

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:** Merrill Harrison (Downstairs); Ushers (Upstairs)  
**Acolyte:** Usher  
**Liturgist:** Cheryl Wagner  
**Ushers:** Richard Neumann, Stan Kriel, Beverley Mignott

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 bowl is given by Sue Belsill in loving memory of her parents, Jean and Fritz Fraunfelter, and her husband Harry.*

**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. Jim Wagner, 4404 Parkmont Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21206.

**PRESENCE:** October 2, 2016: 101      Offering: \$6376.50

**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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***And let us consider  
how to provoke one  
another to love  
and good deeds,  
not neglecting  
to meet together . . .***

***Hebrews 10:24-25, NRSV***

***LOCH RAVEN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH***

***6622 Loch Raven Boulevard***

***Baltimore, Maryland 21239***

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**Gathering Thought:** “Christians are not brought together because they like each other, but because they share a common life in Jesus and are faced with the task of learning how to love each other as members of the family.”  
-- Reuben Welch, “We Really Do Need Each Other”

**ENTRANCE**

**GATHERING**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude “The Lord’s My Shepherd” arr. Berry

Lighting of the Altar Candles

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

**People: Who has blessed us in Christ to be holy and blameless before him.**

Leader: He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ

**People: To the praise of his glorious grace freely bestowed on us.**

**\*HYMN OF PRAISE** “To God Be the Glory” UMH 98

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** UMH 886

**OPENING PRAYER** (Seated in unison)

**O Lord, come among us that we may pray and not lose heart. Come among us that our hope for your kingdom will be renewed, that our faith in your mercy will be refreshed, that our love of you and your creation will be rekindled. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

**PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE**

**CHILDREN’S MESSAGE** Patti Ferguson

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST LESSON** Psalm 73:1-5, 10-20, 27-28 Pew Bible p. 465

**SPECIAL MUSIC** “Steal Away” arr. Wiltse  
LRUMC Memorial Handbell Choir

**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** “This Is My Father’s World” arr. Lau  
Chancel and Handbell Choirs

**\*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**

**Eternal God, giver of every good and perfect gift, grant that with these token gifts of ours, we may more joyously give ourselves in obedience and service; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**\*HYMN OF PREPARATION** “Jesus Is All the World to Me” UMH 976

**SECOND LESSON** Hebrews 10:24-25 Pew Bible p. 878-879

**SERMON** “The More We Get Together” Rev. Wayne Harting

**SENDING FORTH**

**\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT** “They’ll Know We Are Christians” TFWS 2223

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

**\*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**\*POSTLUDE** “The Path of the Just” Broughton

**\*GOING FORTH** Please Rise in Posture or Spirit

TFWS: The Faith We Sing UMH: U.M. Hymnal W&S: Worship and Song



**LRUMC**  
**NOTICES - 10/9/16**

**TODAY IS THE DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER SPIRE.** Please place all articles in the Spire box in the church office or email your articles directly to Nancy Williams at njk.williams@yahoo.com. **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 if you would like to receive the newsletter by email instead of snail mail, please notify the church office.

**THE UNITED METHODIST WOMEN would like to invite everyone to our covered dish luncheon and program today following the worship service.**

**A REMINDER TO UMW MEMBERS:** If you have not paid your 2016 Pledge, please bring your check to the luncheon-meeting.

**Pastor Cliff** will be teaching a four-week Bible study called “Follow” on Mondays at 7:00 PM in the Parlor beginning tomorrow, October 10. No sign up is necessary.

**JOIN US NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16, FOR AN EVERYONE’S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION,** following the worship service in Fellowship Hall.

If you are **INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER** of LRUMC, we will be having a **MEMBERSHIP CLASS** on **OCTOBER 30 FOLLOWING WORSHIP** in the downstairs Parlor.

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

**GIVING OPPORTUNITIES**

**LRUMC WILL BE HOSTING A “PAJAMARAMA” FRIDAY, OCTOBER 22 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22 AS A FUNDRAISER FOR VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL.** (Please see the insert for more information. Permission slips and pledge forms are in the Narthex.) Volunteers are needed. Also, donations of snacks (cookies, chips, fruit, muffins, popcorn, soda and juice) have been requested. Please see Maria Stockton-Porter if you are able to volunteer your time or donate snacks.

**BOARD OF CHILDCARE THANKSGIVING BASKETS:** We have been asked to donate **cans of green beans and cranberry sauce (15 oz.) and sweet potatoes (29 or 40 oz.)** this year. The collection box will be outside Fellowship Hall from October 2 through October 30. Thank you for your support.

**OCTOBER COLLECTION FOR ACTC: 18 – 20 oz. jars of Jelly; Macaroni and Cheese** (Please place your items in the box labeled “Missions Collections” on the table outside of Fellowship Hall.)

**CHURCH CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

Today		<b>Spire Deadline</b>	
	<b>11:15 AM</b>	<b>Blood Pressure Screening</b>	<b>Education Office</b>
	<b>11:30 AM</b>	<b>UMW General Meeting and Covered Dish Luncheon</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
	12:30 PM	St. Paul's Ghana Methodist Church	Sanctuary

**Prayer Requests from October 2**

*Edith Feustle (Judy F.s mother)*  
*Amy Mersey (Merrill Harrison's sister)*  
*Carl and Phil (Jan Hoener's friends)*  
*Ida Johnson*

Monday – Friday			
	6:30 AM – 6:00 PM	The Learning Garden Preschool	Rooms 122, 116
	6:30 AM – 6:30 PM	IMPROVE Before- & After-School Care	Rooms 208, 214

Monday	9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Pastor's Bible Study "Follow"</b>	<b>Parlor</b>

**Recent Prayer Requests**

Bob Lacy (9/18)

Tuesday	6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium
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Wednesday	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Nominations Meeting</b>	<b>Parlor</b>
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Puber Lee Cox, Jr. (Alfonso Cox's brother – 9/18)

Thursday	9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium
	6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Handbell Rehearsal</b>	<b>Bell Room</b>
	<b>8:00 PM</b>	<b>Choir Rehearsal</b>	<b>Choir Room</b>

Tara Gray (Alfonso Cox's daughter – 9/18)

Sonya Hughes (Beverley Mignott's niece – 9/25)

Family of Virginia Wilson (Dave Jackson's sister-in-law – 9/11)

Friday	10:30 AM	Al-Anon	Room 128
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Saturday	10:00 AM	St. Paul's Choir Rehearsal	Room 210
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Suzanne DiMartino (Cheryl Wagner-Koogler's friend – 9/25)

ITT Students (req. by Joyce Dixon – 9/11)

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Oct. 16	<b>11:15 AM</b>	<b>Everybody's Birthday Reception</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
	<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Finance Meeting</b>	<b>Parlor</b>

Scott Lilly (sister of Marcia Smith's friend – 9/25)

Oct. 17	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Pastor's Bible Study "Follow"</b>	<b>Parlor</b>
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Oct. 20	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Spire Assembly</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
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Oct. 21	<b>9:00 PM</b>	<b>Pajamarama VBS Fundraiser</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Floor/Fellowship Hall</b>
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