Lord’s Day, September 10, 2023

*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 James 2:19 ESV

*“You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder!”*

Welcome/Announcements Jeff Oskamp

Prelude

Call to Worship Ps. 29:4-5

Prayer of Invocation

 \*Praise Songs  *Praise His Name*

 *We Will Feast in the House of Zion*

The Confession of Faith: *The Heidelberg Catechism*, Lord’s Day 38

Q.103. What is God’s will for you in the fourth commandment?

**A. First, that the gospel ministry and education for it be maintained, and that, especially on the festive day of rest, I regularly attend the assembly of God’s people to learn what God’s Word teaches, to participate in the sacraments, to pray to God publicly, and to bring Christian offerings for the poor.**

**Second, that every day of my life I rest from my evil ways, let the Lord work in me through his Spirit, and so begin already in this life the eternal Sabbath.**

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 #173 “Praise Him! Praise Him!”

Worship through the Giving of Tithes and Offerings/Prayer

\*Offertory Response #733 “Doxology”

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

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

**Praise him above, ye heavenly host,**

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

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

Scripture Mark 1:21-34 p. 994-5

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

Sermon

 “The Authority and Power of Jesus Christ, the Son of God”

\*Hymn #164 “O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

\*Benediction

\* Please stand if you are able.

**Church Office Hours - week of September 18th – September 22nd**

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**

Today, 9/17 Erin Beerli and Marlene Wawrzyniak

9/24 Jean Bender and John Selby

10/1 Suzanne Maddox and Cindy Walshe

10/8 Edie Milligan and Danielle Breneman

**UPCOMING TECH TEAM**

9/24 Gina and Carol

10/1 Alan and Jeff

10/8 Zachary and Patrick

10/15 Robbie 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/)

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Guest Wi-Fi Password: ac@lrpcgc

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

**WORSHIP, GROWTH AND FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

**Sunday, September 17, 2023**

12:30 p.m. **New Member Class**

12:30 p.m. **ESOL Registration Meeting**

**Monday, September 18, 2023**

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

6:30 p.m. **Deacons’ Meeting**

7:00 p.m. **Trustees’ Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 19, 2023**

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

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

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

**Wednesday, September 20, 2023**

**\*NEWSLETTER DEADLINE\***

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

7:00 p.m. **Men’s Bible Study**

**Thursday, September 21, 2023**

9:30 a.m. **Women’s Bible Study**

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

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

**Friday, September 22, 2003**

**MOVIE NIGHT**

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

**Sunday, September 24, 2023**

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

**Adult Classes**

All Adult Sunday School *Respect the Image* TBA

(classes below resuming in December)

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

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

12:30 P.M. **New Member Class**

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**

**BALTIMORE RESCUE MISSION, MEN’S DIVISION: CHUCK BUETTNER/ KARIS HOME: JANNA BUETTNER**

Continue to pray for a smooth transition in the leadership of the Mission. Chuck reports that the transition for the position of Director is going well. George Jones has been a longtime supporter and helper and is well prepared to take the reins in January. PTL! Chuck will be serving as Chaplain after the end of this year. Another praise is that a new lady has just begun working this week in Karis Home as Assistant Women’s Director. The plan is that she will eventually become Director of Karis Home. Chuck requests prayer for their search for additional help in Karis Home. They have been shorthanded for several years. He asks that God provide exactly the right person(s) for the position(s).

**Church News**​

**SAVE THE DATE**

If you are interested in finding out about becoming a member of LRPC, please plan to come to our Enquirers’ Class starting today! The class will meet on Sundays, September 17, 24, and October 1, at 12:30 p.m. immediately following the service. Lunch will be provided. If you would like to attend, please contact the church office to let us know by either calling 410-661-5777 or emailing the office at lochravenpca@gmail.com .

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS GRANDPARENTS NEEDED! (UPDATE)**

Praise God we have class grandparents for almost all of our Sunday School classes. We still need one more! Carol Morrison and Gina Sheets need a class grandparent for their 3rd - 5th grade class. Class grandparents are prayer partners for the Sunday School teachers and their students. You will get a list of the kids and their birthdays, so you can pray for them and maybe even send a birthday card or bring in a treat for the class on special occasions. If needed, class grandparents make the best substitutes if a teacher is sick or out-of-town and we need another adult in the classroom. (You are not required to teach, just be a helper as able). Thank you for considering! Please talk to Brea if interested.

**WHAT GOOD IS A BOOK… IF YOU CAN’T READ IT?**

Check out the small display in the Missions Corner to read Paul & Christy Dubois’s thank you note and an explanation of how JAARS is working on this problem.

**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 in the lobby on the desk. Any questions, please contact Patty De Rosa at 410-805-2805.

**NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS!**

Beginning today, September 17, the Session will lead a 12-week All Adult Sunday School class on healthy communication among church members. We will be using the resource *Respect the Image* by Timothy Shorey. A few copies of the book have been ordered and are still available for purchase.