

# Grace United Church of Christ



**The Sixth Sunday After Pentecost**

**Worship Service**

**Sunday, July 4th , 2021**

## ***We Gather***

10:45am

Pre LiveStream Video Loop

Prelude

"Adagio Sostenuto", from "String Quartet in G Major", Op. 76,  
Joseph Haydn, arr. Mark L. Williams

*(During our prelude, please take your seat and enjoy the music as we center ourselves for worship and invite God's presence into our hearts.)*

Welcome

Ringling of the Bell

Preparing our Hearts

Call to Worship

Opening Hymn

Lead Us From Death to Life #581

(See Next Page for Lyrics)

Opening Hymn

Lead Us From Death to Life #581

Refrain:

Lead us from death to life, from falsehood to truth,  
from despair to hope, from fear to trust.

Lead us from hate to love, from war to peace;  
Let peace fill our hearts, let peace fill our world,  
let peace fill our universe.

Verse:

Still all the angry cries, still all the angry guns,  
Still now your people die, earth's sons and daughters.  
Let justice roll, let mercy pour down,  
Come and teach us your way of compassion.

(Refrain)

Verse:

So many lonely hearts, so many broken lives,  
Longing for love to break into their anguish.  
Come, teach us love, come, teach us peace,  
Come and teach us your way of compassion.

(Refrain)

Verse:

Let justice ever roll, let mercy fill the earth,  
Let us begin to grow into your people.  
We can be love, we can bring peace,  
We can still be your way of compassion.

Opening Prayer

Passing the Peace

*(Let us pass the peace with a Covid-Friendly smile, wave or some other sign of Christ's love)*

***We Listen***

First Reading

Acts 10: 9-22

Special Music

"Amazing Grace", Traditional American Melody,  
arr. Jan Sanborn

Gospel

*Luke 10:25-37*

Children's Message

Video Reflection

The Dalit in Southeast Asia

Sermon

Know Your Value

***We Respond***

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

**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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

## ***We are Sent***

Announcements

Closing Video                      Dear America

Closing Prayer                      For the Nations

Blessing

Closing Hymn                      This is My Song #591

This is my song, O God of all the nations,  
A song of peace for lands afar and mine.  
This is my home, the country where my heart is;  
here are my hopes, my dreams, my holy shrine;  
But other hearts in other lands are beating  
With hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.

My country's skies are bluer than the ocean,  
And sunlight beams on cloverleaf and pine.  
But other lands have sunlight too and clover,  
And skies are everywhere as blue as mine.  
Oh, hear my song, O God of all the nations,  
A song of peace for their land and for mine.

Dismissal

Postlude                      "Recessional on 'Materna'", Samuel A. Ward,  
arr. Douglas E. Wagner



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*Grace goes LIVE!*

*Please know that today's service is being live-streamed for those who can not worship with us in person. **If you prefer NOT to be in the live stream video, please sit in pews behind the center pillars.***

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*The children's moment will be on camera as well.  
If you would like your child NOT to be on camera,  
please speak to our AV team or an usher.*

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*(Note: Communion and the offering will NOT be live-streamed for privacy reasons.)*

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*Today's Special Music was brought to you by:*

*Soprano: Jessica Kehler*

*Alto: Jennie Huntoon*

*Tenor: Donald Toms*

*Bass: Robert Apgar*

*We appreciate you!*

# GRACE CHURCH ANNUAL PICNIC SERVICE

*Save The Date!!*

## Grace Church Annual Picnic Service

Join the Grace family for our annual Picnic. Enjoy the outdoors, getting to know the community, and a day full of praise and worship.

**When:** July 11th, 2021

**Where:** Rocky Ridge Park  
13616 Motters Station Rd.  
Rocky Ridge, MD 21778

**What to bring:** Please bring a side dish or dessert!

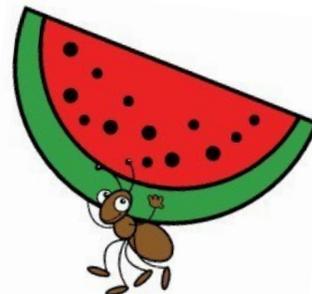
Worship will be held from **10:30am—11:30am**; then we EAT!!

\*Hamburg's and Hot Dogs will be provided by congressional life in addition to side dishes provided by members.

Anyone and everyone is invited to attend this is the BIG ONE!!!!

Please Feel free to bring drinks that you enjoy (non alcoholic).

If you would like to sign-up for attendance or to bring a side dish, the sign up list will be provided at back of the church. You can also email Careen at [Admin@grucc.com](mailto:Admin@grucc.com) with sign-up, questions, or comments!





# Grace UCC (Virtual) Book Club

Every Wednesday at 7:00pm

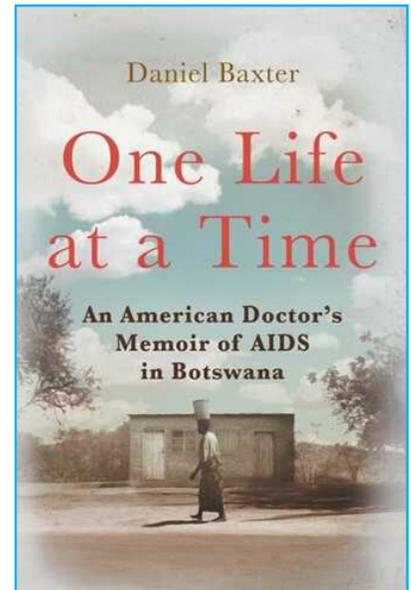
*Join us if you'd like to socialize, stretch your mind,  
or just leave the daily grind of life behind for a bit!*

## Message from Missy Moxley:

The book club has selected a new book! We will be reading, **One Life at a Time, an American Doctor's Memoir of AIDS in Botswana** by Daniel Baxter. We will be reading through Chapter 10 for next Wednesday.

## **One Life at a Time, an American Doctor's Memoir of AIDS in Botswana** by Daniel Baxter

Now, after caring for innumerable AIDS patients for eight years in Botswana, Baxter has written an urgent, quietly philosophical account of his journey into the early twenty-first century's new heart of darkness: AIDS in Africa, where legions desperately struggled to be among the spared and not the doomed. Part memoir, part travelogue, part chronicle of the zaniness of Botswana (one of the questions on his driver's license application was "Are you or have you ever been an imbecile?"), and part witness to suffering unknown to most Americans, his testimony is an unforgettable tribute to the many people he cared for. Join Baxter on his life-changing journey in Botswana, as he recounts the stories of people like Ralph, a deteriorating AIDS and cancer patient who nonetheless always wore a smile, or Precious, a woman found sick and abandoned in the capital's slum, or "No Fear," a rude man in Baxter's gym whose descent he halted. After many years on the front lines of the African pandemic, Baxter realized that "one life at a time" was the only way to fight AIDS.



Below is the recurring Zoom link which is also on our church website, [grucc.com](http://grucc.com), and Facebook page.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89654486377?pwd=T1VGSWWh2NFVkrRHhVVFk1cm1BUUppZz09>

Questions? Contact Missy Moxley at: [nehoneybee@gmail.com](mailto:nehoneybee@gmail.com) or Doris Moxley at:

[Dorismoxley@gmail.com](mailto:Dorismoxley@gmail.com). Please Email the church office at [admin@grucc.com](mailto:admin@grucc.com) to be added to the list for email notices.

# UCC COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS!

## MEET OUR RACIAL EQUITY AUDITORS

JULY 8TH, 2021 | 5:00PM – 6:00PM



The United Church of Christ affirms God's call to be an anti-racist church. Now what? How do we begin to live out this Synod mandate? How might our conferences and churches collaborate? Why do we need an audit? If these questions, and more, are on your mind join UCCB Board Chair, Yvette Wynn; Associate General Minister, Rev. Traci Blackmon, Conference Minister Chair, Rev. Gordon Rankin, and CULTURE BROKERS, our chosen racial equity audit partners for a panel discussion as we continue the journey toward anti-racism.

Click the link below to register!

[https://ucc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_t0qZwuOyRk2L\\_AICvKGhMA](https://ucc.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_t0qZwuOyRk2L_AICvKGhMA)

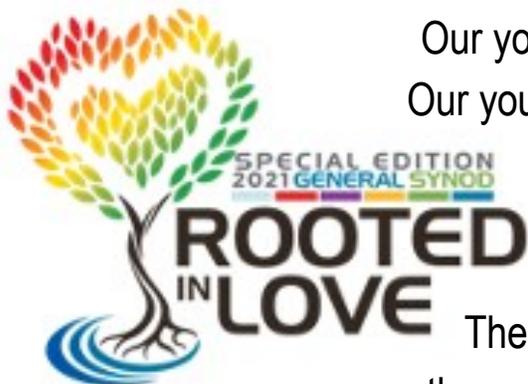
## JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL SYNOD!

## YOUTH@SYNOD

JULY 11TH–18TH, 2021

**Calling All Youth & Young Adults!**

Our youth will explore ways to connect and grow an active faith. Our young adults will connect in ways that nurture their spirituality. To learn more, visit [www.generalsynod.org/youth](http://www.generalsynod.org/youth).



**Registration opens May 1, 2021**

The Catoctin Association provides funds for up to one third of the cost for Synod. For information email Rebecca Shillingburg.

([Rebecca.shillingburg@gamil.com](mailto:Rebecca.shillingburg@gamil.com))



# GRACE UCC COMMUNITY EVENTS



## PLEASE JOIN ME FOR BOLT: TOTALLY 80'S VBS.

**DATE:** July 21-23, 2021

**TIME:** 6:30 PM-8:00 PM

Free!!

**PLACE:** Zoom! (Invite to be sent by email)

During BOLT, we're going to play games, sing songs, eat snacks, and take a tubular trip through the early church.

It's going to be so RAD!

RSVP by July 15<sup>th</sup> to  
[admin@grucc.com](mailto:admin@grucc.com)

# FREDERICK COMMUNITY NEWS

## SKY STAGE SWING DANCE

Downtown Frederick, Maryland  
First Thursdays, June - October  
7PM Beginner Lesson  
Social Dancing until 10pm

## SKY STAGE SWING DANCE

Enjoy an evening of Swing Dancing under the stars at the Frederick Arts Council's Sky Stage in downtown Frederick! Starting at 7pm, Amanda Comi of Revolution Modern Dance will offer a beginner lesson covering swing and blues basics. Social dancing will follow until 10pm. The music will be moderate tempo swing, jazz, and blues - taking into consideration the hot summer weather and the concrete dancing surface.

Your \$5 ticket fee is meant to help you remember your commitment to attend, and benefits Revolution Modern Dance, the Sky Stage, and the Frederick Arts Council. Future events will collect donations at the door. If you cannot pay online, please send Amanda an email to reserve a spot: [amanda@revolutionmoderndance.com](mailto:amanda@revolutionmoderndance.com). Face masks for ages 5+ are urged when you cannot distance and when you are enjoying a snack or beverage off the dance floor, as a courtesy to our more vulnerable or unvaccinated visitors, staff and volunteers.

July 1st — Aug. 19th | Free | 10:00 AM | 121 N. Bentz Street, Frederick, MD 21701

## SUMMERFEST FAMILY THEATRE

From clowns and magicians, to Emmy-awarding winning musicians and puppeteers, the Summerfest Family Theatre has brought high-quality entertainment to Frederick youngsters for over sixteen years!

From a modest beginning highlighting three programs throughout the summer, the series has grown to feature eight, full-length performances by some of the most sought-after children's performers in the region. Kids' sensations Laurie Berkner and Milkshake have both been part of the series, exposing more children than ever to the magic of the performing arts.



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Choir Section Leaders: James Taylor, Taylor Whidden,

Jennie Huntoon, & Donald Toms

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## SUNDAY WORSHIP – 11:00 AM — Virtual

Holy Communion is celebrated on the first Sunday of every month.

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### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Scripture Reader: ONLINE

Children's Message: N/A

Children's Church: N/A

Altar Guild: N/A

*If you would like to serve as a greeter, or host fellowship time after worship,  
please add your name to the sign up sheet in the Good Shepherd Room.*

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