

# Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

*September 27, 2020*

“Which of the two  
did the will of  
his father?”

Matthew 21:31, NRSV



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*Today's Lectionary: Exodus 17:1-7; Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16; Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32*  
*Secondary Readings: Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32; Psalm 25:1-9*

## The Order of Worship

**CENTERING WORDS:** Listen to parables and dark sayings of old. Ponder the stories of Jesus and God's mighty deeds of power.

**PRELUDE** *Savior, Teach Me Day by Day* Thomas

**GATHERING**  
**Welcome**

### CALL TO WORSHIP

*Leader:* Give ear to God's teaching.

*People:* **We gather to hear the stories of our ancestors.**

*Leader:* Incline your ears to parables and dark sayings of old.

*People:* **We come seeking stories of God's wondrous power.**

*Leader:* Tell the coming generations of God's glorious deeds.

*People:* **We will not hide them from our children.**

*Leader:* Come to the fount of living water.

*All:* **We will drink deeply from the waters of life. Taste the wellspring of our salvation. We gather to worship as people reborn.**

**OPENING HYMN** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* UMH 400

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

**INVOCATIONAL PRAYER**

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE** Jan

**OLD TESTAMENT LESSON** *Exodus 17:1-7* Jonathan

**SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS**

**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**

**OFFERING PRAYER**

**God of overflowing abundance, when your people suffered from thirst, you satisfied their need with water from a rock. Receive our gifts this day, O God, and transform our gifts into blessings that grace the lives of others like ever-flowing streams. Receive our thanks and our praise, our industry and our love, that all might share your manifold blessings. Amen.**

**NEW TESTAMENT LESSON** *Matthew 21:23-32* Phil S.

**HYMN OF PREPARATION** *More Like You* TFWS 2167  
*Judy Zahren*

**SERMON** Rev. Dr. George Winkfield

**CLOSING HYMN** *Trust and Obey* UMH 467

**DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

**POSTLUDE** *Praise Him with Pipes* Logan

## Sharing, Caring, and Studying Opportunities

**LRUMC OFFERS TWO WAYS TO WORSHIP WITH US:**

- 1) **VIA ZOOM: Sundays at 10 AM.**
- 2) **ON YOUTUBE VIA OUR FACEBOOK PAGE: Available after 11 AM Sundays.**

**BEGINNING OCTOBER 4, WE WILL ALSO OFFER IN-PERSON WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY, SUNDAYS AT 10 AM. (Please call or email the church office by Thursday to reserve a space.)**

**WE CURRENTLY HAVE 2 ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES MEETING WEEKLY. If you wish to join either class please call the office for more information.**

- 1) **THE BECOMERS CLASS: Led by Owen and class members; meets Thursdays at 7 PM via ZOOM**
- 2) **THE GOING HIS WAY CLASS: Led By Jonathan; meets Sundays At 9 AM via Teleconference**

**CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ARE NOT MEETING AT THIS TIME. However, Merrill is mailing materials to our students. Contact the Church Office if you wish to be added to her list.**

**PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY ON THE BOOK OF ROMANS CONTINUES THIS WEEK, VIA ZOOM, SEPTEMBER 29 AT 7 PM.**

**UMCOR -- UNITED METHODIST COMMITTEE IN RELIEF -- IS ALREADY RESPONDING TO THE VICTIMS OF RECENT HURRICANES AND THE WEST COAST FIRES.** If you would like to contribute to the relief effort, send a check payable to LRUMC and indicate: **UMCOR Advance # 901670**, or go to <https://advance.umcor.org/p-620-umcor-us-disaster-response-and-recovery.aspx>. 100% of your money goes to disaster relief in the U.S.

**IF YOU WERE ABLE TO SUPPORT MISSION'S LOOSE CHANGE COLLECTION EFFORT, send a CHECK for the amount you collected to the church office, payable to LRUMC and indicate Missions - MFB on the memo line. Funds will be donated to the Maryland Food Bank.**

**AT THIS TIME, WE ARE NOT COLLECTING FOR ACTC.**

**Go to their website ([actconline.info/donate.html](http://actconline.info/donate.html)) for information on how to donate food in person.**

### **LECTIONARY READINGS FOR OCTOBER 4:**

*Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46*

*Secondary Readings: Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:7-15*

## Church Calendar

(All Meetings will take place via Zoom/Teleconference unless stated otherwise)

### WEEK OF SEPTMEBER 27

<b>Today</b>	<b>Going His Way Sunday School</b>	<b>9 AM</b>
	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
<b>Mon-Fri</b>	<b>IMPROVE School-Age Care (at LRUMC)</b>	<b>8 AM – 5:30 PM</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>Reentering Well Task Force</b>	<b>7 PM</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Pastor’s Bible Study</b>	<b>7 PM</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Becomers Sunday School Class</b>	<b>7 PM</b>

### UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>Oct. 4</b>	<b>Going His Way Sunday School</b>	<b>9 AM</b>
	<b>Worship Service</b>	<b>10 AM</b>
	<b>(in-person and on Zoom)</b>	
<b>Oct. 5</b>	<b>Reentering Well Task Force</b>	<b>7 PM</b>
<b>Oct. 6</b>	<b>Food Pantry</b>	<b>11 AM – 1 PM</b>
	<b>Pastor’s Bible Study</b>	<b>7 PM</b>
<b>Oct. 7</b>	<b>Trustees</b>	<b>7 PM</b>
<b>Oct. 1</b>	<b>Becomers Sunday School Class</b>	<b>7 PM</b>

### 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 Jennie Dorsey, who will be celebrating her birthday Oct. 4.

**PRESENCE: September 20, 2020:** 58 (Zoom Service); 17 (Online Service)

**Offering:** \$3,240.22

### 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, 301-379-4616 cell, PastorWinkfield@gmail.com

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**ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY:** Myra Wagner, office@lrumc.org

**ORGANIST:** Patricia Gould

**CHILD CARE PROVIDER:** Amy Price

# Prayer List

## ***Prayer Requests from September 20***

Deb (*Judy Feustle's sister*)  
Family and friends of Eddie  
Evelyn  
First responders fighting west coast fires

## ***Recent Prayer Requests***

Al M. (*9/13*)  
Ben and Harry (*9/13*)  
Victor (*Beverley's father – 9/13*)  
Family of Carol (*Amanda's aunt – 9/13*)  
Cherilyn (*Al & Beverley's daughter – 9/13*)  
Juana (*Harold's friend – 9/13*)  
Sonya (*Beverley's niece – 9/13*)  
Family of Vi (*Judy Z's neighbor – 9/13*)  
Those affected by west coast fires (*9/13*)  
Family of Cassandra (*Maria & Franklin's friend – 9/6*)  
Edward (*9/6*)  
Jennifer (*Sandra's niece – 9/6*)  
John (*Bruce & Kate's friend – 9/6*)  
Kieran (*thanksgiving from Patti – 9/6*)  
Family of Lawana (*Maria's cousin – 9/6*)  
Sandra (*9/6*)  
Education system workers and students (*req. by Rebecca – 9/6*)  
Family of Jane F. (*8/30*)  
Health care workers (*8/30*)  
Dontae (*Jan's godson – 7/26*)  
Those affected by the COVID-19 pandemic (*4/12*)  
Those fighting the disease  
Those who have lost loved ones  
Those who have lost their jobs  
Local, state and national leaders

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