

## The Order of Worship

**Centering Words:** Centered on God's Spirit, we come to nourish the soil of our lives. Planted in God's grace, we are prepared to grow in God's word as we live in the love of Christ.

### ENTRANCE

#### Gathering

Welcome and Announcements  
Prelude  
Lighting of the Altar Candles

#### \*Call to Worship

*Leader:* God scatters the seeds and calls us to grow.  
*People:* **We come to grow in Christ.**  
God scatters the seeds and calls us to love.  
**We come to love as Christ loves.**  
God scatters the seeds and calls us to hear.  
**We come to listen for the word of God.**

#### \*Hymn of Praise

*Open Our Eyes*

TFWS 2086 (2 x)

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

*The Apostles' Creed, Ecumenical Version*

UMH 882

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

**Creator God, create fertile soil in lives.  
Plant your word in our hearts and your wisdom in our souls.  
Open our minds to receive your insights and your guidance.  
Nurture us this day,  
that we may grow in mercy and grace all the days of our lives. Amen.**

### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

#### Children's Message

Patti Ferguson

#### Prayer for Illumination

##### First Lesson

*Isaiah 55:10-13*

Pew Bible p. 598

## 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

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High*

Jan Hoener, Edy Pratt, Maria Stockton-Porter

- Rick Founds

#### \*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!**

UMH 94

#### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Gardener God, bless these gifts that we return to you now.  
May they become seeds of hope that bear the fruit of your love  
in the ministries and missions we share. Amen.**

#### Second Lesson

*Romans 8:1-11*

Pew Bible p.918

#### \*Hymn of Preparation

*Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

UMH 334

#### Sermon

Rev. George Winkfield

### SENDING FORTH

#### \*Hymn of Commitment

*Where He Leads Me*

UMH 338

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

#### \*Dismissal with Blessing

#### \*Postlude

*I Am a New Creation*

- Steve Kuban

#### \*Going Forth

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*\*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:** Jen Dorsey  
**Acolyte:** Usher  
**Liturgist:** Judy Zahren  
**Ushers:** Brian Miller, Joyce Deitrich,

Children's Activity Sheets are available in the Narthex.

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

**Altar Flowers**

The bowl is given by Dave Jackson  
in loving memory of his wives, Ruth and Ann.

The vases are given by the Wilson family  
with love in celebration of Lucianne's second birthday on July 11<sup>th</sup>.

**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. Evelyn Dorfler.

**Presence:** 106

**July 9, 2017**

**Gifts:** \$5,338

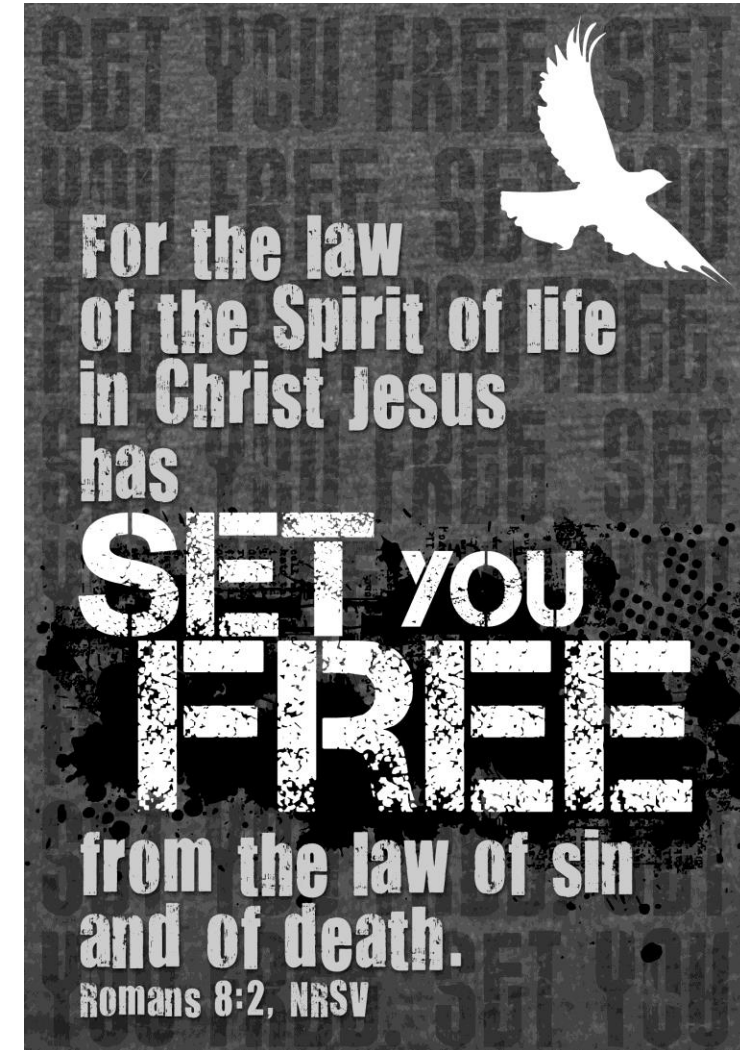
**LRUMC Mission Statement**

"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. George Winkfield, 301-379-4616 cell, PastorWinkfield@Gmail.com  
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**ORGANIST:** Patricia Gould  
**CHILD CARE PROVIDER:** Amy Price

## Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

July 16, 2017



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## Lectionary Readings for the Coming Week

Seventh Sunday after Pentecost

*23 July 2017*

### ***New Prayer Requests***

Buddy Schwartz *(by Patti Ferguson 7/12)*

Tom Williams *(by Patti Ferguson & Debi Wynn 7/9)*

Christopher Blair *(by Judy Feustle 7/9)*

### ***Recent Prayer Requests***

Debbie Morgan *(by Joyce Johnson 7/2)*

Roland Grant *(by Joyce Johnson 7/2)*

Janie & Judy Johnson *(by Maria Stockton-Porter 7/2)*

Myra Wagner *(7/2)*

Edward Smith *(by Judy Zahren 6/28)*

June Jordan *(by Patti Ferguson 6/26)*

The family of Sandy & Susan Altadonna *(by Cheryl Wagner-Koogler 6/25)*

Sandra Harbach *(by Stan & Ruth Kriel 6/25)*

Patrick DiMartino *(by Cheryl Wagner-Koogler 6/25)*

Bill Moulds *(by Adrian Palazzi 6/25)*

Will *(by Mundi 6/25)*

Vesta Williams *(by Owen Williams 6/18)*

Brian Smith *(by Mundi Smith 6/18)*

Paul, Jaime, & Mikaela *(by Jan Hoener 6/18)*

- First reading and Psalm
  - Genesis 25:19-34
  - Psalm 119:105-112
- Alternate First reading and Psalm
  - Isaiah 55:10-13
  - Psalm 65: (1-8), 9-13
- Second reading
  - Romans 8:1-11
- Gospel
  - Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

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

## Church Calendar for the Week of July 16

Sunday	10:00 a.m. after worship 12:30 a.m.	<b>Sunday 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
<i>Mondays</i>		<b><i>Pastor's Sabbath</i></b>	
Tuesday	6:15 p.m.	Aerobics	Auditorium
Thursday	6:15 p.m.	Aerobics	Auditorium
Friday	10:30 a.m.	Al-Anon	Fellowship Hall
Saturday	6:20 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	<b>Manna House Breakfast Club</b> St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal	Parking Lot Room 210

### Upcoming Events

July 25	9:30 a.m.	<b>Sandwich Making for Essex UMC</b>	Kitchen
Jul. 31-Aug. 4	9 to 12:30	<b><i>Passport to Peru</i></b> <b>Vacation Bible School</b>	

## Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities

We thank **Donald Wolcott, our guest pianist** this morning!

**Used Clothing Drive** reminder: Don't forget to bring in any gently used clothing, shoes, accessories, books, and small household items in support of Caitlin's used clothing drive to benefit her trip to the **Girl Scout National Convention** in Ohio in October. All donations can be left in the first classroom across from the office. Donations will be accepted through July 30th! If you have any questions about the clothing drive, please call Jen at (410) 419-6886! Thanks so much for your support!

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

Our Passport to Peru **Vacation Bible School** will be held from July 31st through August 4th from 9 to 12:30. We need volunteers to help with Registration, Bible Story, Music, Arts & Crafts, & Snacks. Donation Requests: empty paper towel rolls or empty gift wrapping rolls, colorful throw rugs or blankets, different color streamers, different color plastic tablecloths.

The **July/August Upper Rooms** are available in the narthex and sanctuary hallway. The requested donation is \$1.00 for regular print, \$2.00 for large print.

**Prayer Cards** are located in the pew racks. They are color-coded, with white for Loss, blue for Illness, rose for Special Needs, and yellow for Celebrations.

We have a **Lost and Found** area in the Narthex, above the coat rack. Items from all over the church have found their way here. Take a look and see whether you have lost anything!

If you would like to be added to an e-mail or mail list, or change how you receive the Spire, please notify the office. We will print a new **directory** soon, so let us know of any updates, such as a mobile phone or e-mail address. E-mail or drop them in the Office mailbox.

Please contact the church office before scheduling events, so we can check the official **church calendar** and put you on it! E-mail [Office@LRUMC.org](mailto:Office@LRUMC.org) or call 410-825-0900.

**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.

**Blood Pressure screening** will resume in September, the second Sunday of each month.