Lord’s Day, April 9, 2023

Easter Sunday

*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 John 20:19-20 ESV

*“On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, …Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.”*

Welcome/Announcements Nancy Stagge

Prelude

Call to Worship Mt. 28:1-9

Prayer of Invocation

\*Praise Songs *Man of Sorrows*

 *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*

\*The Confession of Faith: *The Heidelberg Catechism*, Lord’s Day 15

Q.37. What do you understand by the word “suffered”?

**A. That during his whole life on earth, but especially at the end, Christ sustained in body and soul the anger of God against the sin of the whole human race. This he did in order that, by his suffering as the only atoning sacrifice, he might set us free, body and soul, from eternal condemnation, and gain for us God’s grace, righteousness, and eternal life.**

Q.38. Why did he suffer “under Pontius Pilate” as judge?

**A. So that he, though innocent, might be condemned by a civil judge, and so free us from the severe judgment of God that was to fall on us.**

Q.39. Is it significant that he was “crucified” instead of dying some other way?

**A. Yes. This death convinces me that he shouldered the curse which lay on me, since death by crucifixion was accursed by God.**

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 #286 “Worship Christ, the Risen King!”

Worship through the Giving of Tithes and Offerings/Prayer

\*Offertory Response #733 “Doxology”

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

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

**Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,**

**praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;**

**alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

Scripture 1 Cor. 15:12-22 pp. 1142

*We ask that children stay in the sanctuary with their parents, as there is no Children’s Church today.*

Sermon “Understanding the Necessity of Christ's Resurrection”

\*Hymn #277 “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”

\*Benediction

\* Please stand if you are able.

**Church Office Hours - week of April 10th – April 14th**

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. – 2:00 p.m.

**UPCOMING NURSERY ATTENDANTS**

Today. 4/9 Brenda Mangels and Becky Spangler

4/16 Diane Insley and Carolyn Clark

4/23 Brian Duty and Ellen Metzger

4/30 Kathy Fagan

**Upcoming Tech Team**

**4/16 Ronnie and Sam**

**4/23 Ethan and Carol**

**4/30 Gina and Brian**

**5/7 Alan and Jeff**

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)

**WORSHIP, GROWTH AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**Sunday, April 9, 2023**

7:30 a.m. **Easter Sunrise Service (followed by potluck)**

11:00 a.m. **Worship Service**

12:30 p.m. **Easter Egg Hunt**

**Monday, April 10, 2023**

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

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

**Tuesday, April 11, 2023**

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

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

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

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

**Wednesday, April 5, 2023**

7:00 p.m. **Men’s Bible Study**

**Thursday, April 13, 2023**

9:30 a.m. **Women’s Bible Study** *Spiritual Disciplines…*

10:30 a.m. **Rebekah Circle** *Jonah, Joel, Amos*

1:30 p.m. **Men and Women’s Bible Study** *Acts*

7:00 p.m. **Praise Team/Prayer Conference Line**

**Sunday, April 16, 2023**

9:30 a.m.

**Adult Classes**

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

Berean Class (Women): *Ephesians*  Room 202

Adult Elective: *Westminster Confession of Faith*  Room 203

1:00 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**

**CHINA OUTREACH MINISTRIES (COM): REV. DANIEL SU, PRESIDENT**

Here are the prayer requests sent from Daniel Su:

* Please pray for leaders in Washington and Beijing amid US-China tensions that the door may stay open for Chinese students to come to America and be exposed to the Christian message of love and hope in Christ.
* Pray for our staff Carla in College Park, Maryland that God's strength and hope may sustain her in her recent loss of her dear husband Carl.
* Pray for our staff Merlyne in Philly that she may have another staff worker to work with her ministry to the Chinese students at Temple University.

**PRAYING FOR THE MUSLIM WORLD: ENGAGING OUR MUSLIM NEIGHBORS WITH FAITH, HOPE AND LOVE**

We encourage you to continue praying for the Muslim World, especially during Ramadan, the 30 days from March 18 to April 17, when they are focused on fasting and religious observation.

**Church News**​

**VBS 2023: JULY 10th -14th**

**YOUTH FOR CHRIST FUNDRAISER**

**Metro Maryland Youth for Christ** will be holding their annual fundraising banquet on Tuesday, May 2, at 6:45 p.m. at Martin’s West.  The guest speaker will be Terry Crews and the musical guest, Tasha Layton.

We are seeking sponsors, table hosts, and guests.  If you are interested in sponsoring or attending this informative celebration of how God is working to disciple kids 11-19 years old, please reach out to George Considine at George@OldhamMurdockProperties.com  or call 410-663-2450.

**EASTER EGG HUNT**

Children in elementary school and younger are invited to hunt for Easter eggs after the worship service today. The Easter Egg Hunt will take place by the playground. Parents, please stay with your children. We will gather by the lobby sitting area and head out as a group after the worship service. Bags will be provided for children to collect eggs. Thank you to all who filled our 250 eggs with goodies!

**MORE DONORS NEEDED FOR APRIL 21 BLOOD DRIVE**

The Red Cross Blood Drive that will be held in a few weeks needs more donors. If you plan to donate, please sign up by going to the Red Cross website at  [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org/). From there, click on *Make an Appointment* and scroll down to Loch Raven Presbyterian Church. Or, if you prefer, you can also call 1-800-733-2767, or email  LRPCHealthMinistry@gmail.com. Please invite family and friends to donate as well. If you need any help with registering or have any questions, you may call Charlotte Eliopoulos at 410-615-1559.