

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: Merrill Harrison
Acolyte: Usher
Liturgist: Myra Wagner
Ushers: 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 altar flowers are given in celebration of
Brian and Cecelia Miller's 15th wedding anniversary.

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. Shirley Messman, 8132 Loch Raven Boulevard, Baltimore, MD 21286.

PRESENCE: September 30, 2018: 93

Offering: \$4843.00

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. George Winkfield, 301-379-4616 cell, PastorWinkfield@gmail.com

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY: Myra Wagner office@lrumc.org

DIRECTOR OF MUSIC: Samuel Chin

ORGANIST: Patricia Gould

CHILD CARE PROVIDER: Amy Price

**World Communion Sunday
Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost**

October 7, 2018



*Just as
I have loved you,
you also should
love one another.*

John 13:34, NRSV

Loch Raven United Methodist Church

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The Order of Worship

CENTERING WORDS: May love connect us, faith inspire us, and hope compel us to service in Christ's name.

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements
Hymn Sing *This Is My Father's World* UMH 144
Lighting of the Altar Candles

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Gathered as one, welcoming all.
People: **We worship as a community of love.**
Leader: Beloved Community calls us to love God and each other.
People: **We love each other because Christ first loved us.**
Leader: In this time of worship, may we once more commit ourselves to love one another.
People: **We are connected by love.**
All: **Let us worship the God of love.**

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Risen Christ, rise in our hearts and in our lives. Bring new life into our midst when death threatens our hope. Expand our love within our communities when love is in short supply. Grant mercy in our world when sin and shadows threaten the peace. Resurrect us with your grace, and raise us up as new creations in your love, we are forgiven, accepted, and free. With joyful gratitude, we pray. Amen.

*HYMN OF PRAISE *Tell Me the Stories of Jesus* UMH 277

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Traditional Version* UMH 881

OPENING PRAYER *(seated and in unison)*

Spirit of life, breathe new life within us. Blow through our worship with your enlivening presence, and rise up in us with new hope. Dwell in our community, in our church, and in our hearts this day, that your love may bind us together and sends us forth to serve. Amen.

SPECIAL MUSIC *The Gift of Love* UMH 408
Sam Chin

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON *Micah 6:6-8* Pew Bible, p. 757

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

PRESENTATION OF GOD'S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY *Sisi Gumbo We (We Need You)* Simms
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

O God, we bring these gifts that they may be used by you to do marvelous things for the renewal of your Church, your world, and all humanity. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SECOND LESSON *John 13:31-35* Pew Bible p. 877

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *There's a Spirit of Love in This Place* W&S 3148

SERMON *Beloved Community Sermon Series* Rev. George Winkfield
Connected by Love

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin, and seek to live at peace with one another. Today, we will be serving by intinction.

The Great Thanksgiving W&S 3171

The Lord's Prayer W&S 3070

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup *One Bread, One Body* UMH 620
One Is the Body W&S 3156

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT *A Place at the Table* W&S 3149

*CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

*POSTLUDE *Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him* Blake

*GOING FORTH

**Please rise in posture or spirit*

Bold print: in unison

TFWS: *The Faith We Sing*

UMH: *U.M. Hymnal*

W&S: *Worship and Song*

Prayer List

Prayer Requests from the Week of September 30

Family of Theodora Betkey (*Cecelia Miller's friend and sponsor*)

Joyce Johnson

Family of Mary Scheeler (*req. by Cheryl Wagner*)

Michael Spencer (*Beverley Mignott's brother*)

Jo Thomas

Recent Prayer Requests

Carl (*Jan Hoener's son – 9/23*)

Family of Carole Clarke (*Debi Wynn's friend – 9/23*)

Carolyn Erdman (*Audrey Moltz's cousin – 9/23*)

Ruth Godey (*req. by Audrey Moltz – 9/23*)

John Gribble (*Ken & Linda Cole's friend – 9/23*)

Yolanda Holmes (*req. by Maria Stockton-Porter – 9/23*)

Family of Ruth (*worker at ACTC – 9/23*)

Jane Ferguson (*9/16*)

Pat & Lynn Fleming (*Jennifer Webster's friend – 9/16*)

Joyce Johnson (*9/16*)

Nora Murray (*Gary Smith's co-worker – 9/16*)

Kathy Rawlings (*req. by Peggy Kelly – 9/16*)

Ryan and Ann Russo (*req. by Peggy Kelly – 9/16*)

Edward Smith (*9/16*)

Mike Ransom (*req. by Gary & Marcia Smith – 9/9*)

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

Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities

TODAY IS A UNITED METHODIST SPECIAL SUNDAY. WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY is a way for our congregation to join a denominational-wide effort to fund racial-ethnic World Communion Scholarships, with at least one-half of the annual amount reserved for ministries beyond the United States. See enclosure. Thank you.

JOIN US FOR AWUJOH FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE TODAY. Awujoh is the West African word for “feast.” As we have members from over a dozen countries, what a better way to share our diversity than a lunch on World Communion Sunday.

PLEASE LOOK OVER THE ENCLOSED INSERT LISTING LRUMC'S COMMITTEES AND TEAMS. Please contact the office:

- 1) If you are listed on a committee/team that you no longer serve, or**
- 2) If you are *not* listed on a committee/team on which you *do* serve.**

Thank you to all who are currently serving on a committee or team.

NEXT WEEK – SPIRE DEADLINE The deadline for the November Spire is **Sunday, October 14.** 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, please notify Myra Wagner at office@lrumc.org.

JOIN THE UMW (UNITED METHODIST WOMEN) FOR THEIR GENERAL MEETING AND COVERED DISH LUNCHEON NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14. The program will be “Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child,” the shoebox ministry in which we participate. ALL are welcome!!!

Church Calendar for the Week of October 7

TWO IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES:

- 1) **CHURCH CONFERENCE – Saturday, November 3, 10 AM, at Northwood-Appold UMC (Northern Parkway and Coldspring Lane)** Committee Chairs: Reports are due in the office by Monday, October 15.
- 2) **DISTRICT “WAY FORWARD” SESSION – Tuesday, November 13, 7 PM, at Loch Raven UMC.**

OUR PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE IN!!! If you had your picture taken, or submitted a photo, your directory is available downstairs on the table in the Arcade. If you did not have your picture taken and desire a directory, please call the office. We do have a few for dissemination.

TO GIVE TO UMCOR FOR RECENT HURRICANE RELIEF EFFORTS, you may make a check out to **Loch Raven UMC** and write **UMCOR Advance #901670** on the memo line.

OCTOBER COLLECTION FOR ACTC: Jelly (18-20 oz.) and Macaroni & Cheese
Please place your items in the box labeled “Missions Collections” outside Fellowship Hall.

LECTIONARY READINGS for Sunday, October 14, 2018:
Job 23:1-9, 16-17; Psalm 22:1-15; Hebrews 4:12-16; Mark 10:17-31

Today	9:00 AM 10:00 AM Following Worship 12:30 PM	Sunday School Worship Service Awujoh Feast St. Paul’s Ghana Methodist Church	Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Sanctuary
Monday – Friday	6:30 – 9:00 AM 3:00 – 6:30 PM	IMPROVE Before-School Care IMPROVE After-School Care	Room 208 Room 208, 214
Monday	9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium
Tuesday		Methodist Heritage Trip - England (through Oct. 18)	
	6:15 PM	Aerobics	Auditorium
Thursday	9:15 AM	Aerobics	Auditorium
	6:00 PM 6:15 PM 7:00 PM 8:00 PM	Sign Language Class Aerobics Bell Choir Rehearsal Choir Rehearsal	Parlor Auditorium Bell Room Choir Room
Friday	10:30 AM	Al-Anon	Room 128
Saturday	10:00 AM	St. Paul’s Choir Practice	Room 210

Upcoming Events

Oct. 14	9:00 AM 11:00 AM Following Worship Following Worship	Spire Deadline Sunday School Worship Service Blood Pressure Screening UMW General Meeting and Luncheon (Bring a covered dish to share)	Sanctuary Education Office Fellowship Hall
Oct. 24	7:00 PM	Church Council	Fellowship Hall
Nov. 3	10:00 AM	Church Conference	Northwood-Appold UMC
Nov. 13	7:00 PM	District “One Way” Session	Fellowship Hall