturgies and music from the Taizé Community in France. Mark your calendars February 26 at 7:30 p.m. at 5112 Wetheredsville Road, Baltimore, Maryland 21207.

## Winter Blues

Throughout Winter Months

These cold, dark winter months can be difficult for the spirit. Come join a pastor for a cup of coffee or hot chocolate and have a time for conversation, prayer, and words of support. Please contact Dorothy or Ken at the church office at (410) 747-6180 to set up a time to get together.

# Baltimore Presbytery Gathering

At Catonsville Presbyterian on Thursday, February 13

Let's show the Presbytery of Baltimore how well we can host the February gathering which is scheduled for Catonsville Presbyterian on Thursday, February 13 beginning at 2:30 p.m. and on into the evening! We will need greeters, hospitality workers, Communion servers, and parking attendants. Hospitality also means snacks (e.g. cookies, mini muffins, fruit) to go with afternoon coffee; perhaps you can provide some. We are expecting more than 100 people to attend. Please put this date and time on your calendar and plan to help. Let us know who you are!

Contact Susan Hutton at [dhutt@erols.com](mailto:dhutt@erols.com) and (410) 719-6711, or Nancy Burke at [nancywburke@gmail.com](mailto:nancywburke@gmail.com) and (410) 303-1859.

# Thursday Morning Bible Study

## The Sign and Sacrifice led by Ken Kovacs

The Thursday Morning Bible Study group will take up something new this Lent. Our text will be *The Sign and The Sacrifice: The Meaning of the Cross and Resurrection* (Westminster John Knox Press, 2016), by Rowan Williams, former archbishop of Canterbury and one of the leading theologians of our day. We will be looking at key passages in scripture that bear witness to the Jesus' death and resurrection. We'll explore what these events meant to Jesus' followers in the early years and what they can say to us today. Join us for some serious theological engagement. The books will be available for sale starting February 23 and cost \$9. We begin the study on February 27, 2020, at 10:30 a.m., in the library.

## Children, Youth and Family Ministries

### Youth and Mission News

#### Children and Stewardship

As our February mission emphasis, please consider giving faithfully to the mission and ministry of Catonsville Presbyterian by contributing during the morning offering. Children's offering envelopes are available in the worship bags in the back of the sanctuary.

#### Church School

##### Second Sunday

Second Sunday for ages 4-7 will meet on Sunday, February 9 following the children's message in the Dragons Room for Bible stories and activities. Parents may pick up their children in the Dragons room after worship.

#### Youth News

##### SouperBowl of Caring, February 2

Senior high youth will set up at 9 a.m. for this simple meal which funds our West Side Shelter food ministry. Middle school youth will join them to help serve at 11:30 a.m. and clean up by 12:45 p.m. Please wear close-toed shoes and bring a hat or bandana.

#### Tech and Social Media Safety

##### Youth Workshop, February 8

A workshop for youth and parents at Ark and Dove Presbyterian Church, Saturday, February 8, from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Ark and Dove is located at 8424 Pine Orchard Parkway, Odenton. A flier with

more details is on the youth bulletin board across from the church library.

#### Valentine Dinner

##### Senior High Youth, February 9

Senior high youth are gathering at the Shumaker's home for an evening featuring The Famous Chocolate Fountain on Sunday, February 9 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. RSVP to [debbyshumaker@gmail.com](mailto:debbyshumaker@gmail.com) by February 4.

#### Confirmation/Commissioning Meeting

##### Youth Meeting, February 9

All ninth and tenth graders are invited to a brief information meeting right after worship, 11:45 a.m., to explore this year's confirmation ministry. Please bring a parent and a calendar so we can coordinate schedules together.

#### Youth Group

##### Dinner and Games, February 9

Middle School Youth will meet Sunday, February 9, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for dinner and games.

#### Lords Little People

##### Melting Pot, February 16

Third through fifth graders will travel to the Melting Pot in Columbia for fondue and fun conversation! We will gather at CPC at 3:15 p.m. and carpool for a 4 p.m. reservation. An Evite will go out to families from organizer Laura Parkhurst.

# Help us "Envision" the Future

Envision Fund Grant Application Deadline: March 1, 2020

Since 2015, Catonsville Presbyterian Church has been blessed to award annual grants from The Envision Fund to support projects and initiatives through ministries here in Catonsville and surrounding counties, nationally and internationally thanks to a generous bequest by Robert Riley. Visit [www.catonsvillepres.org/envision-fund](http://www.catonsvillepres.org/envision-fund) for details on the more than 30 projects supported by the Envision Fund since its inception.

We invite you to use your creativity and imagination. What ideas do you have for projects that allow CPC to work collaboratively with organizations to positively impact our local community or the world? Applications for 2020 for projects that fall within the categories of Development, Mission, Peace & Justice Advocacy, and Capital Improvements to our facilities are being accepted now. The deadline for submissions is March 1, 2020.

Members of the congregation can participate by submitting an application individually, as a CPC committee, or by sponsoring an application from an outside organization. Sponsors:

- Help to establish the credibility of an organization.
- Provide evidence of an existing CPC relationship with an organization.
- Ideally to be an active partner in the organization you are sponsoring.
- Help facilitate communication with the group as needed.
- Demonstrate support for the project not only as a point of contact for a proposal, but also as a knowledgeable and enthusiastic supporter of that proposal.

Please visit [www.catonsvillepres.org/envision-fund](http://www.catonsvillepres.org/envision-fund) for more detailed information about the types of projects and eligibility, CPC member sponsorship, the application process and to obtain the necessary documents to submit. If you have questions about the Envision Fund or the process, please email [envision\\_fund@catonsvillepres.org](mailto:envision_fund@catonsvillepres.org) or contact someone on the Envision Fund Board. Current Board members are:

Alex Hall, Chair  
Sheri Comisac  
Tricia Cooper  
Virginia Fairman

Tracy Lantz  
Greg Mayes  
Jeanne Mueller  
Amy Oaks



## An Invitation to the Digital Committee

Have you checked out our beautiful, new website? The Digital Committee is working hard to make sure that it's always up-to-date with news, photos, events, and sermons. If you're interested in CPC's online presence, including Facebook and Twitter, we'd love to have you join us! We're especially looking for someone who can help with updating the website on a weekly basis. The website is built in WordPress, so it's user-friendly to update and best of all, no HTML knowledge needed! Please contact Vickie Lord for more information!

## Creation Care News

Winter is the time of the year for our gardens to regenerate, maybe deepen roots or spread roots into new areas. Perhaps something to learn there—for us, as well! While we wait for spring, which is just around the corner, it is a great time to make our spring garden plans. If you are looking for good resources, may I suggest two reads to try out. First the book titled *The Humane Gardener*, and second the website [www.nativeplantcenter.net](http://www.nativeplantcenter.net). Both of these reflect the Creation Care Team philosophy for the native gardens, woodlands, and meadow spaces of our church.

For native plants, I highly recommend Herring Run Nursery, [www.bluewaterbaltimore.org/herring-run-nursery](http://www.bluewaterbaltimore.org/herring-run-nursery), operated by Blue Water Baltimore. Many of the native plants and trees used in our projects were purchased there. The Staff also make great recommendations and provide advice on planting. We will be scheduling general spring garden workdays in late March and April, depending on the weather patterns, and then throughout the coming season. Watch for more information! Contact Ron Gunderson at [cinron.md@verizon.net](mailto:cinron.md@verizon.net) if you are interested in helping the Creation Care Team make our church grounds more environmentally sound and esthetically pleasing.

## Living a More Authentic Life

On February 29, we will welcome my good friend and mentor, James Hollis, Ph.D. –author, internationally acclaimed Zurich-trained Jungian analyst, and remarkable teacher. Former director of The Jung Center in Houston, TX, as well as the Jung Society of Washington, D. C., Hollis is in private practice in Washington. He is the author of fifteen books, the last being the subject of our time together in February, *Living an Examined Life* (2017).

What constitutes the “second” half of life when viewed through a psychological lens? What does it mean to “grow up”? This program will present several considerations to assist in the discernment process we all must undertake if we are to reclaim our personal authority and live our journeys more authentically.

Join us, Saturday, February 29, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 and registration is required. You can purchase your ticket now online at: [www.eventbrite.com/e/navigating-the-second-half-of-life-with-james-hollis-phd-tickets-84778126659](http://www.eventbrite.com/e/navigating-the-second-half-of-life-with-james-hollis-phd-tickets-84778126659). Tickets will also be on sale after worship in February. Copies of *Living an Examined Life* will be available for purchase, and Jim will be happy to sign your copy.



## Scouts Update

By Glenda K. Johnson  
Chartered Organization Representative

### Scout Sunday

This annual event celebrates the anniversary of Scouting in our country and in our Church. Catonsville Presbyterian has been the charter organization of our Scout Troop since 1912, when it was first organized by Rev. John Nesbitt. Our Cub Pack and Scout Troop will participate in the service that day, February 9, by serving as ushers and greeters, and the senior patrol leader will share a minute for scouting. Fellowship Hour will be hosted by both groups on that day. Catonsville Presbyterian is one of three congregations within the Catonsville community to charter Scout Troops and Cub Packs.

Thanks are extended to our leaders for the extensive time they volunteer to provide a quality program for each group. Cub Scout leaders include: Thomas Cherry, Cubmaster; Melissa Cherry, Committee Chairman; Eric Silva, Asst. Cubmaster. Scout leaders include: Jeff Scharf, Scoutmaster; Dayne Loewner, Assistant Scoutmaster; Cynthia Jones, Committee Chairman. Many additional volunteers participate in all our Scouting projects, camping trips, and weekly programs. A complete list of leaders will be shared on Scout Sunday.

### Monthly Highlights

**January 29:** Cub Scout Pack Meeting, celebration of popcorn sales winners.

**February 8:** Boy Scout Family Dinner in Fellowship Hall. This potluck dinner also features highlights of the past year's achievements. The Scout of the Year will be announced.

**February 22:** Cub Scout Pinewood Derby in Fellowship Hall. Cars have been distributed and shapes have been cut by adult leaders for the participants. Set up will be on Friday evening.

**February 29:** Boy Scout monthly camping trip at Potomac Fish and Game. Early in February, they enjoyed cabin camping at Bayshore Scout Camp near Harrisburg.

## Poetry and the Christian Life

Join us on February 25 at 7 p.m. for the next poetry discussion on the chosen poem *New Year's Day* by Ursula K. LeGuin. Read it slowly, ponder it, reflect on it, let it speak to you, even pray it. Then join us on a February evening in the church library.

### New Year's Day

*An eagle anger with a broken wing  
struggles inside my body and strikes blind  
to break the iron bars with iron beak.  
Far too late now for cure or soft healing.  
To such deep injury no hand is kind.  
Within me is the way the bird must take,  
in this cage all the sky she can attain,  
the wide, clear, patient silence of the mind  
where flight goes far and fierce thought can forsake words  
and seek distances out past all pain,  
ache, and heartache.*

—Ursula K. LeGuin

## Life in Community

We give thanks to God for the birth of Nathan Manning Makoto Klingaman, born on Friday, December 27, at St. Agnes Hospital. Nathan weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces. Congratulations to proud parents Joshua Semiatin and Beth Klingaman!

Join us in welcoming Vincent Wei Zhong Tang! Jason and Jenny Tang finalized the adoption of Vincent Tang on October 29, 2019. The two travelled to the city of Guangzhou, in Southeast China, for two weeks to complete all of the paperwork. The entire adoption process took about a year and a half. Vincent is nearly three-years-old and is still acclimating to American customs.

It is with deep sadness that we share that Nelson Tharp died on January 10 in Charlottesville, VA. Nelson turned 100 in July, Ellen and Nelson celebrated 76 years of marriage this summer, and Ellen turned 100 in January. They were devoted members of the congregation for 75 years.

## Our Daily Bread Team

Our senior high youth and adult volunteers served a meal at Our Daily Bread. The group served breakfast from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. to those in need in January.

Our cheerful helpers are from left to right include Rob Burriesci, Will Gallagher, Lars Nilsen, Cecilie Nilsen, Susan Jaeger, Payton Davis, Brynn Davis, Paige Percy, Matt Gresick, Jenny Hutton, and Eric Ebersole.



## 2020 Senior High Mission, Service Learning Trip

Through Broad Street Ministry, a Presbyterian Church U.S.A. organization, our 9-12th graders will be traveling to Philadelphia for an amazing week together. “Immerse Yourself in Justice” is the theme we’ll pursue, paying particular attention to the evils of racism, poverty and mass incarceration.

“Through daily dialogue at work sites, small discussion groups, and worship,” we’ll “develop a rich theological, social, and academic understanding of justice while recognizing ways in which Holy Scripture calls for justice and love for all—fostering conversations focused on topics such as lifelong service and discipleship.”

Please see Dorothy Boulton for a registration form. These should be turned in beginning February 2nd along with a \$150 deposit. (Check should be made out to CPC, noting “2020 Youth Mission Trip” in the memo.) We’ll participate in some fundraising activities in the next few months to keep the cost below \$300. Scholarships will be made available so that no youth will be prevented from attending due to lack of funds. Sign up soon—we’re excited to get started.

## Eric Loewner’s Eagle Project

Thanks to all of you for your donation of clothes for his Eagle project to assist men at the Helping Up Mission downtown. More details will be shared as the project continues. He received generous donations from members and friends here at Catonsville Presbyterian and from his home Church, Salem Lutheran. His fundraiser at Peace of Pizza was also well attended.



# Session Meeting Highlights

The Session is a body of fifteen members, elected by the congregation and ordained as ruling elders, who provide leadership for our congregation. Following are highlights of the regular monthly Session meeting of January 8, 2020.

■ A new member class will be received at a special meeting called by Session on Saturday, January 25, 2020, and the new members will be welcomed at worship on Sunday, January 26, 2020.

■ Most of the rest of the Session meeting was concerned with our financial performance against the budget for 2019, and the proposed budget process for 2020. The 2019 financial performance and the 2020 budgets will be presented and interpreted for the congregation at the Annual Meeting of the Congregation on January 26, 2020. The budget discussions were as follows:

■ 2019 Budget Performance: We finished strong for 2019, with the deficit reduced to \$3,664 by the end of the year. This was a good result, considering that there was a planned deficit of \$10,000 built into the budget from the beginning of the year. The congregation is to be thanked for its support, and the Child Care Center for a timely year-end gift that made the reduced deficit possible.

■ 2020 Proposed Operating Budget: The stewardship campaign has resulted in pledges to-date of \$363,000 versus \$377,000 for 2019, despite a loss of \$35,000 in pledgers due to deaths, moving out of the area, or changed circumstances. The 2020 budget will be determined

when remaining pledges and income from other sources have been considered against predicted expenses for 2020, and will be approved at a special meeting called for that purpose.

■ 2020 Investment Budget: The Finance Committee proposed that an additional budget category be adopted to account for variable income and expenses outside of the usual operating budget system. This would include capital expenses, unusual building and grounds expenses, and similar types of non-recurring expenses. For 2020 this will include items such as the roof replacement project, which is a major, non-recurring expense. The Investment Budget will be funded, as needed, from such sources as the investment accounts, undesignated bequests, grants, etc. The Investment Budget will also be approved at the special called Session meeting on January 25, 2020.

*Session recognizes the need to continually communicate with our membership, and we welcome your suggestions for communication exchange. Session member contact information is listed in the Church Directory, so it is easy to communicate directly with your church leaders. Take a few minutes to send a message to a Session member, the pastors, or the church office, and let us know what you think. We want to hear from you! — David Hutton, Clerk of Session*

## Our Financial Resources

We rely on everyone to support what God is doing through this congregation. The vitality of this ministry is secured by God's grace and funded by the faithfulness and commitment of God's people. We are counting on the ongoing generosity of our members and friends. Thank you! — Keith Glennan, Finance Committee

Actual income as of January 18, 2020:	\$ 24,294
Actual expense as of January 18, 2020:	\$-31,460
Total:	\$ -7,166

## EVERY WEEK

### SUNDAYS

- 8:40 a.m. Youth Choir, Grades 3 and up, Music Rm
- 9 a.m. Church School, Grade 3-High School
- 9 a.m. Child Care and Social Time, Infants-Grade 2
- 9 a.m. Adult Education, Library
- 10:30 a.m. Worship, Sanctuary

### MONDAYS

- 7-9 p.m. Martial Arts, Fellowship Hall
- 8-10 p.m. Scottish Dancers, Gym

### TUESDAYS

- 9-11 a.m. Al-Anon, France Room
- 10 a.m. Needles Group, Library
- 7-9 p.m. Charm City Dancers, Gym
- 7-9:30 p.m. Martial Arts, Fellowship Hall

### WEDNESDAYS

- 7 p.m. Cub Scouts, Gym, SR, RS Rooms

### THURSDAYS

- 5:30-6:30 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous, Library
- 6:45-7:30 p.m. Handbell Choir, Upper Music Room
- 7-9:30 p.m. Kung Fu, Fellowship Hall
- 7:35-9 p.m. Chancel Choir, Music Room
- 7:30-9 p.m. Boy Scouts

## UPCOMING THIS MONTH

### SATURDAY, February 1

- 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tai Chi, Gym

### SUNDAY, February 2

- 11:45 a.m. SouperBowl of Caring Luncheon, FH

### MONDAY, February 3

- 9:30 a.m.-11 a.m. PW Monday Circle, France RM

### TUESDAY, February 4

- 7 p.m. Concert Board, Library

### WEDNESDAY, February 5

- 7 p.m. Session, Library

### THURSDAY, February 6

- 7-9 p.m. Boy Scout Com, Library

### FRIDAY, February 7

- 10 am-Noon: PW Bridges Circle, Location TBD

### SATURDAY, February 8

- 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Charm City Dancers, Gym
- 6 p.m. Boy Scout Dinner., FH (Prep 4:30)

### SUNDAY, February 9 [Scout Sunday](#)

- 11:45 a.m. Confirmation Organizing Meeting
- 11:45 a.m. Digital Committee Meeting
- 6-7:30 p.m. Middle School Youth Night
- 6-7:30 p.m. Valentine Dinner, Home of D Shumaker

### MONDAY, February 10

- 6 p.m. Contemplative Prayer/ Meditation, France Rm

### WEDNESDAY, February 12

- 7 p.m. Child Care Council, Conf Rm
- 7-8 p.m. Cub Scouts, SR/Gym/RS Rm
- 7:30 p.m. Trustees, Library

### THURSDAY, February 13

- 3:30 p.m. Presbytery Gathering, CPC – France Rm, Library, FH, Youth Rms, Sanctuary
- 7-9 p.m. Cub Scout Com, Library

### SATURDAY, February 15

- 1-4 p.m. Tai Chi, Gym

### SUNDAY, February 16

- 11:45 a.m. Christian Ed Com, France Rm
- 3 p.m. Simple Gifts Concert, Sanctuary and, FH
- 3-5 p.m. COLA Hospitality Team, Conf Rm
- 3:15 p.m. Carpool to Melting Pot, Columbia

### WEDNESDAY, February 19

- 2 p.m. Com on Preparation for Ministry, Library
- 6:15 Alzheimer's Caregivers' Group, France Room
- 7 p.m. Envision Board, Conf Rm
- 7 p.m. Deacons, Library

### THURSDAY, February 20

- 7:30-9 p.m. Dismantling Racism Group, Library

### SATURDAY, February 22

- 9-Noon Pinewood Derby, FH

### SUNDAY, February 23 [Transfiguration of the Lord](#)

- 2-5 p.m. Balt Classical Guitar Society Open Stage
- 11:45 a.m. Mission Com, France Room

### MONDAY, February 24

- 6 p.m. Contemplative Prayer/ Meditation, France Rm

### TUESDAY, February 25

- Noon COLA Worship Team, Library
- 7 p.m. Poetry Discussion, Library

### WEDNESDAY, February 26 [Ash Wednesday](#)

- 7:30 p.m. Worship Service, Hope Presbyterian Church
- 7-8 p.m. NO Cub Scout Pack Mtg, FH

### THURSDAY, February 27

- 10:30 am: Bible Study, Library

### SATURDAY, February 29

- 9-12:30 p.m. J. Hollis, *Living a More Authentic Life*
- 9-12 p.m. Presbyterian PW Coord Team, Conf Room

## Thank You

Thank you, Reverend Ken, Reverend Dorothy, and my fellow members of Catonsville Presbyterian Church, for showering my little Frank family with prayers, blessings, and food upon the arrival of Graham and Gabriel. After spending two months in the hospital with my premature twin boys, I came home to an outpouring of love from this congregation. Agnes Schneider and Kirsten Nilsen started a meal train for our family and so many of you "loved on us with food" (in the words of Kirsten Nilsen) by preparing warm, delicious meals for us. What a gift it was to not have to worry about what to make or what to eat in those early days of coming home with two newborns.

My husband Andrew and I thank you all from the bottom of our hearts for keeping us in your prayers as we begin our life as a family of four. We have felt the abundant love of Christ through you, our church family, during this time. My heart bursts with joy to know that my boys will be raised in a church filled with an army of angels.

Thank you so much for loving on us with food and prayers. We love each and every one of you and look forward to all of the good times to come with our church family at CPC.

With love and gratitude,  
Ellen, Andrew, Graham, and Gabriel Frank

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