# cheltenham United Methodist Church

THE LITTLE CHURCH WITH THE BIG HEART

Sunday, October 5, 2025

# GRACE ABOUNDS

CELEBRATING OUR BLESSINGS

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## Sunday, October 5, 2025 (17th Sunday after Pentecost, World Communion Sunday)

#### **GATHERING**

WELCOME

CONGREGATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GREETING** 

Place your trust in the Lord.

God shall heal our suffering and pain.

Place your faith in God's abiding presence.

We shall be strengthened.

Place your lives always in God's care.

We shall be made whole in the Lord of all compassion. AMEN.

**PRAYER** 

God, we join with your people everywhere who are gathered in worship today. As we stand together in a troubled world, may our spirits be fed and our resolve to show your love be renewed.

Guide our hearts and minds so we may be open to wisdom, compassion, and the call to serve the world with kindness.

Amen.

+HYMN "We Gather Together" UMH 131

Words: Nederlandtsch Gedenckclanck, 1629; trans. by Theodore Baker, 1894

Music: 16th cent. Dutch melody; arr. by Edward Kremser, 1877

Tune: KREMSER

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We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; he chastens and hastens his will to make known. The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing. Sing praises to his name, he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; so from the beginning the fight we were winning; thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be thine! We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, and pray that thou still our defender wilt be. Let thy congregation escape tribulation; thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

+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

"Precious Name"

Music: William H. Doane, 1871

Words: Lydia Baxter, 1870

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Tune: PRECIOUS NAME

**UMH 536** 

Take the name of Jesus with you, child of sorrow and of woe; it will joy and comfort give you; take it then, where'er you go.

Refrain

Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven. Precious name, O how sweet! Hope of earth and joy of heaven.

Take the name of Jesus ever, as a shield from every snare; if temptations round you gather, breathe that holy name in prayer.

Refrain

O the precious name of Jesus! How it thrills our souls with joy, when his loving arms receive us, and his songs our tongues employ!

Refrain

At the name of Jesus bowing, falling prostrate at his feet, King of kings in heaven we'll crown him, when our journey is complete.

Refrain

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Psalm 137:1-4
NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 2 Timothy 1:6-14

SERMON "No More Strange Land?" Rev. Daein Park

#### RESPONSE TO THE WORD

+OFFERTORY "Open Our Eyes" TFWS 2086

+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

#### CELEBRATION OF OUR LORD'S SUPPER

- † Prayer / Invitation
- † Confess and Pardon

सुसमाचार सुन्नुहोस्: [Susamāchār sunnuhos:] (Hear the good news:)

우리가 아직 죄인되었을 때에 하나님께서 우리를 향한 자기의 사랑을 확증하셨습니다.(Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us.)

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.

 $\dagger$  The Great Thanksgiving

주께서 여러분들과 함께 하시길 (The Lord be with you.)

# And also with you.

आफ्नो हृदय उठाउनुहोस्। [Aphno hriday uthāunuhos.] (Lift up your hearts.)

### We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

# It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Loving Creator, every nation and people are part of your family. With your people on earth and all the company of heaven we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

우리가 나누는 떡은 모든 그리스도인의 연합을 상징합니다. (The bread we share joins us with believers everywhere.)

#### Let us give thanks to God, who makes us one body in Christ.

यो गिलास हामी सबैका लागि नयाँ वाचा को चिन्ह हो। [Yo gilās hamī sabaikalāgi naya bachan ko chinho ho.] (This cup is the symbol of the new covenant for all.)

#### Let us give thanks to God, who cleanses us with Christ's blood.

... So, in joyful remembrance, we proclaim the mystery of faith.

#### Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pour out your Spirit on us and these gifts. Make us one body—united in love and service with the Church around the world. By your Spirit, help us share peace and hope until all creation is restored. **Amen**.

- † Giving the Bread and Cup
- † Closing Prayer

हामी हरेक राष्ट्र र भाषामा यो टेबलमा भेला हुन्छौं। [Haami harek raashtra ra bhaashaa-maa yo teebal-maa bhelā hunchaun.] (Across every nation and language, we gather at this table.)

# We come as one body, united in Christ's love.

세계 각지에서 빵을 떼고, 잔을 나눕니다. (Bread is broken, and a cup is shared in every corner of the earth.)

#### We remember, we give thanks, and we rejoice together.

As we taste and see God's goodness, our divisions are healed.

We rise as one people, sent forth for peace and justice. Amen.

#### GOING FORTH

+HYMN "In Christ There is No East or West"

UMH 548

Tune: McKEE

Words: Sts. 1, 2, 4, John Oxenham, 1913; st.. 3, Laurence Hull Stookey, 1987 (Gal. 3:28) Music: Afro-American spiritual; adapt. And harm. By Harry T. Burleigh, 1939 St.  $3 \odot 1989$  The United Methodist Publishing House. CCLI License Account #3551380

In Christ there is no east or west, In Him no south or north; But one great fellowship of love Throughout the whole wide earth.

In Christ shall true hearts everywhere Their high communion find; His service is the golden cord, Close binding humankind.

In Christ is neither Jew nor Greek, And neither slave nor free; Both male and female heirs are made, And all are kin to me.

In Christ now meet both east and west, In Him meet south and north; All Christly souls are one in Him Throughout the whole wide earth.

# **Upcoming Events**

# Monday, October 6, 2025

Monday Methodists 9am Knitting Circle 10am

#### Wednesday, October 8, 2025

Pastor's Office Hour 2pm-4pm

#### Thursday, October 9, 2025

Pastor's Office Hour 10pm-12noon

#### Saturday, October 18, 2025

Church Conference (with the churches in the hub) 9am Providence-Fort Washington UMC - 10610 Old Fort Rd, Fort Washington, MD 20744

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#### **SCRIPTURE LESSONS**

**Psalm 137:1-4 NRSV** • ¹ By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept when we remembered Zion. ² There on the poplars we hung our harps, ³ for there our captors asked us for songs, our tormentors demanded songs of joy; they said, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!" ⁴ How can we sing the songs of the LORD while in a foreign land?

- **2 Timothy 1:6-14 NLT 6** This is why I remind you to fan into flames the spiritual gift God gave you when I laid my hands on you. **7** For God has not given us a spirit of fear and timidity, but of power, love, and self-discipline.
- <sup>8</sup> So never be ashamed to tell others about our Lord. And don't be ashamed of me, either, even though I'm in prison for him. With the strength God gives you, be ready to suffer with me for the sake of the Good News. <sup>9</sup> For God saved us and called us to live a holy life. He did this, not because we deserved it, but because that was his plan from before the beginning of time—to show us his grace through Christ Jesus. <sup>10</sup> And now he has made all of this plain to us by the appearing of Christ Jesus, our Savior. He broke the power of death and illuminated the way to life and immortality through the Good News. <sup>11</sup> And God chose me to be a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher of this Good News.
- <sup>12</sup> That is why I am suffering here in prison. But I am not ashamed of it, for I know the one in whom I trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him until the day of his return.
- <sup>13</sup> Hold on to the pattern of wholesome teaching you learned from me—a pattern shaped by the faith and love that you have in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> Through the power of the Holy Spirit who lives within us, carefully guard the precious truth that has been entrusted to you.