

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: Joycelyn Williams
Acolyte: Usher
Liturgist: Reynold Small
Ushers: Amanda Brown, Beverley Mignott, Rick Neumann

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 Shannon's birthday
by Brian and Cecelia.

MINISTRIES OF LOCH RAVEN CHURCH

PRAYERS: Please pray daily for our brothers and sisters in Christ and those on the Prayer List. The members to remember this week are Mrs. Norma Jones,

PRESENCE: February 26, 2020 (Ash Wednesday): 50 March 1, 2020: 86

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

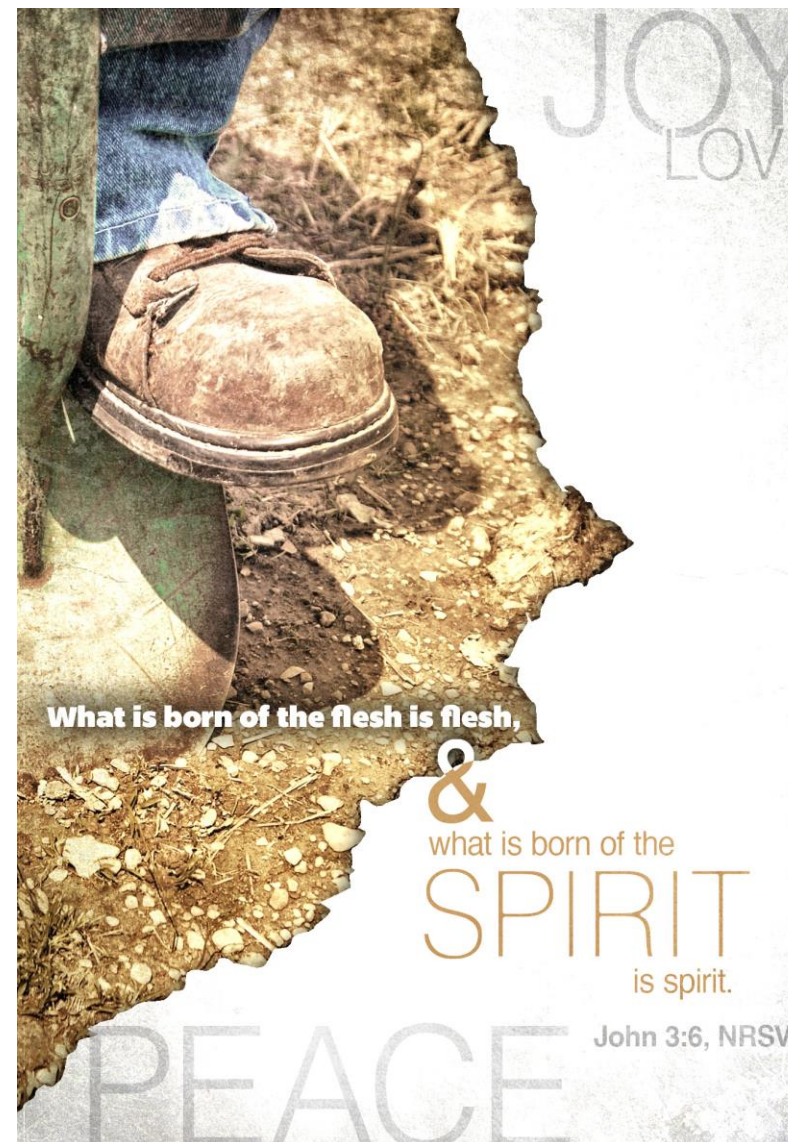
ORGANIST: Patricia Gould

CHILD CARE PROVIDER: Amy Price

Second Sunday in Lent

March 8, 2020

10:00 AM



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The Order of Worship

CENTERING WORDS: Listen, for God is calling. Follow, and you will never be alone.

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *Fairest Lord Jesus* arr. Doran

Lighting of the Altar Candles

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The God of Abram leads us forward.

People: **Lead on, O God . . . guide us home.**

Leader: The God of Abram is here to bless us.

People: **Bless us, O God, that we might be a blessing.**

Leader: The God of Abram leads us forward

All: **Lead on, O God . . . guide us home.**

*GUEST WELCOME

*HOLY WAVE

***HYMN OF PRAISE** *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise* UMH 103

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

INVOCATIONAL PRAYER

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Jan Hoener

ANTHEM *A Medley of Faith* arr. Rogers
LRUMC Memorial Handbell Choir

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON *Genesis 12:1-4a* Pew Bible, p. 8

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 *John 3:1-17* Pew Bible p. 863-864

HYMN OF PREPARATION *Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)*
W&S (green book) 3104

SERMON Rev. George Winkfield

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *When Jesus Wept* arr. Wagner
Chancel and Handbell Choirs

***THE DOXOLOGY** UMH 87 (verse 1)

What gift can we bring, what present, what token?

What words can convey it, the joy of this day?

When grateful we come, remembering, rejoicing,

What song can we offer in honor and praise?

*OFFERING PRAYER

Gracious God, just as you blessed Abram when he ventured out in faith, you have blessed us with so much. Help us see our gifts and offerings, not as fruit of our hard work, but as blessings we have received from your generous hand. In grateful response to our many blessings, we offer you these offerings, that they may bless a world in need. Amen.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** *Living for Jesus* TFWS (black book) 2149

*CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

POSTLUDE *The Solid Rock* arr. Doran

**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 March 1

Patti and Family
Eddie
Joyce and her roommate
June (*Joe's sister*)
Tom (*Myra's brother-in-law*)
Jean
Family of Chuck (*Judy's friend*)
Lorraine (*Sheila's friend*)

Recent Prayer Requests

Marcia (*Bill and Jo's friend – 2/23*)
Thames (*Myra's uncle – 2/23*)
Zabryah (*Gladys' granddaughter – 2/23*)
Jack (*Nancy's friend – 2/23*)
Jeff (*Judy's brother-in-law – 2/16*)
Tommy (*brother-in-law of Peggy's daughter Amy – 2/16*)
Family of Jeannette (*Patti's grandmother – 2/16*)
Shirley (*2/16*)
Dawn (*Cheryl's sister – 2/16*)
Rodney (*req. by Judy – 2/16*)
Laura (*Jane's niece – 2/9*)
Ardith (*2/9*)
Venetia (*Marcia's sister – 11/10*)
Cassandra & Family (*req. by Maria – 9/15*)
Dontae (*Jan's godson – 7/21*)
Adrian (*7/21*)

Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities

TODAY IS THE DEADLINE FOR THE APRIL 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 to inform the congregation of your activities and hard work.** Also, if you are not currently receiving the Spire by mail or email, please notify Myra Wagner at office@lrunc.org.

JOIN THE UMW FOR A COVERD DISH LUNCHEON AND GENERAL MEETING TODAY IN FELLOWSHIP HALL FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE. We will have a presentation from the Board of Child Care. **All are invited.**

PASTOR GEORGE'S BIBLE STUDY on the book of Romans meets Tuesdays at 7 PM and Thursdays at 10:30 AM through May.

THE UMW WILL BE SELLING CANDY EASTER EGGS AGAIN THIS YEAR. See insert for ordering information. **Sign up downstairs if you are able to assist with the candy-making.**

THERE HAVE MANY MEMBERSHIP AND ADDRESS CHANGES OVER THE PAST 6 MONTHS. If you'd like a copy of these updates, please contact the church office.

GLADYS WILLIAMS HAS STARTED A CROCHETING MINISTRY, making blankets for infirmed members of our congregation. If anyone is interested in joining Gladys, please contact her.

MARCH/APRIL 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: Dried Pasta, Pasta Sauce, Clean plastic bags Please place your items in the box labeled "Missions Collections" outside Fellowship Hall.

LECTIONARY READINGS FOR MARCH 15

Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 95; Romans 5:1-11; John 4:5-42

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

Church Calendar for the Week of March 8

Today	Spire Deadline	
9:00 AM	Sunday School	
10:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:30 AM	UMW Covered Dish Lunch & General Meeting	Fellowship Hall
12:30 PM	St. Paul's Ghana Methodist Church	Sanctuary
Monday – Friday		
7:00 – 9:00 AM	IMPROVE Before-School Care	Room 208, Hall
3:00 – 6:45 PM	IMPROVE After-School Care	Rooms 119, 208, 214, Hall
Monday		
9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium
6:30 PM	IMPROVE Dance Class	Auditorium
Tuesday		
6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium
7:00 PM	Pastor's Bible Study	Room 128
Wednesday		
6:30 PM	IMPROVE Spiritual Dance Class	Auditorium
Thursday		
9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium
10:30 AM	Pastor's Bible Study	Room 128
6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium
7:00 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Bell Room
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

Upcoming Events/Meetings

March 15	11:30 AM	Finance Committee Meeting	Parlor
March 16	7:00 PM	Missions Committee Meeting	Parlor
March 17	11:00 AM 7:00 PM	Food Pantry Pastor's Bible Study	Fellowship Hall Room 128
March 18	7:00 PM	Church Council	Parlor
March 19	9:00 AM 10:30 AM	Spire Assembly Pastor's Bible Study	Fellowship Hall Room 128

Save the Dates

Friday, April 3 – Family Movie Night (Frozen II) – 6:30 PM – Fellowship Hall
Refreshments will be served.

Younger children are asked to bring a blanket or pillow for seating purposes

Sunday, April 4 – Palm Sunday

Thursday, April 9 – Maundy Thursday

Dinner – 6:30 PM – Fellowship Hall

Service – 7:00 PM – Fellowship Hall

Friday, April 10 – Good Friday Service – 7:00 PM - Sanctuary

Saturday, April 11 – Easter Egg Hunt – 10:30 AM –Lawn (or Auditorium if rainy)

Volunteers Needed – See signup sheet downstairs

Sunday, April 12 – Easter

Sunrise Service – 6:15 AM – Front Lawn

Traditional Easter Service – 10 AM - Sanctuary