Lord’s Day, June 18, 2023

Communion Sunday/Father’s 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 Rom. 12:1 ESV

*“I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.”*

Welcome/Announcements Steve Maddox

Prelude

Call to Worship Ps. 92:1-4

Prayer of Invocation

\*Praise Songs:  *Your Words Are Wonderful*

 *His Mercy Is More*

\*The Confession of Faith *The Heidelberg Catechism*, Lord’s Day 25

Q.65. Is it by faith alone that we share in Christ and all his blessings: where then does that faith come from?

**A. The Holy Spirit produces it in our hearts by the preaching of the holy gospel, and confirms it through our use of the holy sacraments.**

Q.66. What are sacraments?

**A. Sacraments are holy signs and seals for us to see. They were instituted by God so that by our use of them he might make us understand more clearly the promise of the gospel, and might put his seal on that promise. And this is God’s gospel promise: to forgive our sins and give us eternal life by grace alone because of Christ’s one sacrifice finished on the cross.**

Q.67. Are both the word and the sacraments then intended to focus our faith on the sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross as the only ground of our salvation?

**A. Right! In the gospel the Holy Spirit teaches us and through the holy sacraments he assures us that our entire salvation rests on Christ’s one sacrifice for us on the cross.**

Q.68. How many sacraments did Christ institute in the New Testament?

**A. Two: baptism and the Lord’s Supper.**

\*The Confession of Sin (see inside of bulletin)

\*Assurance of Pardon 1 Peter 2:22-25

\*Gloria Patri Hymnal #735

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,**

**world without end. Amen, amen.**

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 heavn'ly host;**

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

Scripture Luke 1:50 p. 1017

Sermon “The fear of the Lord drives out the fear of everything else.”

 RE Josh Stenger

\*Hymn #599 “Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper T. E. Beau Miller

\*Hymn #642 “Be Thou My Vision”

\*Benediction

\* Please stand if you are able.

**Church Office Hours - week of June 19th – June 23rd**

Monday: Church Office closed

Tuesday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Friday: (Nancy B. off, Nancy S. working)

**UPCOMING NURSERY ATTENDANTS**

Today, 6/18 Danielle Breneman and Carolyn Clark

6/25 Diane Insley and Becky Spangler

**UPCOMING TECH TEAM**

6/25 Robbie and Carol

7/2 Alan and Jeff

7/9 Melissa and Patrick

7/16 Zach and Sam

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)

**GROW Conference 2023: Our Great God**

Calling all disciples makers! Please plan to attend the GROW Conference this August 4th and 5th. Friday night, August 4th, watch online from home from 7p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Saturday morning, August 5th, come to church to watch, grow, and pray together as a church family. Please save the date, especially if you serve in the nursery, Children's Church, Sunday School, Gathering Kids, ESOL Kids, and/or VBS. There will be breakfast and giveaways! More details to come.

**WORSHIP, GROWTH AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**Monday, June 19, 2023**

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

6:30 p.m. **Deacons’ Meeting**

7:00 p.m. **Trustees’ Meeting**

**Tuesday, June 20, 2023**

**\*NEWSLETTER DEADLINE\***

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

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

5:45 p.m. **The Gathering –** Marika Frank (CPC)

**Wednesday, June 21, 2023**

7:00 p.m. **Hannah Circle** *The Forgotten God*

7:00 p.m. **Men’s Bible Study**

**Thursday, June 22, 2023**

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

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

**Friday, June 23, 2023**

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

**Sunday, June 25, 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: *Union with Christ*  Room 203

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

**Missions Prayer Emphasis**

**OVERSEAS MISSIONARY FELLOWSHIP (OMF, INTL): WANNEE THOMPSON**

Wannee works with Serve Asis, a division of OMF, headquartered in Littleton, CO. She and a team of two or three others work with people who feel called to serve in Asia. They help these new recruits with understanding Asian culture and identifying a location where they might serve. Her Chinese heritage as well as her many years of serving in Manorom, Thailand, with her husband Neil, a physician at the Christian hospital, have given her good experience to use in this assignment. Pray for her and her team as they mentor the new recruits and help them with placements, many of them in China and Japan. Pray for Neil as he continues to interact with medical groups and participates in medical conferences. Pray for Nathan as he completes his schooling to be a mechanic. Pray for a safe trip for Kevin and Iona, his wife, as they have been visiting with Wannee and Neil this past week and are returning to their home in Europe.

**GATHER TO SCATTER: KINGDOM COME**

The MTW East Coast missions conference will be held on July 14 and 15, 2023, at Korean Central Presbyterian Church in Centreville, VA. The plenary speaker will be Dr. Victor Nakah.  To learn more details about times, workshops , and registration fees, you can visit [https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfc7xnzU1mnBS9MXraQGhHRXPCHe9I00Fu9wogkq-QTGwoA/viewform?\_ga=2.29238389.836800369.1683645273-879107683.1683645273](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfc7xnzU1mnBS9MXraQGhHRXPCHe9I00Fu9wogkq-_QTGwoA/viewform?_ga=2.29238389.836800369.1683645273-879107683.1683645273)

**Church News**​

**VBS 2023: JULY 10th -14th (9 AM – 12 NOON)**

Scottish Sleuths Vacation Bible School! Children ages four to those entering sixth grade are invited to experience Loch Raven Presbyterian Church's 2023 Vacation Bible School - The Scottish Sleuths and the Case of the Mystifying Miracles! Super Bible Sleuth Angus McTavish and Professor Dabney Thornwell are returning with an all-new adventure to lead your children on a Bible case and help them to become investigators of God's Word. Sign up today, by registering at <https://vbspro.events/p/events/lrpc2023>

REGISTRATION WILL CLOSE ON JUNE 26, 2023!

**JOIN THE CHURCH NURSERY TEAM!**

The nursery team for the 11:00 Worship Service is looking for four new members. Will you consider joining? Nursery Team members serve five times a year from 10:45 a.m. through the Worship Service.

For our returning nursery team members, THANK YOU! Brea is working on the July -December nursery Schedule and it will be available by June 18th. Please contact Brea directly at breajenny@gmail.com to join the team!

**Confession of Sin**

**Lord, You are our faithful shepherd who walks beside us in green pastures and through the valley of deep shadow. You have promised to pursue us with your goodness and mercy all the days of our lives. Yet we confess that we often doubt your compassion and care for us. When we are harassed and helpless, instead of turning to you and trusting you to care for our needs and lead us in straight paths, we seek help in our idols and comfort in our sins. When others around us are harassed and helpless, we are impatient and lacking in compassion, uncaring about their needs and concerns. Father, forgive us.**

**Jesus, thank you for the compassion that brought you from heaven to live among us as the Good Shepherd. Thank you for entering life’s trials and enduring death’s valley in our place, without fear. Thank you that you always trusted your Father’s care for you, even when he gave you the overflowing, bitter cup of suffering to drink for us. Thank you that you have prepared a bounteous feast for us in your Father’s house and that we will dwell there in heaven with you forever.**

**Holy Spirit, be our comforter in the midst of the trials of life. Help us to trust you to provide when we are helpless to do so. Teach us to find refuge in you when we have nowhere else to turn and when no one else seems to understand our needs. Enable us in turn to show similar compassion and care to others as well, we pray, so that we may learn to love the other members of your flock as you do. In Jesus’ name, amen.**

**(taken from “Compassion”, from *Prone to Wander: Prayers of Confession and Celebration* by Barbara Duguid)**