

**February 19, 2017 *Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany* 10:00 a.m.**

**Gathering Thought:** “I find the doing of the will of God leaves me no time for disputing about His plans.” --George Macdonald

**ENTRANCE**

**Gathering  
Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude** *Your Grace Is Enough* W&S 3106  
*Just a Little Talk with Jesus* W&S 3107

**Lighting of the Altar Candles**

**\*Call to Worship**

*Leader:* Sing to the Lord, sing praises!

*People:* **Tell of all God’s wonderful works!**

*Leader:* Glory in God’s holy name;

*People:* **let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!**

**\*Hymn of Praise** *The Church’s One Foundation* UMH 545

**\*Affirmation of Faith** *I Corinthians 15:1-6 and Colossians 1:15-20* UMH 888

**\*The Gloria Patri** UMH 70

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

**Opening Prayer** (*seated and in unison*)

**Eternal God, send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift,  
which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue,  
without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you.  
Grant this for the sake of your only Son our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**Children’s Message** Debi Wynn  
**Special Music** *All Good Things Will Be Added unto You* - Shelton Becton  
Rhoda Wilson, soloist, & Chancel Choir

**Prayer for Illumination**  
**First Lesson** *II Kings 19:14-15* Pew Bible p. 307

**Sharing of Joys and Concerns/ Pastoral Prayer**

**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.**

**Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings**

**Offertory** *Swing Low* arr. Hart Morris  
Memorial Handbell Choir

**\*Song of Dedication** UMH 587

**Bless Thou the Gifts our Hands have brought;**

**Bless thou the work our hearts have planned.**

**Ours is the faith, the will, the thought;**

**The rest, O God, is in Thy hand.**

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Holy God, empower us to respond joyfully,**

**sharing in ministry with those who are hungry for food**

**and those who thirst for spiritual refreshment.**

**May our community of faith reflect more fully the priorities of the kingdom of God,  
even as we look forward to Christ’s return.**

**Receive our gifts and offerings for the sake of Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*Hymn of Preparation** *How Firm a Foundation* UMH 529  
**Second Lesson** *Philippians 4:1-9* Pew Bible p. 955

**Sermon** *Stay on Target* Rev. Cliff Webner

**SENDING FORTH**  
**\*Hymn of Commitment** *Where He Leads Me* UMH 338

**\*Carrying the Light of Christ into the World**

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**

**\*Postlude** *How Firm a Foundation* arr. Don Hustad  
Judy Zahren, guest organist

**\*Going Forth**

*\*Please rise in posture or spirit*

*TFWS: The Faith We Sing*

*UMH: U.M. Hymnal*

***Bold print: in unison***

*W&S: Worship and Song*

Welcome! Warm greetings and love in Christ are extended to all members and guests.

*If you presently have no church home,  
we hope you will consider making Loch Raven Church your home.*

Thank you for signing the pew registration book.

*(Addresses, phone numbers, & email addresses help us to personally thank you for your visit.)*

Please call the Church Office if you have any questions or if we can be of assistance to you.

**We appreciate the services today of:**

**Greeters:** Myra Wagner  
**Acolyte:** Usher  
**Liturgist:** Nancy Gillotti  
**Ushers:** Jon Cuthbert, Jen Dorsey, Art Schoelkopf, Sandra Edmonds

Children's Activity Sheets are available in the Narthex.

**Large print bulletins are available. See an usher.**

**Altar Flowers**

The vases are given by Ron and Patti Ferguson.

The bowl is given by the Akerele family.

*The 2017 chart for giving Altar flowers is up in the Arcade (downstairs hallway).*

**Ministries of Loch Raven Church**

**Prayers:** Please pray daily for our brothers and sisters in Christ and those on the Prayer List. The member to remember this week is: Mrs. Shirley Messman

**Presence:** 88                      **February 12, 2017**                      **Gifts:** \$5,261

**LRUMC Mission Statement**

“Loch Raven United Methodist Church is a multicultural community of faith, called by God to be a living witness to the Good News of Jesus Christ by serving as stewards of God's gifts and blessings. We minister through worship, learning, fellowship and mission to the community.”

**MINISTERS & EVANGELISTS:** The People of Loch Raven United Methodist Church  
**PASTOR:** Rev. Cliff Webner                      [cwebner@lrumc.org](mailto:cwebner@lrumc.org)                      Home: 410-592-5222  
**PASTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE:** Rev. Wayne Harting  
**ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY:** Anne McCorkle Garrett  
**DIRECTOR OF MUSIC:** Samuel Chin  
**ORGANIST:** Patricia Gould

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## *Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities*

**Confirmation classes begin Sunday, February 26th at 9:00 AM.** We will be meeting in the Youth Room, #214, for twelve weeks. The class is for students in the sixth through twelfth grade.

**Pastor's Spring Bible Study** will be a four-week study about what it means to follow in Jesus' footsteps on consecutive Mondays beginning March 6<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 PM and ending on March 27.

The **March/April Upper Rooms** are available in the narthex and sanctuary hallway. The cost is \$1.00.

This year's **Lenten Sermon Series is called "Lessons from the Cross."** It begins on March 12 and runs through March 26.

The **2017 Flower Chart** is up in the Arcade (hallway). Please sign up to beautify our altar to honor or celebrate a loved one.

**Bulletins** – Submissions for items to be included in the bulletin would be greatly appreciated by Tuesday. They can be e-mailed to [Office@LRUMC.org](mailto:Office@LRUMC.org) or dropped off in the Office mailbox in the downstairs hallway.

**Cookies** are needed for the **Board of Child Care**. There will be a box outside Fellowship Hall for donations from Feb 5 until Feb 26. Thank you for helping.

**Food Collections** - During this February missions season, donations are needed for ACTC of potatoes, canned or boxed. Please place items in collection boxes outside Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your support.

**Inclement Weather Policy** - In the event of inclement winter weather, you may call the church office on Sunday morning to determine whether church services remain scheduled for the day. The telephone number is 410-825-0900.

## *Church Calendar for the Week*

Sunday	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. after worship 12:30 a.m.	<b>Sunday School for all ages</b> <b>Worship</b> <b>Fellowship Time</b> St. Paul's Ghana Methodist Church	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Sanctuary
Monday – Friday			
	6:30 AM – 6:00 p.m. 6:30 AM – 6:30 p.m.	The Learning Garden Preschool IMPROVE Before- & After-School Care	Rooms 122, 116 Rooms 208, 214
Monday	9:15 a.m.	Aerobics	Auditorium
Tuesday	9:30 a.m. 6:15 p.m.	<b>Sandwich Making for Essex UMC</b> Aerobics	Kitchen Auditorium
Wednesday	9:30 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	<b>March Spire Assembly</b> <b>Staff-Parish Relations</b>	Fellowship Hall Parlor
Thursday	9:15 a.m. 6:15 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.	Aerobics Aerobics <b>Handbell Rehearsal</b> <b>Choir Rehearsal</b>	Auditorium Auditorium Bell Room Choir Room
Friday	10:30 a.m.	Al-Anon	Room 128
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal	Room 210
<b>Upcoming Events</b>			
Feb. 26	9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.	<b>Confirmation Class</b> <b>Fundraising Meeting</b>	Room 214 Parlor
Mar. 1	7 p.m.	<b>Ash Wednesday Worship</b>	Sanctuary
Mar. 8	7 p.m.	<b>Trustees Meeting</b>	Parlor



***New Prayer Requests***

Alfonso Cox (by Dana Cox 2/12)

***Recent Prayer Requests***

Jersey Ann (by Amanda Brown 2/5)

Iris (by Dan & Jen Dorsey 2/5)

Carol Bair (by Linda Cole 2/5)

William Russell (by Marcia Thomas-Smith 1/30)

Venetia (by Marcia Thomas-Smith 1/30)

Lisa Kolp (by Amanda Brown 1/29)

Georgia Hurry (by Nancy Gillotti 1/29)

The family of Dorothy Blemah (by Doris Ndlovu 1/27)

Janet Gaver (by Judy Zahren 1/26)

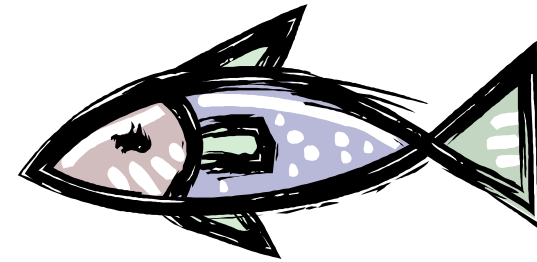
Brian Dorsey (by Jenny Dorsey 1/23)

The Reverend Tom Umbel (by Debi Wynn 1/23)

Jim Wagner (by Myra Wagner 1/22)

*Prayer requests will be held for one month, unless requested otherwise.*

Loch Raven United Methodist Church  
invites you to our  
Annual Lenten Event



**Chicken & Fish Fry  
with potato salad,  
green beans, & cornbread**

Friday, March 24, 2017  
6:00 p.m.

Adults \$12

Children \$10

Tickets available Sunday mornings  
in Fellowship Hall following Worship  
and

weekdays in the Church Office 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.  
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