

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:** Ruth Kriel  
**Acolyte:** Usher  
**Liturgist:** Cecelia Miller  
**Ushers:** Myra Wagner, Joycelyn Williams

**Children's Bulletins** are available in the Narthex for children ages 3 - 12.

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flower bowl is given in celebration of  
Londa and Phil Lee's 41<sup>st</sup> anniversary by Briana Lee.

The vases are given in celebration of Joshua Alaeze's birthday by his family.

**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. Minnie Webster, 615 Chestnut Avenue, Room 462, Baltimore, MD 21204.

**PRESENCE: September 16, 2018: 155**

**Offering: \$4312.80**

**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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**ORGANIST:** Patricia Gould

**CHILD CARE PROVIDER:** Amy Price

# Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 23, 2018



## Loch Raven United Methodist Church

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# The Order of Worship

**CENTERING WORDS:** Christ is our Lord, supporter of the righteous and troubler of the self-righteous. Help of the faithful and hope of the faithless, Christ is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

## GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn Sing *Morning Has Broken* UMH 145

*Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed* UMH 359

Lighting of the Altar Candles

## \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Leader:* Pour out your spirit on all flesh,

*People:* So your sons and daughters will prophesy.

*Leader:* Pour out your spirit on all flesh,

*People:* So your elders will dream dreams, and your young will see visions.

*Leader:* Pour out your spirit on all flesh,

*People:* Where we have visions and dreams of Beloved Community; where all are included, and none left out.

*Leader:* The Lord stood by me and gave me strength

*All:* Happy are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

## \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

\*HYMN OF PRAISE *We Are One in Christ Jesus* TFWS 2229

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *From 1 Timothy* UMH 889

## OPENING PRAYER *(seated and in unison)*

Lord, you call us out of captivity into the freedom of your beloved community. As we pass through the wilderness spaces of our lives, grant us ears to hear you, eyes to see you, and hearts to ache for you, that we might not turn away from the brothers and sisters who help us remember who we are. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Patti Ferguson

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON *Joel 2:23-29* Pew Bible, p. 741-742

## 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 *We Worship You, Almighty God* Patterson  
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 Lord our God, how precious is each person you created in your image! We could never give an accounting of the true worth of a human being. Help us to be people who restore relationships. Use us and our offerings to fulfill the mission of your church. We pray in the name of Christ our king. Amen.

SECOND LESSON *2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18* Pew Bible p. 967

\*HYMN OF PREPARATION *In the Garden* UMH 314

SERMON *Beloved Community Sermon Series* Rev. George Winkfield

\*HYMN OF COMMITMENT *I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me* TFWS 2151

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

## \*DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING

\*POSTLUDE *Choral Song* Wesley, arr. Wells

## \*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*

## Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities

**JOIN US FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL, SUNDAYS AT 9:00 AM.**

### **CLASSES FOR CHILDREN:**

- 1) **Ages 3 - 6 – Room 115 – Caitlin Webster, leader**  
– Studying “At Home with God”
- 2) **Ages 7 and up – Room 119 – Merrill Harrison, leader**  
– Studying “Walk Through the Bible”

### **CLASSES FOR ADULTS:**

- 1) **Becomers – Room 202 – Owen Williams, leader**  
– Studying “The Ten Commandments”
- 2) **Going His Way (Meets at 8:45) – Room 128 – Jonathan Wilson, leader**  
– Studying “Ten Men of the Bible”

**PLAN TO JOIN US FOR AWUJOH – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7 FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP SERVICE.** 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.

### **SEPTEMBER COLLECTION FOR ACTC: Powdered Milk**

Please place your items in the box labeled “Missions Collections” outside Fellowship Hall.

### **LECTIONARY READINGS for Sunday, September 30, 2018:**

Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22; Psalm 124; James 5:13-20; Mark 9:38-50

## Church Calendar for the Week of September 23

Today	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Sunday School</b>	
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
	<b>Following Worship</b>	<b>Fellowship Time</b>	<b>Fellowship Hall</b>
	<b>Following Worship</b>	<b>Finance Committee Meeting</b>	<b>Parlor</b>

Monday – Friday

6:30 – 9:00 AM	IMPROVE Before-School Care	Room 119, 208
3:00 – 6:30 PM	IMPROVE After-School Care	Room 119, 208, 214
	<b>LRUMC Roadrunners Bus Trip</b>	<b>Pittsburgh/Cleveland</b>

Monday 9:15 AM Aerobics Auditorium

Tuesday **9:30 AM Sandwich-making for Essex UMC Kitchen**  
 6:15 PM Aerobics Auditorium  
**7:00 PM England Trip Meeting Parlor**

Thursday 9:15 AM Aerobics Auditorium  
 6:15 PM Aerobics Auditorium  
**7:00 PM Bell Choir Rehearsal Bell Room**  
**8:00 PM Choir Rehearsal Choir Room**

Friday 10:30 AM Al-Anon Room 128

Saturday 10:00 AM St. Paul's Choir Practice Room 210

### Upcoming Events

Sept. 30 **11:30 AM Altar Guild Meeting Parlor**  
**11:30 AM Fundraising Team Meeting Room 202**  
 3:00 PM St. Paul's Ghana Church Reception Auditorium

Oct. 1 **7:30 PM Women in Christ Circle Room 202**

Oct. 2 **10:00 AM Phyllis Downes Circle Hall/Parlor**

Oct. 3 **7:00 PM Board of Trustees Meeting Parlor**

## *Prayer List*

### *Prayer Requests from the Week of September 16*

Jane Ferguson  
 Pat & Lynn Fleming (*Jennifer Webster's friend*)  
 Joyce Johnson  
 Nora Murray (*Gary Smith's co-worker*)  
 Kathy Rawlings (*req. by Peggy Kelly*)  
 Ryan and Ann Russo (*req. by Peggy Kelly*)  
 Edward Smith

### *Recent Prayer Requests*

Dottie Fitzpatrick (*req. by Audrey Moltz – 9/9*)  
 Mike Ransom (*req. by Gary & Marcia Smith – 9/9*)  
 Jo Thomas (*9/2*)  
 Mildred Anderson (*mother of Hillary Geyton's co-worker – 8/26*)  
 Alfonso Cox (*8/26*)  
 Dawn Oster (*Cheryl Wagner-Koogler's sister – 8/26*)

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