

January 8, 2017 Baptism of the Lord Sunday 10:00 AM

Gathering Thought: "A baptism of holiness, a demonstration of godly living is the crying need of our day." --Duncan Campbell

ENTRANCE

**Gathering
Welcome and Announcements
Prelude**

To Follow the Star

Franklin Ritter
Judy Zahren, guest organist

Lighting of the Altar Candles and Christ Candle

***Call to Worship**

Leader: O Give thanks to the Lord, call on God's Holy name,

People: **Make known God's deeds among the people.**

Leader: Sing to the Lord, sing praises!

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

***Hymn of Praise**

Christ for the World We Sing

UMH 568

***Affirmation of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed, Traditional

UMH 881

***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

**Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan
you proclaimed him your beloved Son
and anointed him with the Holy Spirit.**

**Grant that all who are baptized into his name
may keep the covenant they have made,
and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior,
who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns,
one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.**

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

**The Baptismal Covenant
Special Music**

This Little Light of Mine

See Insert
arr. Neil Johnson
Chancel Choir

Children's Message

Carole Webner

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson

Isaiah 42:1-9

Pew Bible p. 584

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

In Christ Alone

arr. Mark Hayes
Handbell Choir
UMH 94

***The Doxology**

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!

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

We acknowledge our baptism, O God,

and the call to become members of Christ's body.

Accept our gifts, that others may be led into your way.

Help us so to arrange our priorities

that we may seek first the reign of God on earth. Amen.

***Hymn of Preparation**

When Jesus Came to Jordan

UMH 252

Second Lesson

Matthew 3:13-17

Pew Bible p. 784

Sermon

The Baptism of Jesus

Rev. Cliff Webner

SENDING FORTH

***Hymn of Commitment**

Children of the Heavenly Father

UMH 141

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

***Dismissal with Blessing**

***Postlude**

The Church's One Foundation

arr. James Manfield

***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: Nancy Gillotti
Acolyte: Usher
Liturgist: Phil Lee
Ushers: Jon Cuthbert, John Christopher, Rebecca Mickey, Jen Webster

Children's Activity Sheets are available in the Narthex.

Large print bulletins are available. See an usher.

Altar Flowers

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. Elsie Chang

PRESENCE: December 30, 2016: End of Year gifts Offering: \$1370
January 1, 2017 Offering: \$4961.17

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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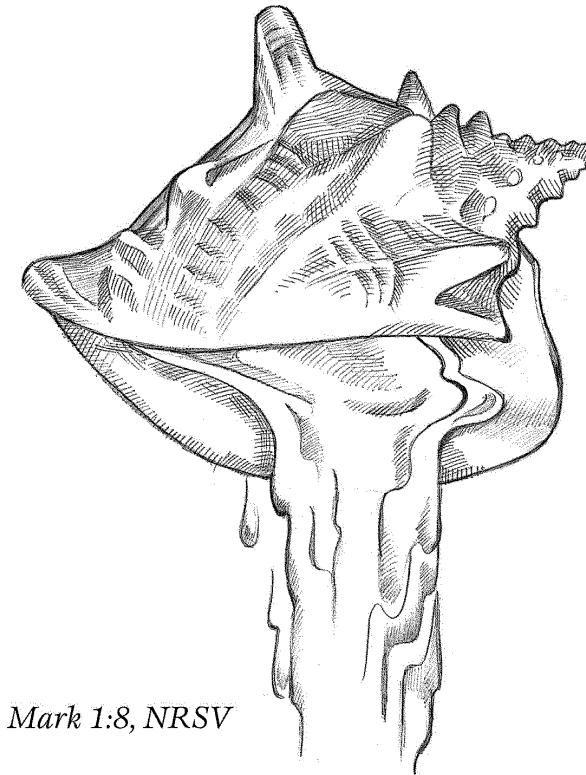
Myra Wagner is currently on leave of absence.

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Samuel Chin
ORGANIST: Patricia Gould

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*“I have baptized you
with water; but he will baptize
you with the Holy Spirit.”*



Mark 1:8, NRSV

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SHARING, CARING, AND STUDYING OPPORTUNITIES

The **2017 LRUMC Officer Lists** are available in the narthex.

The **2017 Offering Envelopes** are on a table in the Arcade (downstairs hallway). Please pick yours up today!

Food Collections

During this January missions season, donations are needed for ACTC of canned pasta meals. Please place items in collection boxes outside Fellowship Hall. Thank you for your support.

Inclement Weather Policy

In the event of inclement 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.

The **January/February Upper Room** is available in the Narthex on the History Cabinets and by the 2nd floor entrance to the Sanctuary. These daily devotional booklets may be obtained for a \$1 donation.

Thank you to Delores Courtney for sharing her beautiful **Nativity sets** and wise men in the Christmas display.

The Baltimore-Washington Conference will once again be offering **college scholarships** for the Fall 2017 semester. **Students can apply January 3 – March 1, 2017 through an online application system.** Scholarships are available to students attending or enrolling in accredited colleges and universities in the United States. Students must be an active member of a church for at least one year and be attending (or will attend) an accredited college or university within the United States full-time. Students will need to provide their official transcript (high school or college) and contact information for two church references (pastor and another member of the church). In addition, the student must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale. For additional information and to apply, visit [http: www.bwcumc.org/administration/finance/local-church-resources/scholarships](http://www.bwcumc.org/administration/finance/local-church-resources/scholarships).

CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. after worship 11:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages Worship Fellowship Time St. Paul's Ghana Methodist Church	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Sanctuary
Monday – Friday	6:30 AM – 6:00 PM 6:30 AM – 6:30 PM	The Learning Garden Preschool IMPROVE Before- & After-School Care	Rooms 122, 116 Rooms 208, 214
Monday	9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium
Tuesday	6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium
Thursday	9:15 AM 6:15 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Aerobics Aerobics Handbell Rehearsal Choir Rehearsal	Auditorium Auditorium Bell Room Choir Room
Friday	10:30 a.m.	Deadline for Statistical Report Al-Anon	Room 128
Saturday	10:00 a.m.	St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal	Room 210

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan. 15		Finance Cmte. Meeting	Parlor
Jan. 16		<i>Church Office Closed</i>	
Jan. 25	7:00 p.m.	Church Council Meeting	Fellowship Hall



New Prayer Requests

Roy Danforth *(by Karen Danforth 1/5)*

Michael Koogler *(by Cheryl Wagner-Koogler 1/3)*

Jen & Justin Byrd's family on the loss of her mother *(by Maria Stockton-Porter 1/1)*

Recent Prayer Requests

The family of Ms. Scott Lilly *(by Marcia & Gary Smith 12/24)*

The family of Jeannette Chilcoat *(by Susan Emory 12/27)*

Terry Stowe *(by Patti Ferguson 12/19)*

Evan Horn *(by Yvonne & Gary 12/18)*

The family of Dellroy Harrison *(12/15)*

The family of Lee Hammond who passed 9 December *(by Judy Zahren 12/20)*

Dontae Pendleton *(by Jan Hoener 12/11)*

David Pearce *(by Sharon Neumann 12/11)*

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