Lord’s Day, November 20, 2022

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

Verse to Meditate on Rom. 1:21 ESV

*“For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.”*

Welcome/Announcements Gina Sheets

Ministry Minute: Ladies’ Annual Christmas Tea Rachel Stenger

Prelude

Call to Worship Ps. 86:8-13

Prayer of Invocation

\*Praise Songs *Living Hope Your Will Be Done*

\*The Confession of Faith: Responsive Reading of Psalm 118

 Hymnal, p. 828-829

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 #254 “Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed”

Worship through the Giving of Tithes and Offerings/Prayer

\* Offertory Response: “Speak, O Lord”

 **Speak, O Lord, as we come to You**

 **To receive the food of Your Holy Word**

 **Take Your truth, plant it deep in us**

 **Shape and fashion us in Your likeness**

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

Scripture 1 Thes. 1:2-5

Sermon “A Holy Thanksgiving”

\*Hymn #172 “Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”

\*Benediction

**\*** Please stand if you are able.

**Church Office Hours - week of November 21st – November 25th**

Monday: Church Office closed

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Friday: Church Office Closed

**UPCOMING NURSERY ATTENDANTS**

Today, 11/20 Brenda Mangels and Kathy Fagan

11/27 Diane Insley and Becky Spangler

12/4 Sue Milligan and Ellen Metzger

12/11 Mirv Metzger and Carolyn Clark

**Tech Team for 11/27: Zach Mangels and Sue Milligan**

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:

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

**ESOL SNACK SIGN-UP**

Please see the sign-up sheet in the lobby to sign-up to bring snacks for ESOL. There is also a card for you to take to remind you. If you have any questions, please contact Patty De Rosa.

**TUESDAY NIGHT KIDS’ NEEDS**

The **Gathering Kids** and **ESOL Kids** need your help.  Please talk to Brea, Megan, or Rachel about serving on Tuesday evenings.

**REIMBURSEMENT FOR CHURCH EXPENSES**

If you have made authorized purchases for the church and expect reimbursement please complete a Check Request Form (found in the treasurer’s mailbox), get it signed off by an authorized ministry leader, attach the receipt(s) and put it in the treasurer’s mailbox. Also, please make sure that any church purchases you make are on a separate receipt from any personal items you may have bought. Note that the church does not reimburse for sales tax (you can contact a trustee for tax exempt card). Receipts for 2022 need to be turned in ASAP so we have a good account of our yearly expenses. Any questions contact Patty at 410-805-2805 or email her at treasurerlrpc@gmail.com.

**WORSHIP, GROWTH AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**Sunday, November 20, 2022**

1:00 p.m. **Stepping Stones Group**

7:00 p.m. **Thanksgiving Service (followed by Bread Feast)**

**Monday, November 21, 2022**

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

7:00 p.m. **Trustees’/Deacons’ Meetings**

**Tuesday, November 22, 2022**

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

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

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

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

**Thursday, November 24, 2022**

**HAPPY THANKSGIVING!**

**Friday, November 25, 2022**

**\*CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED\***

7:00 p.m. **Knitting Group**

**Sunday, November 27, 2022**

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

**Adult Classes**

Men’s Class: *Hebrews* Room 201

Berean Class (Women): *Heaven*  Room 202

Adult Elective: *On Being Presbyterian* Room 203

12:30 p.m. **Missions Trip 2023 Planning Meeting**

**\*Please have any announcements or schedule changes in to the church office no later than this Tuesday, November 22, at 10:00 a.m. Office hours are reduced this week because of the holiday, so the bulletin will have to be completed earlier,**

**Missions Prayer Emphasis**

**SAMARITAN’S PURSE: OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Pray for the volunteers everywhere who are readying the shoeboxes for delivery.  PTL for the generous giving of LRPC members.  Pray for the children who will receive a shoebox for Christmas and who will also receive a Christian tract and the opportunity to participate in a Bible study.

**CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CCC**

**On Sunday, December 11, 2022**, we will host Tom Homans and a number of the students who attend the Christian Community Center. The Missions Committee will provide a pizza supper for the CCC kids, with the program beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a puppet show performed by Heavenly Hands. We’ll sing some Christmas carols and also hear from Tom about his work at the Center. Cookies and beverages will be served after the program. Tom has promised to send a list of ideas for gifts to help us provide needed and desired things.

**Church News**​

**​UPCOMING ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TEA**

The Women’s ​M​inistry is looking for ladies interested in helping to plan the Christmas Tea. Please let Patty DeRosa or Rachel Stenger know if you would like to be involved. You can also email them at the Women’s Ministry’s new email address, which is womenlrpc@gmail.com.

​The Women's ​Christmas Tea will be on Saturday, December 10, from 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the church.  Come and enjoy an afternoon of song, discussion, friends, and fellowship...and of course tea and cookies!

**NEEDED FOR THE WOMEN’S CHRISTMAS TEA**

The Annual women's Christmas Tea will be held on Saturday, Dec 10 from 2 - 4:30 p.m. Here are some of our needs:

1. teapots, and cookies (which can be store bought or home baked). The teapots should be brought to the church no later than Thursday December 8. If possible, please bring the cookies on a platter (ready to serve) to the church by Saturday, December 10. There are trays in the lobby that can be used; just see Patty De Rosa.
2. young men to serve behind the scenes the day of the tea to help put out the tea and cookies.
3. help setting up the tables and decorations on Thursday Dec 8.
4. help cleaning up when the Tea is over

There will be sign-up sheets in the lobby if you can help with any of the above. If you have any questions, please see Patty De Rosa.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

As we have done the past several years, we will be having a Thanksgiving service this evening, November 20, at 7:00 p.m. Immediately following the service, we will have our Bread Feast, so don’t forget to stay afterwards. If you have any questions about the bread feast, please see Elaine Eaton.

**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS FOR 2022 – JUST 12 DAYS LEFT TO ORDER!**

You can now order your Christmas poinsettias! Our florist is asking that we have all of our orders in by the beginning of December, so the latest you can order will be Friday, December 2. Please make sure that you have your order in by this date, as they may not be able to add to our order after that.

 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 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 the flowers in honor of or in memory of a particular person or people.

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL BUDGET MEETING**

The Session has called a Congregational Budget Meeting for Friday, December 2, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.  The purpose is to present the proposed church operating budget for the 2023 calendar year, as approved by the Session and in cooperation with other church boards and committees. No other business is normally conducted at this meeting.

**CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK**

Because of the Thanksgiving holiday this week, the church office hours will be reduced this week. I will not be here Friday, November 25, and will only be working until 11:30 a.m. Thanksgiving morning. Therefore, I will need all announcements for the bulletin (for November 27), no later than Tuesday morning (November 22), at 10:00 a.m., as everything has to be formatted, printed and stuffed before the end of the week.

Also, the Friday eblast will be sent out Thursday, so if you have anything you need added or edited for the eblast, please have it to me by Thursday (November 24) morning at 11:00 a.m.