



Cheltenham United Methodist Church

THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART

Sunday, April 27, 2025
10am

*Christ
is
Risen!*

Worship with via Zoom

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Sunday, April 27, 2025
(2nd Sunday of Easter)

GATHERING

WELCOME

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNIVERSARIES AND BIRTHDAYS (May)

- Anniversary
7 Meredith Flippen, Michael and Crystal Reed 12 Jeff and Chiara Griffith
19 Sara and Ryan Windsor 30 Daein and Juyoun (Hong) Park
- Birthday
3 Leslie Hart 7 Rebekah Rawlings 8 Joshua Rawlings 13 Gaon Park
14 Doug House 15 Brenda Bowen 17 Kaela Rawlings 19 Liliana Easter
22 Jimmy Aist 24 Lucy Easter 27 Cheryl Johnson
29 Clark Aist, Gay Topper 30 Judy Benton

A happy birthday to you, a happy birthday to you;
May you feel Jesus near every day of the year.

A happy birthday to you, a happy birthday to you; The best you have ever known!

GREETING

Come, people of resurrection—Christ lives and calls us still.

Rejoice with every breath and beat, for all creation praises the Holy One!

Christ stood among them, saying, “Peace be with you.”

Even in doubt, we are met with mercy.

We are witnesses, like Peter—called to obey God rather than fear people.

Alleluia! Love has conquered! Christ is risen indeed!

PRAYER

Risen Christ, we gather in your peace, breathing in resurrection hope.

**You meet us behind closed doors, speaking calm into our fear,
and showing wounds that heal our doubts.**

Open our hearts to your Spirit’s breath—

that we may rejoice with all creation and witness boldly like Peter.

Shape our worship with joy, our lives with courage, and our faith with wonder.

To you, who was, and is, and is coming—be all praise. AMEN.

+HYMN

Words: John H. Sammis, 1887

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“Trust and Obey”

Music: Daniel B. Towner, 1887

UMH 467

Tune: TRUST AND OBEY

When we walk with the Lord
in the light of his word,
what a glory he sheds on our way!
While we do his good will,
he abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

Refrain

*Trust and obey, for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.*

Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share,
but our toil he doth richly repay;
not a grief or a loss,
not a frown or a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.

Refrain

But we never can prove
the delights of his love
until all on the altar we lay;
for the favor he shows,
for the joy he bestows,
are for them who will trust and obey.

Refrain

Then in fellowship sweet
we will sit at his feet,
or we'll walk by his side in the way;
what he says we will do,
where he sends we will go;
never fear, only trust and obey.

Refrain

+PASSING OF THE PEACE

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S 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 trespasses
As we forgive those who trespass against us
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

"Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus"

Words: George Duffield, Jr., 1858 (Eph. 6:10-17)

Music: George J. Webb, 1830

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UMH 514

Tune: WEBB

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
ye soldiers of the cross;
lift high his royal banner,
it must not suffer loss.
From victory unto victory
his army shall he lead,
till every foe is vanquished,
and Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
the trumpet call obey;
forth to the mighty conflict,
in this his glorious day.
Ye that are brave now serve him
against unnumbered foes;
let courage rise with danger,
and strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
stand in his strength alone;
the arm of flesh will fail you,
ye dare not trust your own.
Put on the gospel armor,
each piece put on with prayer;
where duty calls or danger,
be never wanting there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus,
the strife will not be long;
this day the noise of battle,
the next the victor's song.
To those who vanquish evil
a crown of life shall be;
they with the King of Glory
shall reign eternally.

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 2

Acts 5:27-32
Matthew 28:16-20

SERMON

“Going Viral”

Minister John Jacobs

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

+OFFERTORY
+DOXOLOGY

“Christ Is Alive”

UMH 318
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’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations”

UMH 569

Words: H. Ernest Nichol, 1896

Music: H. Ernest Nichol, 1896

Tune: MESSAGE

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We’ve a story to tell to the nations,
that shall turn their hearts to the right,
a story of truth and mercy,
a story of peace and light,
a story of peace and light.

Refrain

*For the darkness shall turn to dawning,
and the dawning to noonday bright;
and Christ's great kingdom shall come on earth,
the kingdom of love and light.*

We’ve a song to be sung to the nations,
that shall lift their hearts to the Lord,
a song that shall conquer evil
and shatter the spear and sword,
and shatter the spear and sword.

Refrain

We’ve a message to give to the nations,
that the Lord who reigneth above
hath sent us his Son to save us,
and show us that God is love,
and show us that God is love.

Refrain

We’ve a Savior to show to the nations,
who the path of sorrow hath trod,
that all of the world's great peoples
might come to the truth of God,
might come to the truth of God.

Refrain

+BENEDICTION

MINISTER JOHN JACOBS



John Jacobs is a lifelong United Methodist. He currently worships at Faith United Methodist in Accokeek, Md. John considered the ministry as a youth but discerned that God had different plans for him. John spent nearly 35 years working for the federal government in the national security area. In the past 11 years, John felt God's call again and has moved from Lay Servant to Certified Lay Servant to Certified Lay Speaker. David is the character in the Bible who really resonates with John because David is a deeply flawed man who, nonetheless, has a heart for God.

John and his wife, Ronda, are empty nesters with their older daughter, Sara, being a supervisor for a company that helps individuals receive the state services they need, and their younger daughter, Emma, an officer in the U.S. Air Force. John and Ronda love to camp, hike, bike, kayak, or do pretty much anything outdoors for fun.

Upcoming Events

Monday, April 21 – Friday, May 2, 2025

Pastor's Vacation

Monday, April 28, 2025

Monday Methodists 9am

Knitting Circle 10am

Thursday, May 1, 2025

National Prayer Day – Pray with Prayer Material 12noon

Monday, May 5, 2025

Council Meeting 12noon

Saturday, May 17, 2025

Spring Fling(Yard Sale) 9am-1pm

**If you need to connect with the pastor for a meeting, you can send an email to cumcpastorpark@gmail.com or give him a call at 202-802-4302*

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Acts 5:27-32 NRSV • ²⁷ When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸ saying, “We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you are determined to bring this man’s blood on us.” ²⁹ But Peter and the apostles answered, “We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰ The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹ God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³² And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.”

Matthew 28:16-20 NRSV • ¹⁶ Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him, but they doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”