

# God is leading us to rest beside still waters: in wholeness, completeness, and peace.

Renewing and Reaffirming the Covenant:
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Throughout this year, eight youth discerned the next step in their faith journey. *See page 4*.

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## Reframing "Rest"

#### By Ken Kovacs | Pastor

In Mark 6, we find the disciples giving Jesus an update on their endeavors after being sent to proclaim the gospel, providing an overview of "all that they had done and taught." Then, almost breaking them off in mid-sentence, Jesus says, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while." Mark tells us, "For they were coming and going and they had no leisure even to eat" (Mark 6:30). Jesus reminds us again and again that rest is required amid our work, and in talking about "rest," the notion of sabbath and sabbath rest is not far away.

In his classic work, *The Sabbath* (1951), rabbi and theologian Abraham Joshua Heschel (1907-1972) wrote, "There is a word that is seldom said, a word for an emotion almost too deep to be expressed: the love of the Sabbath." And why is it to be loved? Because it's time set apart, hallowed (that is, "set apart") to rest and delight in the goodness and love and faithfulness of God. It's time to rest, but rest is in service to renewal and restoration. It's not only hallowed time, time set apart for our rest; it is time for God's rest when God is fully present in the creation. The sabbath might be a day without work, but it's not absent of God's presence and glory and joy.

The Hebrew verb *Shabbat* does not really mean "to rest" but "to be complete." It refers to completeness. "*Shabbatu*, the noun," Heschel explains, "means in Babylonian a cycle in a chronological sense, the day on which the moon completes its cycle, the day of the full moon." *Shabbat* means completeness. Lacking nothing. Full.

We hear echoes of this in Genesis 2:2, "On the seventh day God finished his work." On the seventh day. Why didn't God finish working or complete the creation on the sixth day and then have a proper break on the seventh, taking the whole day off? So, then, what exactly was finished or completed on the seventh day, what was created on the seventh day? Something extraordinary was reserved for the last day. "Just as heaven and earth were created in six days," Heschel writes, "menuha was created on the Sabbath." What is menuha? It's often translated as "rest," but it "means more than withdrawal from labor and exertion, more than freedom from toil, strain or activity of any kind." Rest is not a "negative concept" but something valuable, requiring a special act of creation. What was created on the seventh day? Menuha, meaning "tranquility, serenity, peace and repose." This so-called "rest" can also be translated as happiness, stillness, and harmony. When David affirms God as his shepherd, who brings him beside "still waters" (Psalm 23:2), God leads him to the waters of menuhot, of stillness.

Shabbat, completeness is the goal or end or purpose of creation. It's a day for feasting, for delighting in creation. Because it's the day when we share in the completeness and eternal presence of God—feasting in God's glory—it's also the day of redemption, renewal, and new beginnings. Whether it's one day or a season, Shabbat is God's gift to us to become whole, complete, and at peace so that we may be restored and renewed for the holy work God has in store for us.

### **Renewing and Reaffirming the Covenant**

By Dorothy Boulton | Associate Pastor

Every second year, the 9th and 10th graders of Catonsville Presbyterian Church are invited to participate in the Confirmation/Commissioning journey. For several months, beginning in late winter and always ending on the moveable feast of Pentecost, our teens take the time to explore what it means to be an adult member of the church of Jesus Christ. Many of our youth have been baptized here—or elsewhere—as infants and young children so yes, they've always been a cherished part of our congregation. Yet now they have a chance to dive into their faith, ask questions, and discern whether this is the right moment for them to make a public affirmation of that faith, and enroll as an active adult member of this congregation.

In 2024, 8 of our youths did exactly that. They did this, first of all, by choosing a member of the church to serve as a mentor. These pairs

met several times: in large gatherings for lunch in January and a dinner in April, they attended worship together during Lent, and met in one-on-ones or small groups for discussion, conversation, and prayer throughout the early spring. Some mentors were able to participate alongside the youth as they engaged in service ministries. Assisted by energetic middle schoolers, the youth hosted our Souper Bowl

of Caring luncheon in the Fellowship Hall. Money that was donated by our generous congregation provides the funds for CPC's monthly food ministry at the local West Side Men's Shelter. The confirmation youth even had a great time outdoors with some of the mentors on a windy Saturday as they tidied up our church woodlands — the garden paths they mulched together look great!

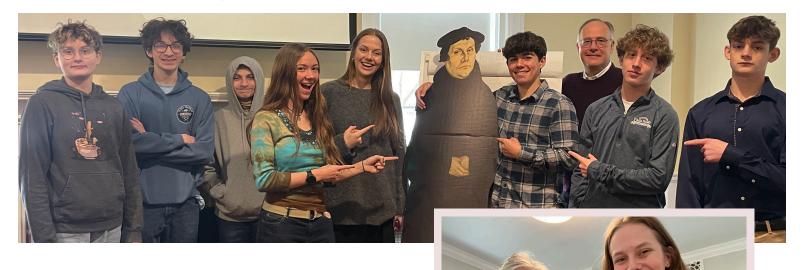
#### **Massanetta Springs**

One of the new ventures this year was the participation of several of our teens in the first annual Confirmation Retreat which was held at Massanetta Springs Presbyterian Camp & Conference Center. The weekend adventure began with a three hour drive to Massanetta, Virginia where 200 youth from Maryland, DC, Virginia,

and Pennsylvania gathered to dig into the Bible, Presbyterian government, the Confessions, some good food and even the ga-ga ball pit. As you might imagine, it was lively and informative and a fantastic way to make connections with new friends and throughout our own CPC contingent.







### **Growing in Knowledge**

Ren Kovacs led one of the gatherings here at CPC, helping the confirmation youth connect with our Presbyterian history and beliefs. Because of Luther's conviction that the highest-quality translations of Scripture should be accessible to all, we presented Bibles to each youth that are so new and up-to-date (the New Revised Standard Version – Updated Edition) that even Ken and I don't own a copy yet!

Walking alongside our youth on this journey is always a privilege and I am thankful to each of them for taking the time and energy—out of some very busy schedules!—to do this. We are grateful to all who chauffeured, organized, and reorganized activities, and made it possible for us to do this in such a meaningful and purposeful way. And we are certainly thankful to Rob Burriesci, Debbie Davis, Tom Enokian, Liz Fromm, Amadeus Guchhait, Bill Henderson, Jenny Hutton, and Megan Long who

Annika Nilsen and mentor Liz Fromm baked bread, praying for the congregation throughout the process.

served as compassionate and supportive mentors. On Pentecost, May 19, we celebrated these youth's journeys, affirming that it is Christ who calls these youth to follow, and Christ who commissions them to make a difference in the world that God so deeply loves. May the Spirit continue to lead them and companion them, giving them gifts and talents to serve with love, with grace, with all that these wonderful people of God are and will be.



#### Renewing and Restoring



## Sabbatical Plans: (Re) Building Bridges

By Ken Kovacs | Pastor

Dorothy Boulton and I are grateful that we serve a congregation that recognizes the value of pastoral sabbaticals. We each have had two sabbaticals, and I'm looking forward to my third. The Presbytery's policy now recommends a three-month sabbatical every five years. My last one was in 2016, so I'm a little overdue. The thought of taking a sabbatical during a pandemic didn't feel all that restful. But now, thank God, we are in a different place.

My three-month sabbatical will begin on Monday, June 3, and I plan to be back in the office on Wednesday, September 4, and back in worship on September 4, as we kick-off a new program year.

The Lilly Congregational Sabbatical Grant (of which both Dorothy and I were recipients) application asks pastors: What will make your heart sing? This is a good question to frame what a sabbatical experience should be about. The theme of my previous sabbatical was pilgrimage. In many respects, that experience and the insights I gained from that generative season in my life continue to bear fruit, personally and professionally. One significant awareness that emerged while walking the Camino was that I wanted to deepen my interest in the relationship between Reformed theology and analytical (Jungian) psychology. In 2016, my sabbatical journey in Europe finished in Zurich. In 2017, I was back in Zurich exploring the possibility of studying at the C.G. Jung Institute in Küsnacht. I was accepted into the program soon after that, and have been plugging along on a very part-time basis ever since. Fast forward to 2024, I have now completed all my exams and my

psychoanalytic training is almost finished, with only a thesis left to write.

What would make my heart sing? Undivided time spent doing research and writing the thesis. My topic is C.G. Jung's relationship with Protestant pastors and theologians. Jung made many attempts to bridge analytical psychology and theology throughout his life, with limited lasting success. Using the image or symbol of the bridge as an organizing focus, the thesis will explore the need for a new bridge between Protestant theology and the field of analytical psychology. Analytical psychology has much to gain from a renewed engagement with theological disciplines, and analytical psychology has much to offer pastors and theologians in our time, as well as the church. The bridge image is also important for me as I strive to bridge, within me, what it means to be a Reformed pastortheologian and an analyst. In this respect, I view the thesis as part of my ongoing individuation process.

Having the opportunity to immerse myself in the material (most of which I've been gathering for several years now) and just writing would really feed my soul. The thesis must be 60 pages—so not that long. The chairperson of my thesis committee (a Jungian analyst and a Reformed pastor in Basel) reminded me that the thesis required by the Institute is not a doctoral thesis; it's not designed to be an academic piece. "So make it interesting," she said. I hope to find a place to write for a few weeks, either in the U.S. or Europe.

In addition to writing, I plan to do other things that feed my soul, such as hiking and traveling. I've been invited to take part in a seminar at the Jung Institute at the end of June that showcases some of the research projects of students. After that, Mark will join me in Zurich, and then we'll visit some places that we both love (such as Scotland) and find a new place for us to explore together, possibly Copenhagen. I would like to make a pilgrimage to the grave of Sören Kierkegaard and visit the Kierkegaard Museum and Library. We plan to be in Europe for about a month. I will also be intentional about making time truly to stop and rest my body and mind so that I can return to CPC feeling rested and restored.

Then, in the fall, we will plan a potluck supper and offer a program to share some of my sabbatical experiences.

For these three months, Dorothy Boulton will become acting Head of Staff and have increased weekly hours. Dorothy will preach three Sundays (one Sunday per month). For the other Sundays, we will have guest preachers. The Reverends Ted and Moffett Churn will preach approximately four times throughout the summer, as well as help with worship on the other Sundays. Ted and Moffett have also offered to help with pastoral care during this time – thank you! Deacon Rick Santos will preach one Sunday. There will be opportunities for Ruling Elders Stephanie Stevens, Kevin Flis, and Jeff Bolognese to preach as well. Rev. Michael Cuppett will take one Sunday too.

All in all, I know that the congregation will be very good hands. And I trust and hope that these summer months will be a time of rest and renewal, that you will (re)connect with the things that make your hearts sing.



#### **Pride Celebrations**

The fourth annual Catonsville Family Pride is just around the corner on June 15 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.! This family-centered event centers the joy and lives of LGBTQ+ people and draws Catonsville together for an uplifting festival replete with games, food, vendors, live music, and pony rides. We will join other open and affirming congregations in Catonsville for a shared booth. Keep your eyes peeled on our social media, weekly email newsletter, and the bulletin for information on purchasing tickets.



#### **Refreshing Our Image**

"Catonsville Presbyterian Church Family Child Care Center" is a very long name. For years (or perhaps decades) the families of the center and the wider Catonsville community have nicknamed it "Presby." We are excited to announce that the Child Care Council has officially changed the name of our child care center to Presby Child Care Center. This change will be announced to the wider community and celebrated at the beginning of June. Along with the name change, we will launch a revitalized website and new logo.

# **Renewing The Church's Vision**

This year, the 226th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church will convene in Salt Lake City, Utah from June 29 to July 4.

The assembly is primarily supported by the per capita dollars each member of the Presbyterian

Church (U.S.A.) gives toward the work of the national church. Per capita makes it possible for commissioners, advisory delegates, and committee support to participate in the assembly without taking on the financial burden of travel and accommodations. Per capita also supports a dependent care policy that offsets the costs caretakers incur when

giving their time and energy to the assembly.

Worship at the 226th General Assembly (2024) will embody this year's theme, "Live into Hope." Shaped by Scripture—especially Luke 4:16–20—and steeped in the words of Jane Parker Huber's hymn, these services will include passionate preaching,

stirring song, fervent prayer, and inspiring testimony to the transforming work of Christ among us. As the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) listens for the voice of the Spirit and seeks the fulfillment of God's Word in this world, let us "live into hope!"

# What is the General Assembly, and what does it do?

**₹**he General Assembly consists of commissioners elected by presbyteries. Half of the commissioners will be ruling elders, half will be teaching elders. Few will ever have been commissioners to the General Assembly before, but most will have served in one of the other governing bodies of our church: the session, which provides care and

oversight of a local congregation; the presbytery, which provides care and oversight of a group of congregations; or the synod which provides care and oversight of several presbyteries.

It reviews the work of synods, resolves controversies in the church, is responsible for matters of common concern for the whole church,



112th PC(USA) General Assembly, St. Louis, Missouri (1900).



and serves as a symbol of unity for the church.

The General Assembly has several specific responsibilities outlined in Chapter 3 of the Book of Order. The assembly seeks to protect our church from errors in faith and practice, is responsible for assuring that the expression of our theology remains true to the biblical standards in our historic confessions. The General Assembly presents a witness for truth and justice in our community and in the world community. It sets priorities for the church and establishes relationships with other churches or ecumenical bodies.

# How does the General Assembly work?

First, reports and recommendations come from the various arms of the Presbyterian Mission Agency and the Office of the General Assembly.

The Office of the General Assembly, headed by the Stated Clerk, is the ecclesiastical arm of the church. The Stated Clerk and his staff work to ensure that the Presbyterian Church maintains itself as a church. The Office of the General Assembly carries out all constitutional, and most ecumenical functions at the General Assembly.

Mission programs are carried out by the Presbyterian Mission Agency which supervises the work directed to be done by the General Assembly, and can make certain decisions on behalf of the Assembly.

Overtures from synods and presbyteries are the second source of General Assembly business. These governing bodies use Overtures to bring recommendations and matters of concern before the whole church.

Commissioners Resolutions are a third source of General Assembly business. As a commissioner one is entitled to sign two resolutions which will come before the whole assembly.

The meeting begins with an orientation on Saturday afternoon and that evening the plenary, or whole General Assembly, meets together to elect a Moderator from among the commissioners assembled.

The Moderator presides over the plenary meetings for the rest of the week.

Once a Moderator is elected, the assembly breaks up into assembly committees to consider particular kinds of business. Each committee is responsible for considering a number of items, and reporting back to the General Assembly on completed actions or their recommendations

The combined insights of all those on assembly committees become the recommendations to the whole assembly. If they are approved, they guide the church in the years to come.

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# Restoration in the Wake of Tragedy

**By Michael Cuppett** | Communications and Operations Manager

s people across the nation know—and we Aprofoundly felt—the cargo ship Dali destroyed the Francis Scott Key Bridge on March 26. As long as the Eiffel Tower is high, the Dali was bound for Sri Lanka, carrying nearly 5,000 shipping containers on its voyage across the seas. In the aftermath of the tragedy, facts and figures were published on everything from the cost of the bridge (anywhere from hundreds of millions to billions), the economic impact (fifteen million dollars per day), or the time it will take to rebuild (from one year to several). And yet, ironically, the number of shipping containers, the size of the ship, and all these figures are somewhat immaterial. From Roman Catholics to Unitarians, people of faith know that what ultimately matters are the real, lived experiences of our local and global neighbors. What matters are the lives of those impacted from the tragedy, our global and local neighbors, and the families of the six construction workers who died that terrible morning.

In the aftermath of the accident, the ship's Singapore-based manager said that the seafarers were "in good shape. They're being well looked after, well cared for." Thanks to the Baltimore International Seafarers' Center (BISC) and executive director Rev. Josh Messick, the ship's crew received an often-overlooked and underappreciated commodity: internet connection. With the help of a salvage ship, Rev. Messick provided the crew with Wi-Fi hotspots, a valuable asset for the seafarers as they awaited the slow but steady recovery and salvage efforts. Rev. Messick shared another small but meaningful token of care, enclosing 40 homemade muffins from a BISC volunteer. Though it may seem like a small gesture, it demonstrates the concern of Marylanders of faith not only for the tangible, material needs of those impacted, but a concern for the holistic person's wellbeing and sense of connection.

In April, BISC hosted its annual harbor cruise to raise awareness of its ministry. Though its normal attendance is typically around 80, over 150 participated this year out of concern for the Dali and the other seven ships stranded in the port. Rev. Messick reminded guests that BISC visits almost every ship that enters the port, ensuring that the human rights of seafarers are respected while providing constant care for each crewperson.



Rev. Joshua Messick (left), executive director, and the Rev. Mary Davisson (right), retired director, Baltimore International Seafarers' Center.

To support the efforts of BISC as they respond to the tragedy of the Key bridge collapse, the Mission Committee voted and sent \$4,000 on behalf of our congregation. We are grateful for the lasting partnership between CPC and the center, giving thanks especially for the life, witness, and persistent ministry of Lee Van Koten through BISC.

#### **Read More**

"Local outreach to seafarers stuck in Port of Baltimore," Sheilah Kast and Maureen Harvie, April 2, 2024, WYPR. tinyurl.com/wypr-seafarers

"Baltimore Seafarers' Center sees record attendance for annual cruise," Tori Yorgey, April 24, 2024, WBAL, tinyurl.com/wbal-seafarers

"The Dali crew is in limbo. With Wi-Fi, they can see the world outside the Port of Baltimore," Maya Lora, April 3, 2024, Baltimore Sun, tinyurl.com/balt-sun-seafarers

# Called As Partners in Christ's Service

By Michael Cuppett | Communications and Operations Manager

Each year, the Delaware-Maryland Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) hosts a dinner to celebrate lay ministry. This year's celebration was held on April 28, and had a familiar face in attendance: Deacon Charre Symms. Through her service to the Community of St. Dysmas, a Lutheran ministry to incarcerated Marylanders, Charre received an Award for Significant Ministry in the Synod.

The award is granted to individuals who, in the opinion of the award committee, have made a "significant difference through ministry; who has developed new ministries; or has exemplified the Lutheran faith through their service and ministry." During its selection process, the committee considers personal initiative, dedication, and the relationship between faith and service. Charre is the first Presbyterian to receive the award.

The Rev. Susan Beck, pastor of the Community of St. Dysmas, shared this about Charre's recognition: "We are so grateful for Charre's ministry with the Community of St. Dysmas and glad that her work has been recognized in this way. We are very grateful to Catonsville Presbyterian for your support of the Community of St. Dysmas."

Earlier this year, the Envision Board independently selected the Community of St. Dysmas for an Envision Grant. Details are included on page 12, but thanks to the support of the grant, the Community of St. Dysmas will hire a co-pastor to expand the ministry's reach to additional facilities.



From left to right: Rev. Susan Beck, a formerly-incarcerated member of the Community of St. Dysmas, and Deacon Charre Symms.

# About the Community of St. Dysmas: A Ministry of Restoration

The Community of St. Dysmas (CSD) is the Lutheran congregations within the Maryland State Correctional System. God's purpose for The Community of St. Dysmas is to share the transforming power of Christ's love with persons incarcerated in the Maryland Department of Corrections and to support them through weekly worship and Bible studies. In July, 2018, the Reverend Susan Beck was called to serve as Pastor of CSD.

Currently CSD is providing Word and Sacrament ministry at three facilities:

Maryland Correctional Institution - Women's (MCIW)

Maryland Correctional Training Center (MCTC)

Central Maryland Correctional Facility (CMCF)

We also provide devotional material by mail to incarcerated persons at the Maryland Correctional Institution and at other sites.

The offices of CSD are located in Salem Lutheran Chuch on Frederick Road. Rev. Beck will preach during worship this summer and join the table of open and affirming congregations at Pride. We look forward to hearing more about the recent ministry of the Community of St. Dysmas!



# **2024 Envision Grants**

Envision Grants are awarded every year to incubate new and innovative initiatives that extend beyond the church's annual programs and budget. Grants are awarded as seed money for new projects or programs, not for day-to-day operating expenses. Proposals must relate to ministry development, service in community, or social justice advocacy.



#### First & Franklin Presbyterian Church

#### Clean water for Taguasco, Cuba | \$11,750 | One-time grant

Background: The Presbyterian church in Taguasco is an open and affirming congregation and wants to provide safe and clean drinking water for the congregation and the community. First & Franklin Presbyterian Church has partnered with Taguasco for years and wishes to bring clean water to the church and neighbors.

Who: The Presbyterian church in Taguasco, Cuba, and their neighbors will receive access to a basic necessity: clean, safe water.

What: This Envision Grant will provide seed money for the system equipment (pumps, filters, tumbing, tanks, etc.), a five day workshop at the PC(USA) Living Waters for the World (LWW), and LWW covenant fees.

How: Volunteers from Baltimore Presbytery and other churches will install the system equipment. Members and youth from our congregation are invited to participate in traveling to Taguasco to help install the system.



#### **Community of St. Dysmas**

#### Ministry Expansion | \$10,000 per year | Two-year grant

Background: People in prisons are a very underserved and forgotten community. The rate of recidivism is markedly lower among those in a faith community. The Community of St. Dysmas is a Lutheran ministry serving people incarcerated in the Maryland Department of Corrections. The ministry has recently received a \$50,000 grant from St. Peter's Lutheran Church and they have a co-pastor who has been mentored for 2+ years.

Who: This grant provides new opportunities for faith-based community and pastoral support to inmates throughout Maryland state.

What: St. Dysmas will expand its ministry to additional facilities in Maryland.

How: This grant will partially fund a St. Dysmas co-pastor for two years.



#### **Catholic Medical Mission Board**

# Improving water sanitation and hygiene in rural Kenyan health clinics \$25,000 | One-time grant

Background: Lack of access to safe water, functioning latrines, and hand washing stations increases transmission of communicable diseases to patients, healthcare workers, and the community.

Who: Through the Catholic Medical Mission Board (CMMB), rural populations in Kenya will receive access to better sanitation and hygiene.

What: This project would provide 5 clinics access to water systems that provide clean water to healthcare workers, patients, and families.

How: CMMB will install five rainwater catchment systems and 30 hand washing stations at rural Kenyan health care clinics.



#### Santi School

#### Publishing Nepalese children's books | \$7,200 | One-time grant

Background: Santi School broke new ground with its children's book publishing and wishes to expand its reach to the districts of Nuwakot and Kavre. Santi Publishing is widening its search for new writers and illustrators—including undergraduate art students—to create culturally-relevant books for children in underserved areas of Nepal.

Who: Writers, illustrators, teachers, and undergraduate students will benefit from this grant in addition to the children who will cherish the books.

What: This grant will fund three new titles of Nepalese children's books.

How: The Santi School will educate teachers about the benefits of reading aloud and teach writers and illustrators how to produce new books.



#### **Catonsville Emergency Assistance**

#### ADA compliance for 23 Bloomsbury | \$14,000 | One-time grant

Background: Catonsville Emergency Assistance is a long-time, trusted partner of our congregation and provides vital food support, utility interventions, and social services.

Who: CEA clients will face fewer barriers when accessing services.

What: This grant will fund structural improvements and construction of an ADA compliant ramp and fire egress.



### Following the Spirit's Call Even Further

#### With stewardship in one hand and generosity in the other

In any given year, the Envision Board disburses \$60,000-\$80,000 to Envision Grant recipients. Like all grants, the process is intensive and requires a significant time commitment to complete an application.

Beginning this year, a new **Simple Gifts** program will expand our flexibility and capacity for financially jumpstarting the same types of intiatives. Because of its shorter, rolling application, it eases the barriers to small, grassroots projects that arise between giving cycles and makes it easier to test the waters on a new idea.



#### \$1,500 or less: simple gifts New

If your need is for \$1,500 or less, fill out a Simple Gifts application. Because it is a rolling application process, email the board before filling out your application to ensure there is money available. Simple Gift applications are accepted throughout the year until the funding runs out.



#### More than \$1,500: Envision Grants

Nothing's changed! If your need is for more than \$1,500, you need to apply for an Envision Grant. Envision Grants are reviewed and distributed on an annual cycle with applications due March 1 of each year. All Envision Grant application materials are due by March 1, 2025, including sponsor paperwork.



## **2024/2025** Leadership

Session	Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
	Jeff Bolognese	Melissa Lambdin	Rob Burriesci
	John Dittman	Norman Lazarus	Kevin Flis
	Mokube Ewane	Howie Nixon	Keith Glennan
	Bill Henderson	Nancy Burke	Amy Oaks
	Susan Jaeger		Stephanie Stevens
	David Hutton, Clerk	Ken Kovacs, Moderator	Dorothy Boulton, Associate Pastor
Deacons	Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
_	Tom Enokian*	Chuck Field	Patricia Chao
	Ami Guchhait	Jane Kennedy	Hollie Einolf
	Lum Offutt	Rick Santos	
	Sharon Pound	Susan Schultise	
	Betsy Zink	Charre Symms	* denotes moderator
<b>Envision Board</b>	Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
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	Linda Meyer	Wendy Kronmiller	Brewster Renn
		Laurie White*	Barbara Rice
			* denotes chair
Childcare	Class of 2025	Class of 2026	Class of 2027
Council	Betsy Hall	Megan Long	Judy Halsey
Council	Rich Johns*	Nancy McLaughlin	Lyn Walther
	Diane McCarter		
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#### **Financial Update**

Total\$	51,953
Actual Expense \$	-264,066
Actual Income\$	316,019

*Updated 04/30/2024* 

#### Per Capita Update

Per capita responsibility.... \$ 16,400 Contributions received..... \$ 935

Updated 04/30/2024

### **2024/2025 Committees**

Committee	Chair
Adult Education	Susan Jaeger
Building and Grounds	Nancy Burke
Christian Education	Jeff Bolognese
Childcare Council	Rich Johns and Jessica Renn
Envision Board	Laurie White
Fellowship	Stephanie Stevens
Finance	Bill Henderson
Mission	John Dittman
Nominating	Melissa Lambdin
Stewardship	Rob Burriesci
Outreach	Kevin Flis
Peace and Justice	Norman Lazarus
Personnel	Keith Glennan
Worship	Howie Nixon

Contact information for each of these committee chairs is available in the Realm directory

### Realm

Another Realm sign up and photo day is scheduled for June 2, 2024 in the France Room immediately following worship.

To access Realm, including the online directory, use the "Member login" button on the top navigation of the church website (catonsvillepres.org) or in the weekly email.

To watch a guided walkthrough and download resources, visit catonsvillespres.org/realm.

### **Summer worship**

Please note that summer worship will begin on June 2. We will gather at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall until the end of August. Though there will not be any Second Sunday programming, a children's area will be available in the Fellowship Hall.









