

CATONSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Order of Worship*

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 30, 2020

**Prelude:** "Be Thou My Vision"      John Rutter

**Call to Worship**

O give thanks to the Lord, call on God's name,  
*make known God's deeds among the peoples.*

Sing to the Lord, sing praises to God;  
*tell of all God's wonderful works.*

Glory in God's holy name;  
*let the hearts of those who seek the LORD  
rejoice.*

Come, let us worship God!

**Hymn 402 - See page 4. "How Lovely, Lord"**  
MERLE'S TUNE

**Opening Prayer**

Saving One, we pray for your presence  
and your blessing on your church today,  
scattered and apart, yet united in the power of your love.  
God of mystery and might, whose wonderful works are to be remembered,  
move in our lives, change our minds, soften our hearts, direct our steps,  
that we may follow you more faithfully and more joyfully.  
Come, Holy Spirit! Enliven our lives, our worship, our praise.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

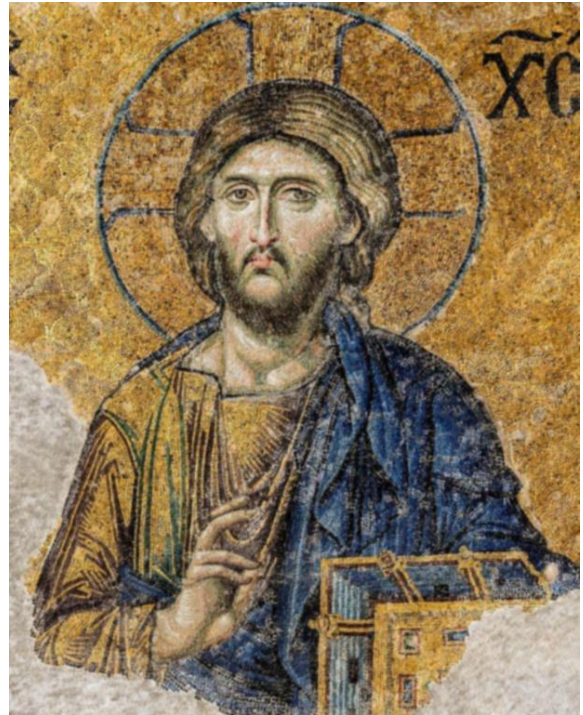
**Life in Community**

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

**Children's Message**

**Prayer for Illumination**

By the power of your Spirit, O Lord,  
make your Word become a joy to us  
and the delight of our hearts. Amen.



**Scripture:** Romans 12:9-21

**Message:** *Do the Work*

**Hymn 456 - See page 5.** "Listen, God is Calling"

NENO LAKE MUNGU

### **Offering**

In response to the Word proclaimed, let us give as God has so abundantly given us. With joyous and generous hearts, let us present our offerings to the Lord.

Let us remember all that God has given and gives us and offer our thanks.

There are ways you can give online through our website – and here I'm talking specifically to CPC members and friends.

If you're not a member or friend of the CPC community, please consider giving to a faith community where you live, a neighborhood church that could use your support at this time.

In a time of silence now, we invite you to take a moment to offer thanks for God's gifts to you this week: time, talent, money, family, friends, life itself.

And ask yourself: where is the Spirit leading me this week to share my gifts through the work of the church and the love of neighbor?

### **Let Us Pray:**

Loving God, when we stumble in our discipleship you do not give up on us, but instead invite us again to follow you.

We recommit ourselves this day, giving these gifts

as a symbol of our will to give ourselves entirely to you.

Take them, we pray, to relieve the suffering of your people.

May these offerings be a means through which others find

reasons to rejoice so that we may rejoice and praise you together.

In Christ's name we pray. Amen

**Musical Offering:** "Give Me Jesus"

Natalia Vladimirova, violin

Kristin Campbell

### **Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer**

Listening God, you promise never to leave us or forsake us. You walk beside us, before us, behind us, your presence is all around us.

You have been faithful to our ancestors, and we know that you remain faithful to us.

Receive the prayers and praises of your people. Receive our love and our gratitude.

In confidence and faith, we turn to you and place before you our burdens, our hopes, our anxieties and fears for our lives, loved ones, and the world.

Hear us now, we beseech you, listen to the prayers of your people:

For peace where there is conflict ...

For food where there is hunger ...

For health where there is sickness ...

For faith where there is insecurity ...

For love where there is hate and fear ...

For understanding where there is distrust and confusion ...

For welcome and acceptance where there is exclusion and rejection ...

For life where there is death ...

For hope where there is despair ...

For peace where there is division ...

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Christ, your Son,

who overcomes all that would try to defeat us, and gives us new life,

and a future, your future, and so we pray,

*Our Father ...*

**Hymn 379 – See page 6. “We Shall Overcome”**

WE SHALL OVERCOME

### Charge and Blessing

**Postlude: “For the Beauty of the Earth”**

John Rutter

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### Participants

- Kathy and Keith Glennan, *video production*
- Greg Knauf, *soloist*
- Kenneth E. Kovacs, *pastor*
- Vickie Lord, *liturgist*
- Stephanie Stevens, *piano*
- Natalia Vladimirova, *violin*

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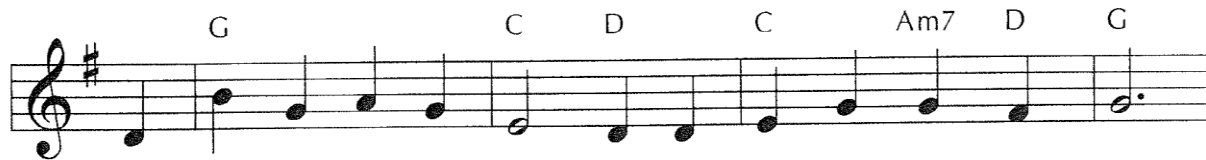
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# 402 How Lovely, Lord

(Psalm 84)



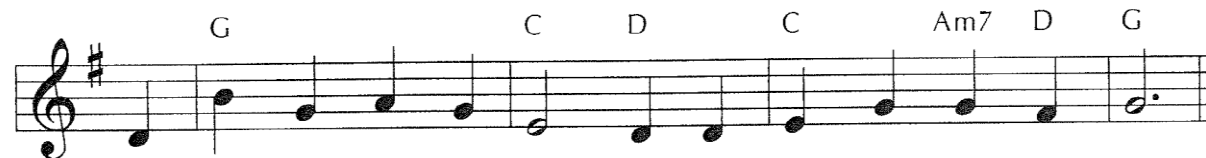
1 How love - ly, Lord, how love - ly is your a - bid - ing place;  
 2 In your blest courts to wor - ship, O God, a sin - gle day  
 3 A sun and shield for - ev - er are you, O Lord Most High;



my soul is long - ing, faint - ing, to feast up - on your grace.  
 is bet - ter than a thou - sand if I from you should stray.  
 you show - er us with bless - ings; no good will you de - ny.



The spar - row finds a shel - ter, a place to build her nest;  
 I'd rath - er keep the en - trance and claim you as my Lord  
 The saints, your grace re - ceiv - ing, from strength to strength shall go,



and so your tem - ple calls us with - in its walls to rest.  
 than rev - el in the rich - es the ways of sin af - ford.  
 and from their life shall riv - ers of bless - ing o - ver - flow.

# Listen, God Is Calling 456

*Neno lake Mungu*

*Refrain*

*Leader* *All*

Lis - ten, lis - ten, God is call - ing, through the Word in - vit - ing,  
 Ne - no, ne - no la - ke Mu - ngu la - ku - i - ta we - we,

of - fer - ing for - give - ness, com - fort, and joy. joy.  
 ne - no la wo - ko - vu, te - na je - ma. ma.

*Leader* *All*

1 Je - sus gave his man - date: share the good news  
 2 Let none be for - got - ten through - out the world.  
 3 Help us to be faith - ful, stand - ing stead - fast,

*Leader* *All* *to Refrain*

that he came to save us and set us free.  
 In the tri - une name of God go and bap - tize.  
 walk - ing in your pre - cepts, led by your Word.

This anonymous Swahili hymn from Kenya follows a pattern of traditional African music (refrain, call-and-response stanzas, refrain) also common in African American spirituals. This text affirms that God's inviting and forgiving call can still be heard through the written Word.

# 379 We Shall Overcome

1 We shall o - ver - come; we shall o - ver - come;  
 2 We'll walk hand in hand; we'll walk hand in hand;  
 3 We shall live in peace; we shall live in peace;  
 4 We are not a - fraid; we are not a - fraid;  
 5 God will see us through; God will see us through;

we shall o - ver - come some - day.  
 we'll walk hand in hand some - day.  
 we shall live in peace some - day.  
 we are not a - fraid to - day.  
 God will see us through to - day.

## Refrain

O, deep in my heart I do be -  
 lieve we shall o - ver - come some - day!

Though now associated primarily with the Civil Rights Movement of the mid-20th century, this spiritual most likely dates from the days of the slave trade; and similarities with the tune SICILIAN MARINERS (see no. 546) suggest that it might have been a worksong aboard slave ships.



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