



# Cheltenham United Methodist Church

THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART

**Sunday September 19, 2021**  
**Ordinary 25B**  
**10am**

Cheltenham United Methodist Church

11111 Crain Highway, Cheltenham, MD 20623  
Rev. Rachel Livingston, Pastor

Welcome  
*thanks for coming*

**Worship with via Zoom**

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**GATHERING**

WELCOME

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS

GREETING

*UMH 738*

*Psalm 1*

Blessed are those who do not walk in the counsel of the wicked;  
**Or stand in the way of the sinners, or sit in the seat of scoffers;**  
but their delight is in the law of the Lord,  
**and on God's law they mediate day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water that yield their fruit in season, and their leaves do not wither.

**In all that they do, they prosper. Walk in the light of God's counsel; delight in the law of the Lord.**

The wicked are not so, but are like the chaff which the wind drives away.

**Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment; nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;**

For the Lord knows the way of the righteous,

**But the way of the wicked will perish. Like a tree that's planted by the water, we shall not be moved.**

PRAYER

*UMH 489*

*Howard Thurman, USA, 20<sup>th</sup> cent.*

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**O Holy God, open unto me light for my darkness, courage for my fear, hope for my despair. O loving God, open unto me wisdom for my confusion, forgiveness for my sins, love for my hate. O God of peace, open unto me peace for my turmoil, joy for my sorrow, strength for my weakness. O generous God, open my heart to receive all your gifts. Amen.**

+HYMN

"Freely, Freely"

UMH 389

*Words: Carol Owens, 1972 (Mt. 10:8; 28:18-20)*

*Music: Carol Owens, 1972*

*Tune: FREELY, FREELY*

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God forgave my sin in Jesus' name,  
I've been born again in Jesus' name  
and in Jesus' name I come to you  
to share his love as he told me to.

*Refrain*

*He said, "Freely, freely you have received,  
freely, freely give.*

*Go in my name, and because you believe,  
others will know that I live."*

All power is given in Jesus' name,  
in earth and heaven in Jesus' name,  
and in Jesus' name I come to you,  
to share his power as he told me to.

*Refrain*

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

+HYMN

"Lord, I Want to Be a Christian"

UMH 402

*Words: Afro-American spiritual*

*Music: Afro-American spiritual; adapt. And arr. by William Farley Smith, 1986*

*Tune: I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN*

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Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart,  
in my heart;  
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

*In my heart,  
in my heart,  
Lord I want to be a Christian in my heart.*

Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart,  
in my heart;  
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

*In my heart,  
in my heart,  
Lord I want to be more loving in my heart.*

Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart,  
in my heart;  
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart.

*In my heart,  
in my heart,  
Lord I want to be more holy in my heart*

Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart,  
in my heart;  
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

*In my heart,  
in my heart,  
Lord I want to be like Jesus in my heart.*

## **PROCLAIMING THE WORD**

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Psalm 1

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Mark 9:30-37

SERMON

Get Over Yourself

Pastor Rachel B. Livingston

## **RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

+OFFERTORY

“Spirit of the Living God”

UMH 393

+DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise God all creatures here below.  
Praise God above ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

## **GOING FORTH**

+HYMN

“We’ll Understand It Better By and By”

UMH 525

*Words: Charles Albert Tindley, ca. 1906 (1 Cor.13:12)*

*Music: Charles Albert Tindley, ca. 1906; arr. by F. A. Clark, 1906*

*Tune: BY AND BY*

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We are tossed and driven in the restless sea of time;  
somber skies and howling tempests oft succeed a bright sunshine;  
in that land of perfect day, when the mists have rolled away,  
we will understand it better by and by.

*Refrain*

*By and by, when the morning comes,  
when the saints of God are gathered home,  
we’ll tell the story how we’ve overcome,  
for we’ll understand it better by and by.*

We are often destitute of the things that life demands,  
want of food and want of shelter, thirsty hills and barren lands;  
we are trusting in the Lord, and according to God’s word,  
we will understand it better by and by.

*Refrain*

Trials dark on every hand, and we cannot understand  
all the ways that God will lead us to that blessed promised land;  
but he guides us with his eye, and we’ll follow till we die,  
for we’ll understand it better by and by

*Refrain*

Temptations, hidden snare often take us unawares,  
and our hearts are made to bleed for a thoughtless word or deed;  
and we wonder why the test when we try to do our best,  
but we'll understand it better by and by.

*Refrain*

+BENEDICTION

+RECESSIONAL

## ***Upcoming Events***

### **Monday, September 20, 2021**

Monday Methodists 9am

Knitting Circle 10am

Church Council Meeting 7pm

### **Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

Bible Study 7pm

### **Wednesday, September 22, 2021**

Prayer on Facebook Live at 12noon

Pastor's Office Hours 2-4pm

### **Thursday, September 23, 2021**

Pastor's Office Hours 10a -12noon

*\*If you need to connect with the pastor for a meeting you can send an email to [cumcpastorlivingston@gmail.com](mailto:cumcpastorlivingston@gmail.com) or give her a call at 302-230-6141*

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### **Homecoming Service Sunday September 26, 2021**

at

**10am**

Light Refreshments After Service

Please bring finger foods, sandwiches, or desserts

### **Bible Study Returns Tuesday, September 21, 2021**

at

**7pm**

with a study on Spiritual Gifts

### **Church Conference November 13**

at

**1pm**

at

Good Shepherd United Methodist Church

305 E Smallwood Dr

Waldorf, MD 20602

<https://bwcumc.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJwuc-mpqTIjE9SOGkDvmtjIjw8qmNbebNNG>

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## SCRIPTURE LESSONS

**Psalm 1 NRSV** • <sup>1</sup> Happy are those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or take the path that sinners tread, or sit in the seat of scoffers; <sup>2</sup> but their delight is in the law of the LORD, and on his law they meditate day and night. <sup>3</sup> They are like trees planted by streams of water, which yield their fruit in its season, and their leaves do not wither. In all that they do, they prosper. <sup>4</sup> The wicked are not so, but are like chaff that the wind drives away. <sup>5</sup> Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous; <sup>6</sup> for the LORD watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

**Mark 9:30-37 NRSV** • <sup>30</sup> They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; <sup>31</sup> for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, “The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.” <sup>32</sup> But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. <sup>33</sup> Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, “What were you arguing about on the way?” <sup>34</sup> But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. <sup>35</sup> He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, “Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.” <sup>36</sup> Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, <sup>37</sup> “Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.”