

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: Reynold Small
Ushers: John Christopher, Jen Webster

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

Large print bulletins are available. See an usher.

ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers are given by the Wilson family
in celebration of Daniella Marie's second birthday.

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 Mr. Russell Thompson.

PRESENCE: January 5, 2020: 87

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

LEAD PASTOR: Rev. Dr. George Winkfield

PASTOR OF CONGREGATIONAL CARE: Rev. Wayne Harting

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY: Myra Wagner

INTERIM DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Judith Zahren

ORGANIST: Patricia Gould

CHILD CARE PROVIDER: Amy Price

Baptism of the Lord

January 12, 2020

10:00 AM

**"This is my Son,
the Beloved, with whom
I am well pleased."**



Matthew 3:17, NRSV

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The Order of Worship

CENTERING WORDS: What if we recognized the image of God within us? What if we celebrated that we are God's beloved from the beginning of our existence? What if we claimed being chosen and destined for a loving purpose? How would we live and respond?

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated* arr. Keveren
Lighting of the Altar Candles

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Created in God's loving image,

People: **we gather as the children of God.**

Leader: Beloved by Christ, who loves us well,

People: **we gather as the beloved body of Christ.**

Leader: Blessed by the Spirit of God,

All: **we gather in the power of the Holy Spirit.**

*GUEST WELCOME/HOLY WAVE

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* W&S (green book) 3001

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Ecumenical Version* UMH 882

INVOCATIONAL PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Theresa Alaeze

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON *Isaiah 42:1-9* Pew Bible, p. 584-585

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.

SECOND LESSON *Matthew 3:13-17* Pew Bible p. 784-785

HYMN OF PREPARATION *You Are Mine* TFWS (black book) 2218

SERMON Rev. George Winkfield

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Wade in the Water* Spiritual
Chancel Choir

***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

Glory and strength are yours, O God. May these gifts be offerings of glory and strength, bringing the glory of your love, and the strength of your grace, to those who need them most. In your precious name, we pray. Amen.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** *Baptized in Water* TFWS (black book) 2248

*CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *Hymn to Joy* Beethoven, arr. Smith

**Please rise if you are able*

Bold print: in unison

TFWS: The Faith We Sing

UMH: U.M. Hymnal

W&S: Worship and Song

Prayer List

Prayer Requests from January 5

Family of Kathy (*director of LRUMC's former preschool*)

Damian (*Merrill's stepson*)

Family of Kobi (*Adelaide's brother*)

Ellie (*Merrill's great-niece*)

Femi and family (*req. by Reynold*)

Ruth

Recent Prayer Requests

Jane (*Myra's mother – 12/29*)

Lee and Jeannette (*Gladys' parents – 12/29*)

Judy (*12/29*)

Family of John (*Mary Lou's brother – 12/22*)

Denise (*Linda's sister – 12/22*)

Family of Eugene (*12/15*)

Gregory (*Rebecca's friend – 12/15*)

Jane (*req. by Judy– 12/15*)

Family of Christian (*Dolores's nephew – 12/15*)

Peggy (*Isabelle's friend – 12/15*)

RJ (*12/15*)

Family of Willard (*req. by Cheryl– 12/15*)

Rick (*11/24*)

Venetia (*Marcia's sister– 11/10*)

Dontae (*Jan's godson – 7/21*)

Adrian (*7/21*)

Prayer requests will be listed for one month unless requested otherwise.

Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities

TODAY IS THE DEADLINE FOR THE FEBRUARY SPIRE. Please place all articles in the Spire box in the church office or email your articles directly to Nancy Williams. **Committee chairpersons may submit monthly newsletter articles so that the congregation is aware of your activities and hard work.** Also, if you are not currently receiving the Spire by mail or email, please notify Myra Wagner.

PASTOR GEORGE'S BIBLE STUDY on the book of Romans begins this Thursday, January 16 at 10:30 AM and next Tuesday, January 21 at 7 PM. The sessions will continue on Tuesdays and Thursdays through May. Please sign up on the bulletin board downstairs. Books are available in the office.

YOU MAY PICK UP YOUR 2020 OFFERING ENVELOPES IN THE ARCADE.

2020 PLEDGE CARDS HAVE BEEN MAILED! Please prayerfully consider your giving for 2020, fill out the card and return it to church by January 26.

THE FLOWER CHART FOR 2020 has been posted in the arcade. Prices are listed on the chart. Signup to reserve your date. Thank you to everyone for your participation in 2019.

IF YOU WISH TO GIVE YOUR OFFERING ELECTRONICALLY, you may do so by visiting our website (www.lrumc.org) and clicking on the VANCO link.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY UPPER ROOMS are available in two places in the Church – in the Narthex and by the 2nd floor entrance to the Sanctuary. These bi-monthly daily devotional booklets may be obtained for a \$1 donation.

MONTHLY COLLECTION FOR ACTC: Canned Tomatoes, Canned Fruit
Please place your items in the box labeled "Missions Collections" outside Fellowship Hall.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JANUARY 19

Isaiah 49:1-7; Psalm 40:1-11; 1 Corinthians 1:1-9; John 1:29-42

Church Calendar for the Week of January 12

Today	Spire Deadline	
9:00 AM	Sunday School	
10:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:15 AM	Fellowship Time	Fellowship Hall
12:30 PM	St. Paul's Ghana Methodist Church	Sanctuary

Upcoming Events

Monday – Friday							
7:00 – 9:00 AM	IMPROVE Before-School Care	Room 208, Hall	Jan. 19	11:30 AM	Finance Meeting	Parlor	
3:00 – 6:45 PM	IMPROVE After-School Care	Rooms 119, 208, 214, Hall	Jan. 20		Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	Church Office closed	
Monday	9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium	Jan. 21	9:30 AM	Sandwich-making for Essex UMC	Kitchen
Tuesday	6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium		11:00 AM	Food Pantry	Fellowship Hall
					7:00 PM	Pastor's Bible Study	Room 128
Wednesday	7:00 PM	Church Council	Fellowship Hall	Jan. 22	7:00 PM	SPRC Meeting	Parlor
Thursday	9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium	Jan. 23	10:30 AM	Pastor's Bible Study	Room 128
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	6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium				
	7:00 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary				
	8:00 PM	Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room				
Friday	10:30 AM	Al-Anon	Fellowship Hall				
	7:00 PM	St. Paul's Prayer Meeting	Room 210				
Saturday	10:00 AM	St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal	Room 210				
	12:00 PM	St. Paul's Prayer Meeting	Room 210				