

Welcome! Warm greetings and love in Christ are extended to all members and guests ... Thank you for signing the pew registration book. (*Addresses and phone numbers help us to personally thank you for your visit.*) Please call the Church Office 410-825-0900, if you have any questions or if we can be of assistance to you.

**WE APPRECIATE THE SERVICES TODAY OF:**

**Greeters:** Beverley Mignott (Downstairs); Ushers (Upstairs)  
**Acolyte:** Usher  
**Liturgist:** Karen Danforth  
**Ushers:** Brian Miller, Myra Wagner

**Infants & Young Children** are cared for during Worship in Room 209.

**Children's Activity Sheets** are available in the Narthex.

**Large Print Bulletins Available – See an usher.**

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

*The altar flowers are given by Judy Zahren  
in memory of Terry Zahren.*

**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. Ruth Weygand, 615 Chestnut Avenue, Room 482, Baltimore, MD 21204.

**PRESENCE:** July 17, 2016: 99      Offering: \$4900.51

**LRUMC VISION 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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# The Summer of Hope



**“I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live  
... then you shall know that I, the Lord,  
have spoken and will act, says the Lord.”**

**Ezekiel 37:14, NRSV**

***LOCH RAVEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

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**Gathering Thought:** God did some of his greatest work at a trash heap just outside of Jerusalem.

**ENTRANCE**

**GATHERING**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting of the Altar Candles

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Whoever asks God for life will receive it.

**People: God bestows splendor and majesty on all who call on his name.**

Leader: We are made glad with the joy of God's presence.

**People: Let us praise God together!**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE**

*"Lord of the Dance"*

UMH 261

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

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** (Seated in unison)

**O God, you fill our days with your steadfast love. You provide us with wonderful blessings day by day. Your steadfast love upholds us night after night. Your glory is great; your help is unfailing; your hope is forever. We bow before your splendor and majesty, and praise your name. Amen.**

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**

Carole Webner

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST LESSON**

John 11:38-44

Pew Bible p. 874

**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**

*"Pie Jesus"*

Weber

*Duet, Patti Ferguson and Judy Zahren*

**\*DOXOLOGY**

UMH 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings 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**

**Abounding in hope, we come before you, O God; you are deliverance and life divine. You build a storehouse of great blessings and set us within it to sample your love. Whatever our needs, you meet them completely; you surround us with your compassion and care. Receive the offerings that we lay before you. We dedicate all our possessions to your continuing glory. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION**

*"Just a Little Talk with Jesus"*

W&S 3107

**SECOND LESSON**

Ezekiel 37:1-14

Pew Bible p. 704 - 705

**SERMON**

*"God's Recycling Program"*

Rev. Cliff Webner

**SENDING FORTH**

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

*"Victory in Jesus"*

UMH 370

**\*CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE**

*"A Day for Rejoicing"*

Smith

**\*GOING FORTH**

\*Please Rise in Posture or Spirit



**LRUMC  
NOTICES - 7/24/16**

**PASTOR CLIFF WILL BE ON VACATION from 7/25 through 8/7. Please contact the church office if you need pastoral help.**

**A WORD ABOUT OUR “MEMBER TO REMEMBER” TODAY:** Ruth Weygand has been a member of LRUMC since 1972. Before becoming a member, Ruth was LRUMC’s secretary for several years. She will be celebrating her 95<sup>th</sup> birthday this Saturday, July 30. Please take a moment to remember Ruth and her service to LRUMC by sending her a birthday card this week.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL, “CAVE QUEST: FOLLOWING JESUS, THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD” WILL BE HELD AUGUST 1 – 5. Please see the insert for registration information.** If you wish to help out in any capacity, please contact Maria at [Stockton.maria007@gmail.com](mailto:Stockton.maria007@gmail.com) or 410-435-1724.

**Fill a prescription bottle with your loose change to help prevent blindness or restore sight to children through CHRISTIAN BLIND MISSION INTERNATIONAL.** A basket of bottles and a drop-off basket are in the Narthex.

**JULY COLLECTION FOR ACTC: CANNED FRUIT** (Please place your items in the box labeled “Missions Collections” on the Hospitality table.)

*Please join us downstairs following the service for a time of fellowship and refreshments.*

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

Today	12:30 PM	St. Paul’s Ghana Church	Sanctuary
Monday – Friday	6:30 AM – 6:00 PM 7:30 AM – 5:30 PM	The Learning Garden Preschool IMPROVE Summer Camp	Rooms 122, 116 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor
Tuesday	9:30 AM 6:15 PM	<b>Sandwich-making for Essex UMC</b> Aerobics	Kitchen Auditorium
Wednesday			
Thursday	6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium
Friday	10:30 AM	Al-Anon	Room 128
Friday – Sunday		Set-up for VBS	

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

July 31	11:30 AM	<b>Fundraising Team Meeting</b>	<b>Parlor</b>
August 1 - 5	9 AM - Noon	<b>Vacation Bible School</b> <b>Cave Quest: Following Jesus, the Light of the World</b>	<b>LRUMC</b>

**Prayer Requests from July 17**

Family of Wesley Wayne Ford

Bob and Nancy Lacy

Keith Henninger (*Marcia Smith's friend*)

Family of Linda Wade (*Marcia and Gary Smith's friend*)

**Recent Prayer Requests**

Grace Boner (*7/10*)

Vern Davies (*7/10*)

Dellroy Harrison (*6/26*)

Jim Wagner (*7/3*)

Edith Feustle (*Judy Feustle's mother – 6/26*)

Family of Joe Jordan (*Myra Wagner's uncle – 7/10*)

Carroll Mantell (*Peggy Kelly's niece – 7/3*)

Family of Herman Fortson (*Jean Oberia's friend – 7/10*)

Cheryl Troska (*Peggy Kelly's friend – 7/3*)

Family of Barbara Wolf-Gordon (*Jean Oberia's friend – 7/10*)