CATONSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 10, 2021
ORDER OF WORSHIP

_Baptism is a sign of initiation, by which we are admitted into the society of the Church, in order that, being incorporated into Christ, we may be numbered among the children of God._
~John Calvin (1509-1564), Institutes of the Christian Religion (1559)

**Prelude:** Prelude in C Major  J. S. Bach

**Call to Worship (Responsive)**
_Psalm 29:3,9; Mark 10:10-11; Isaiah 43:1_
The voice of the Lord is over the waters,  
_and in the temple God’s people say: Glory!_
When Jesus was baptized, the Spirit descended,  
_and a voice sounded: This is my Beloved Son._
Do not fear, the Lord has spoken to us:
_I have called you by name; you are mine._
Come, let us worship God!

**Hymn 1** (For those following at home, see pages 8 & 9.)
“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”  NICAEA

**Opening Prayer**
Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,  
_all desires known,_
_and from whom no secrets are hid:_
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 Jesus our Lord._
Amen.

**Call to Confession**
The grace of God overflows for us  
_through Christ Jesus who came into the world  
to save us and to make us whole._

*All who are able, please stand.*
Tusting in God’s goodness and love,  
let us confess our sin.  
Let us pray together.

**Prayer of Confession (Unison)**  
**Merciful God, in baptism you promise**  
-forgiveness and new life,  
-making us part of the body of Christ.  
**We confess that we remain preoccupied**  
-with ourselves, separated from one another.  
**We cling to destructive habits, hold grudges,**  
-and show reluctance to welcome one another.  
**We allow the past to hold us captive.**

**In your loving kindness, have mercy on us.**  
**Wash away everything that separates us**  
-from you, from our neighbors  
-and from ourselves.  
**Fulfill the promises, then, of our baptism**  
-so that we may rise to new life,  
-and live together in grace.

Silent Prayer of Confession

**Declaration of Forgiveness (Responsive)**  
As a voice from heaven said to Jesus,  
-so, in Christ, God speaks to us:  
You are my child, my beloved,  
-with you I am well pleased.  
In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!  
**Thanks be to God!**

*Response of Praise: Hymn 582* (See page 10.)  
"Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me”  
GLORY TO GOD (Vasile)

**Life in Community**  
The peace and joy of the Lord  
be with you and yours today.  
Thank you for joining us for worship.  
Other announcements....

*All who are able, please stand.*
Children’s Message

Presentation of Third Grade Bibles
Luka Laurence Blay
Cecily Marie Davis
Myla Durland
Amelia Lynn Field
Ryan Joseph Long
Julian Michael Wyatt

Prayer for Illumination (Unison)

Saving God, the source of our calling,
your Word is full of power and glory.
Pour out your Holy spirit upon us
so that we may receive your grace
and live as your beloved children;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Scripture: Galatians 3:27–4:7

Sermon: Claimed, Cleansed, Called

*Hymn 482 (See page 11.) “Baptized in Water” BUNESSAN

Reception of New Members

Reaffirmation of Faith:
Jeff and Molly Britton
Bob and Nancy McLaughlin
Michael and Nicole McLaughlin
Jared and Melanie Melrath
Mike and Melisa Michener

Sacrament of Baptism

Presentation:
Annie Lee Britton
Jameson Thomas Britton
Lucy Belle McLaughlin
Sean Charles McLaughlin
Grace Elizabeth Melrath
Timothy Elliott Michener

*All who are able, please stand.
Affirmation of the Congregation

Do we, as members of the Church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Annie, Jameson, Lucy, Sean, Grace, and Timothy by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging them to know and follow Christ and to be faithful members of his Church?

We do.

Prayer Over the Water

Baptism

Welcome

Call to Offering
Even in the midst of our darkest days and deepest longings, we are assured of the presence of God.
In gratitude to God who is big enough to hold our loving praise and our cries of woe, let us offer signs of our thanks with the gifts of our time, talent, and treasure.

You may give online through our website, catonsvillepres.org.

If you wish to give in person, an offering plate is located near the sanctuary entrance. Feel welcome to place your offering there at the end of the service.

With gratitude to God, let us present our gifts and be generous.

Musical Offering: Meditation from "Thaïs" Massenet (1842-1912)

Prayer of Dedication (Unison)
Gracious God, all that we have is yours. Accept these gifts—signs of our gratitude—as we return them to you.

*All who are able, please stand.
Show us how to use them that
they may point to your abiding love,
which is our eternal hope. Amen.

Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer
Holy One, who came as a child,
we pray for your children everywhere,
of every age.

For those who are hungry,
we pray for nourishment....
For those who are fleeing,
we pray for safety....
For those who are ill,
we pray for your healing....
For those who are grieving, we pray for your peace....

Holy Three, who patterns community,
we pray for communities everywhere.

For those who are divided,
we pray for unity....
For those who are isolated,
we pray for connection....
For those who are afraid,
we pray for your courage....
For those who are frustrated,
we pray for new hope....

We pray especially for those
in our own community who suffer this day....

Holy Three-in-One and One-in-Three,
bless us in the work of faith,
that we might be truly faithful.
Nourish us in the labor of love,
that we might show your love.
Keep our hope steadfast,
that we might know your grace
and your peace as we wait
for your coming reign of justice
and overwhelming love.

*All who are able, please stand.
And hear us as we unite our hearts and voices together in that perfect prayer:

   Our Father, who art in heaven,  
   hallowed be thy name.  
   Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
   on earth as it is in heaven.  
   Give us this day our daily bread;  
   and forgive us our debts,  
   as we forgive our debtors;  
   and lead us not into temptation,  
   but deliver us from evil.  
   For thine is the kingdom and the power  
   and the glory, forever. Amen.

*Hymn 485* (See page 12.) “We Know That Christ Is Raised”

*Benediction*

As you go forward from this place, 
   know that God goes with you,  
   before you,  
   beside you,  
   and surrounding you.  
And as you go, may the grace  
   of our Lord, Jesus Christ,  
   the love of God,  
   and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
   go with you all—this day and every day.  
Amen.

**Postlude**

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**CHILDREN IN WORSHIP**

Children are welcome in worship as part of the Whole Family of God. We are delighted they are here. For safety reasons we are not currently providing child care on Sunday mornings but fellowship hall is available for families to use. The service can be heard in the room, plus there’s plenty of space for active children. A parent may also take a child to the playground before, during, and after worship.

Children’s Bibles and books are available in the back of the sanctuary, along with clipboards, crayons, markers, and paper.

Information about our education ministries for the fall are in our October newsletter and can be found on our website, [www.catonsvillepres.org](http://www.catonsvillepres.org).

*All who are able, please stand.*
CHURCH SCHOOL
We will offer a multi-age church school for K - 5th grade on Sundays, October 10th and 24th. Children will leave the sanctuary following the children’s message and meet in the pavilion, approx. 10:45-11:30 a.m. Parents may pick up their child in the pavilion at the end of the service. Please give Dorothy Boulton your cell number before the children leave the sanctuary so we can contact you if needed.

WELCOMING ALL GOD’S PEOPLE
Catonsville Presbyterian Church recognizes that people of all ages have varying abilities and needs. If you meet or see someone with differing needs, whether an adult or a child, please recognize that underlying conditions may occasionally cause behavior that might be misinterpreted as inappropriate. Please reach out. Ask if there is a way that you might assist, and otherwise be understanding and supportive.

If you or a family member has special needs, please speak to one of the pastors or the Deacon of the Day. We want to fully appreciate each individual’s gifts and talents and help you to feel a part of this faith community.

Participants
- Dorothy Boulton, associate pastor
- Kathy and Keith Glennan, ruling elder; video production
- Christopher Keenan, organist
- Reid Spearman, vocalist
- Kenneth E. Kovacs, pastor
- Vickie Lord, social media support
- Dottie Marshall, ruling elder, sanctuary set-up
- Lum Offut, pianist
- Nathan Scalla, ruling elder/liturgist

Sources
- Worship Resources, The Presbyterian Outlook and the Presbyterian Mission Agency, PCUSA.
- The Communion liturgy comes to us from the Iona Community, Scotland.
- "Permission to podcast/stream the music in this service obtained from One License with license #A-734388; CCLI Copyright License B 20481088 4/30/2021 + Streaming License B 20481071 4/30/2021”
1 Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Descant

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
2 Holy, holy, holy! all the saints adore thee,
3 Holy, holy, holy! though the darkness hide thee,
4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Earl y in the morning our song shall rise to thee, cast ing down their gold en crowns a round the glass y sea; though the eye of sin ful ness thy glory may not see, All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea.

Much of the imagery of this hymn comes from Revelation 4:2–11, which its author, an Anglican bishop, knew as a reading appointed for Trinity Sunday. The tune, written specifically for this text, reinforces the Trinitarian theme by strong dependence on the D-major triad.

TEXT: Reginald Heber, 1827, alt.;
Korean trans. The Christian Literature Society of Korea; Spanish trans. Juan B. Cabrera
MUSIC: John Bacchus Dykes, 1861; desc. David McKinley Williams, 1948
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Holy, Holy, Holy!
Lord God Almighty – page 2

Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee,
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity.
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.
Perfect in power, in love and purity.
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!
582  Glory to God,  Whose Goodness Shines on Me

Capo 3:  (G) (D) (G) (D) (G) (D) (Em) (D)

\[\text{F Bb F Bb F Gm F} \]

1 Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
2 World without end, without end. Amen.

\[\text{(D)} (G) (C) (G) (Em7) (A7)\]

\[\text{F Bb Eb Bb Gm7 C7} \]

and to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
World without end, without end. Amen.

\[\text{(A7) (D)} (F#) (Bm)\]

\[\text{C7 F A Dm} \]

and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
World without end, without end. Amen.

\[\text{(Bm7) (D) (Bdim7) (Em7) (Dm)(A7) (D)}\]

\[\text{Dm7 F Ddim7 Gm7 Fm C7 F} \]

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.
Baptized in Water

1 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, cleansed by the blood of Christ our King; heirs of salvation, trusting the promise, faithfully now God’s praises we sing.

2 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, dead in the tomb with Christ our King; one with his rising, freed and forgiven, thankfully now God’s praises we sing.

3 Baptized in water, sealed by the Spirit, marked with the sign of Christ our King; born of the Spirit, we are God’s children; joyfully now God’s praises we sing.
We Know That Christ Is Raised

Capo 3: (D)  (Asus) (A)  (A/G)  (D/F♯)
F  Csus  C  C/B♭  F/A

1. We know that Christ is raised and dies no more.
2. We share by water in his saving death.
3. The Father’s splendor clothes the Son with life.
4. A new creation comes to life and grows

(D)  (A)  (D)  (E7)  (A)
F  C  F  G7  C

Embraced by death he broke its fearful hold,
Re-born we share with him an Easter life
The Spirit’s power shakes the church of God,
as Christ’s new body takes on flesh and blood.

(Am)  (D)  (G)  (Em)  (Bm)
Cm  F  B♭  Gm  Dm

and our despair he turned to blazing joy.
as living members of a living Christ.
Baptized we live with God the Three in One.
The universe, restored and whole, will sing:

[1-3]
(Em)  (D)  (Asus) (A)  (Em)  (D)
Gm  F  Csus  C  Gm  F

Al-le-lu-ia!  Al-le-lu-ia!

Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.

Beginning with an allusion to Romans 6:9, this exuberant baptismal hymn unfolds the implications of our incorporation into Christ’s new life, making us “a new creation” (2 Corinthians 5:17). The text was written to fit this expansive tune by a distinguished British composer.

MUSIC: Charles Villiers Stanford, 1904
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(this tune in a higher key, 6:41)