Lord’s Day, November 12, 2023

Veterans Day

*Please complete the Attendance Registration sheet and pass it down the row to your left. Visitor cards and prayer cards are in the Attendance Register. Please place visitor cards and prayer request cards in the offering plate. We welcome your prayer requests.*

Verse to Meditate On Isa. 12:3 ESV

*“With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation.”*

Welcome/Announcements Brea Duty

Prelude

Call to Worship Isa. 12:1-6

Prayer of Invocation

 \*Praise Songs  *Come Thou Almighty King*

 *Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*

The Confession of Faith: *The Heidelberg Catechism*, Lord’s Day 46

Q.120. Why did Christ command us to call God “our Father”?

**A. At the very beginning of our prayer Christ wants to kindle in us what is basic to our prayer – the childlike awe and trust that God through Christ has become our Father. Our fathers do not refuse us the things of this life; God our Father will even less refuse to give us what we ask in faith.**

Q.121. Why the words “in heaven”?

**A. These words teach us not to think of God’s heavenly majesty as something earthly, and to expect everything for body and soul from his almighty power.**

Pastoral Prayer and 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.***

\*Hymn #311 “Hail to the Lord’s Anointed”

Worship through the Giving of Tithes and Offerings/Prayer

\*Offertory Response #731 “Doxology”

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;**

**praise him, all creatures here below;**

**praise him above, ye heav’nly host:**

**praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Scripture Mark 2:18-3:6 p. 996

*Children’s Church is available for children from grades Pre-K-3. Please exit to the narthex.*

Sermon “The Crux of the Matter”

\*Hymn #580 “Lead On, O King Eternal”

\*Benediction

\* Please stand if you are able.

**Church Office Hours - week of November 13th – November 17th**

Monday: Church Office closed

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

**UPCOMING NURSERY ATTENDANTS**

11/12 Diane Insley and Becky Spangler

11/19 Brian Duty and Anel Coss

11/26 Erin Beerli and Marlene Wawrzyniak

12/3 Jean Bender and John Selby

**UPCOMING TECH TEAM**

 11/19 Zach and Sam

11/26 Ethan and Carol

12/3 Alan and Jeff

12/10 Zach and Patrick

Direct website links to church information:

* Prayer / Praise - [www.lochravenpca.org/praise-prayer-form/](http://www.lochravenpca.org/praise-prayer-form/)
* Giving - [www.lochravenpca.org/giving/](http://www.lochravenpca.org/giving/)
* Calendar / Events - [www.lochravenpca.org/our-activities/](http://www.lochravenpca.org/our-activities/)
* Resources - [www.lochravenpca.org/resources/](http://www.lochravenpca.org/resources/)
* Visitor Feedback - [www.lochravenpca.org/visitor-feedback/](http://www.lochravenpca.org/visitor-feedback/)

Guest Wi-Fi network: LRPC@9318-Guest

Guest Wi-Fi Password: ac@lrpcgc

Church Website: [www.lochravenpca.org](http://www.lochravenpca.org)

**AED LOCATIONS**

An AED is an Automated External Defibrillator that is a device used to send a shock to someone’s heart if that person’s heart should stop beating. LRPC has two AED devices: one on the wall in the Narthex and one on the wall in the lower level. Each has a device for an adult and a child. If anyone should collapse without a heartbeat, call 911, open the AED, and follow the written and recorded verbal instructions found inside the case.

**WORSHIP, GROWTH AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**Monday, November 13, 2023**

12:00 p.m. **ROMEO Group**

7:00 p.m. **Session Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 14, 2023**

1:00 p.m. **Prayer Meeting**

5:30 p.m. **TOPS**

5:45 p.m. **The Gathering**

7:00 p.m. **ESOL**

**Wednesday, November 15, 2023**

7:00 p.m. **Hannah Circle**

**Thursday, November 16, 2023**

9:30 a.m. **Women’s Bible Study**

1:30 p.m. **Bible Study (temporarily put on hold)**

7:00 p.m. **Praise Team**

**Sunday, November 19, 2023**

9:30 a.m. **Sunday School Classes**

**Adult Classes**

All Adult Sunday School: *Respect the Image* Sanctuary

(classes below resuming in December)

Men’s Class: *Moses, God’s First Super Hero* Room 201

Berean Class (Women): *John’s Letters* Room 202

12:45 p.m. **Stepping Stones Group**

**\*Please have any announcements or schedule changes in to the church office no later than noon on Wednesdays.**

**Missions Prayer Emphasis**

**MISSION TO THE WORLD (MTW), MISSIONARIES AROUND THE GLOBE**

Pray for all the MTW missionaries who are serving locally, nationally, and internationally. Pray for their good health, good interactions with the people they are serving, and the joy of helping many come to know the Lord.

November is MTW’s 30 Days of Prayer. There are copies of the calendar in the narthex.  Pick one up and use it to pray every day this month.

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CCC**

On December 10, at 6:45 p.m., we will be hosting Tom Homans and some of the young people that participate in the activities at the Christian Community Center. We will sing Christmas carols and hear a report from Tom on what is happening at the Center.  A major activity will be presenting gifts to the visitors.

Annually we gather to provide helpful gifts for the Center to share with the young people.

Tom has provided a list of items that would be appreciated; a copy of that list is inserted In this morning’s bulletin. There will also be copies of the list available on the table in the Missions Corner.

**Church News**​

**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS FOR 2023**

You can now order your Christmas poinsettias! We are ordering 25 poinsettias to start with, but we can add more to our order up until the end of November as needed. Since there is a deadline for ordering, please place your order no later than Tuesday, November 28. After that, we can not guarantee that we will be able to add to our initial order.

All flowers will be $10 apiece and will include a 6” pot cover. We ask that you place your payment in the offering plate (or the mailbox if you typically mail it in) the Sunday after you have placed your order. You can also drop off your payment during office hours if you prefer. Please remember to note on your check that it is specifically for Christmas flowers.

We will once again not be using order forms this Christmas. Therefore, all orders must be placed by either calling or emailing the church office. Please call during church office hours if you are ordering by phone, so that I can verify the spelling of names, etc. All information should be included when you call or email. This includes:

1. Name of person/people ordering
2. Number of poinsettias, and
3. If you are giving flowers in honor of or in memory of a particular person or people.

**ESOL SNACK SIGN-UP**

It's that time of year again when we need you to sign up to donate snacks for our ESOL Program. The items we need are cheese (pre sliced), vegetables & dip or fruit & dip, or baked goods. Please, we only need these items. If you cannot purchase or make something but still want to contribute, please make a monetary donation and mark it for ESOL Snacks (also put $$ on sign-up sheet). The sign-up sheet is on a clipboard on the board marked GIVE in the narthex. If you have any questions, please contact Patty De Rosa at 410-805-2805.

**STEPPING STONES**

Don’t forget that the Stepping Stones group will be meeting again on Sunday, November 19, from 12:45-2;30. All girls in grades 1-9 are welcome to come! Please talk to Carol Morrison if you have any questions.