

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: Cecelia Miller
Ushers: Rick Neumann, Jen Dorsey, Art Schoelkopf, Sandra Edmonds

Children's Bulletins are available in the Narthex for children ages 3 - 12.

Large print bulletins are available. See an usher.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are given in honor of Cathy Miles
and the LRUMC Memorial Handbell Choir.

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. Grace Boner.

PRESENCE: February 4, 2018: 77

Offering: \$6442.25

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

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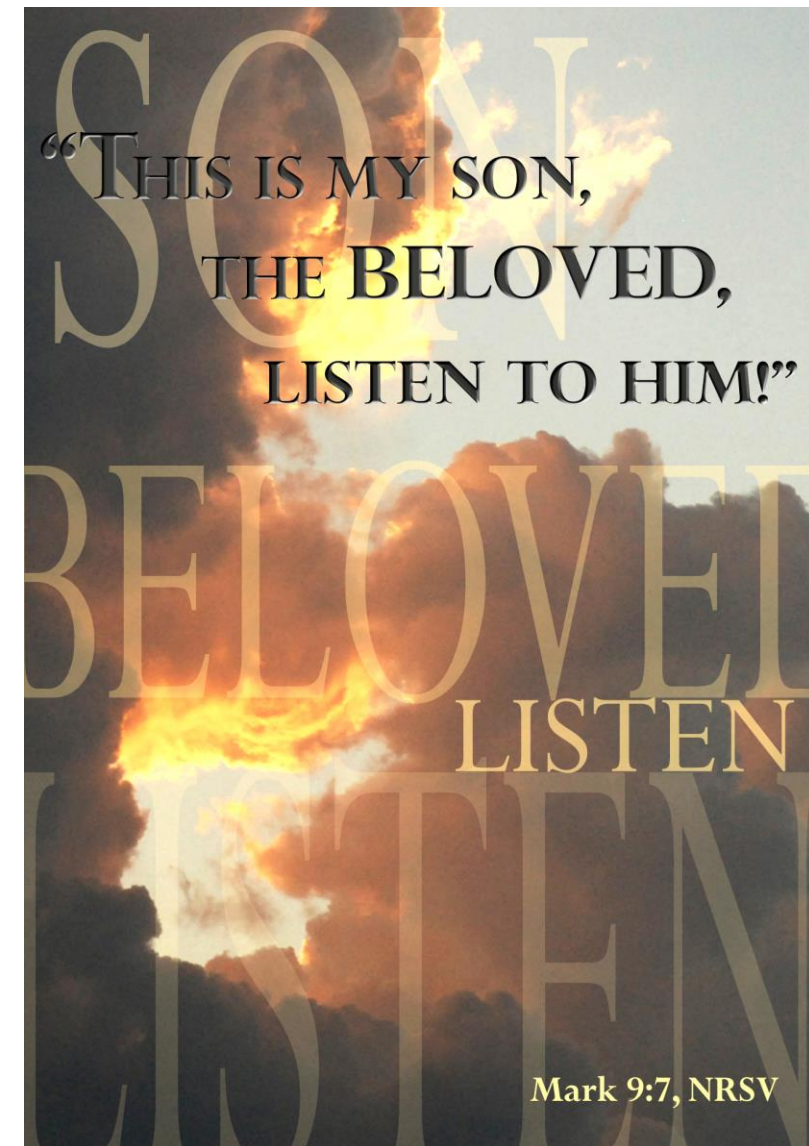
DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Samuel Chin

ORGANIST: Patricia Gould

CHILD CARE PROVIDER: Amy Price

Transfiguration Sunday

February 11, 2018



Loch Raven United Methodist Church

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The Order of Worship

CENTERING WORDS: Chariots and horses of fire . . . a prophet taken up into heaven . . . a gospel unveiled . . . Moses, Elijah, and Jesus shining brighter than the sun . . . the time approaches and now is. Watch . . . listen . . . perceive . . . God is with us. Nothing is as it seems.

ENTRANCE

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

Simple Gifts

Shaker Folk Hymn, arr. Spong

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The glory of God is too great for you to bear.

People: **We are not afraid. We will not turn back.**

Leader: The mystery of God runs too deep for you to fathom.

People: **We are not deterred. We will not turn back.**

Leader: The fiery chariot of Elijah is not for mortal sight to see.

People: **We are blessed with the eyes of faith. We will not turn back.**

Leader: Come then, and worship our God, who took Elijah up to heaven in a whirlwind.

People: **We will worship the Lord, who transfigured Moses, Elijah, and Jesus to shine like the sun.**

*HYMN OF PRAISE

Swing Low, Sweet Chariot

UMH 703

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Ecumenical Version

UMH 882

OPENING PRAYER (*seated and in unison*)

God of mighty tempest and devouring fire, you come to us shrouded in mystery. Just as Elisha followed Elijah until he was taken up into heaven, we will follow Christ up the mountain to behold his glory. Who are Moses and Elijah that we should not join their ranks among the faithful? What is to prevent us from shining with Christ this very day? Give us eyes and ears of faith, Holy One, that we may see the heavens open and hear your voice, calling us to follow your Son. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Rhoda Wilson

SPECIAL MUSIC

Ride On, King Jesus
Chancel Choir

arr. Drennan

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON

2 Kings 2:1-12

Pew Bible p. 290

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS AND 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

A Medley of Faith
LRUMC Memorial Handbell Choir

arr. Rogers

*THE DOXOLOGY

UMH 94

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;

Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God, the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*OFFERING PRAYER

Light of Light, when we grow accustomed to dwelling in the shadows and painting with drab colors, you bless us with your radiance and the vitality of your love. Illumine these gifts, Holy One, that the world may see your light shining through our offering. Illumine our very lives, O God, that we may remain restless until we shine like Christ upon the mountain, until we follow Elisha's footsteps and behold your glory. Amen.

SECOND LESSON

Mark 9:2-9

Pew Bible p. 820-821

*HYMN OF PREPARATION

Days of Elijah

W&S 3186

SERMON

Rev. George Winkfield

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

This Little Light of Mine

UMH 585

*CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

Praise to the Lord of Boundless Might

Scott

*GOING FORTH

**Please rise in posture or spirit*

Bold print: in unison

TFWS: The Faith We Sing

UMH: U.M. Hymnal

W&S: Worship and Song

Prayer List

New Prayer Requests

Steve Carrigan (*friend of Yvonne and Gary Horn*)
The family of Kenneth Sinkler
Jo Thomas

Recent Prayer Requests

Elias Beck (*Brian & Cecelia Miller's grandson – 1/28*)
Tom Gayer & Tom Judy (*Myra Wagner's brothers-in-law – 1/28*)
Gary and Shirley Messman (*1/28*)
The Sinkler Family (*1/28*)
Carmen Spencer (*Beverley Mignott's mother – 1/28*)
Darryl Brown (*David Brown's son – 1/21*)
Doreen Brown (*by Joyce Johnson – 1/21*)
Alfonso Cox (*1/21*)
Danielle and Zachary (*Edy Pratt's daughter and yet to-be-born grandson – 1/21*)
Lynn Fleming (*Amy Price's godfather – 1/21*)
Danielle Oster (*by Cheryl Wagner-Koogler – 1/21*)
Family of Grace Davies (*1/14*)
Cheryl Dickens (*by Marcia Thomas-Smith – 1/14*)
Jane Ferguson (*1/14*)
Family of Ernest McRae (*Marcia Thomas-Smith's uncle – 1/14*)
Family of Dane Phillips (*by Reynold Small – 1/14*)
Family of Tessa Roberts (*mother of Marcia Thomas-Smith's friend – 1/14*)
Vicki Shorter (*by Judy Zahren – 1/14*)
Laura Stinemire (*Marcia Thomas-Smith's co-worker – 1/14*)

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

Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities

PASTOR GEORGE'S BIBLE STUDY WILL NOT MEET THIS WEEK, DUE TO LENTEN ACTIVITIES.

TODAY IS THE DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH SPIRE Please place all articles in the Spire box in the church office or email your articles directly to Nancy Williams at njk.williams@yahoo.com. If you are not currently receiving the Spire by mail, or if you would like to receive the newsletter by email, please notify Myra Wagner at office@lrunc.org.

LENT ACTIVITIES:

- 1) MANY OF THE EVENTS FROM PALM SUNDAY TO EASTER SUNDAY ARE FAMILIAR TO YOU.** But you may find it helpful to study them in order, gaining a bit of perspective from each of the four Gospel writers. To help you attain a more well-rounded perspective of what God was doing in that week that changed our world, the **Becomers Adult Class** will study *Jesus' Final Week* beginning **Sunday, February 11**. Please join us at **9:00 AM in Room 202**.
- 2) SHROVE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13 AT 6:30 PM:** Have Breakfast for Dinner and learn about Shrove Tuesday. Please sign up outside Fellowship Hall.
- 3) ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14: Worship Service at 7:00 PM.**

COOKIES ARE NEEDED FOR THE BOARD OF CHILD CARE. There will be a box outside Fellowship Hall for donations until February 25. Thank you for helping.

FOOD COLLECTIONS - During February, donations of **potatoes (canned or boxed)** are needed for ACTC. Place items in collection boxes outside Fellowship Hall.

LECTIONARY READINGS:

For Ash Wednesday, February 14, 2018:

Joel 2:1-2, 12-17; Psalm 51:1-17; 2 Corinthians 5:20b-6:10; Matthew 6:1-6, 16-21

For Sunday, February 18, 2018:

Genesis 9:8-17; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:9-15

Church Calendar for the Week of February 11

INSERTS TODAY:

- 1) **SHROVE TUESDAY FLIER** – Take to share with a friend or family member.
- 2) **THERE WILL BE A FUNDRAISER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT CHICK-FIL-A, 2008 E. JOPPA ROAD, FROM 5 - 8 PM ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28.** You must present the insert to have your order count towards our VBS.
- 3) **IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PLACE A LOVELY PLANT IN THE SANCTUARY FOR EASTER SUNDAY** in memory and/or in honor of a loved one, see the insert for ordering information. Orders are due no later than March 4. You may place your order forms with payment in the offering plate.
- 4) **The UMW will be selling CANDY EASTER EGGS again this year.** See insert for ordering information.

SAVE THE DATE: LRUMC ANNUAL FISH FRY will be Friday, March 23, from 2 - 8 PM (dine in or carryout). Tickets are available Sundays between services in Fellowship Hall and weekdays in the Church Office (10 AM - 2 PM).
Cost: \$12 (adults) and \$10 (children 10 years old and under).

Today		Transfiguration Sunday Spire Deadline Sunday School for all ages Sunday Worship Fellowship Time Blood Pressure Screening UMW Executive Committee Meeting St. Paul's Ghana Methodist Church	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Education Office Parlor Sanctuary
	9:00 AM 10:00 AM Following Worship Following Worship Following Worship 12:30 PM		
Monday – Friday		IMPROVE Before & After Care	Rooms 208, 214
Monday	9:15 AM 6:30 PM	Aerobics IMPROVE Step-Dance Class	Auditorium Auditorium
Tuesday	6:15 PM 6:30 PM	Aerobics Shrove Tuesday Breakfast for Dinner	Auditorium Fellowship Hall
Wednesday	7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Ash Wednesday Worship Service Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary Choir Room
Thursday	9:15 AM 6:15 PM 7:00 PM	Aerobics Aerobics Handbell Rehearsal	Auditorium Auditorium Bell Room
Friday	10:30 AM 6:30 PM	Al-Anon IMPROVE Step-Dance Class	Fellowship Hall Auditorium
Saturday	7:00 AM 10:00 AM	Manna House Breakfast Club St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal	Manna House Room 210

Upcoming Events

Feb. 18	11:15 AM	Fundraising Team Meeting	Parlor
Feb. 21	9:30 AM	Spire Assembly	Fellowship Hall