

“Hanging of the Greens Service”

Loch Raven United Methodist Church
6622 Loch Raven Boulevard
Baltimore, Maryland 21239
410 825-0900

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
Youth Sunday

November 27, 2011

10:00 AM

ENTRANCE

GATHERING

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting of the Candles

The lighting of the candles is the time when we suspend our conversations with others and begin to focus our attention on the object of our worship, Jesus Christ the Lord.

***CONGREGATIONAL INTROIT**

TFWS 2173

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father’s glory, blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire; flow , river, flow flood the nations with grace and mercy, send forth your word, Lord, and let there be light.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(yellow insert)

*** HYMN OF PRAISE** “Lo How A Rose E’er Blooming”

Hymnal, p.216

Opening Prayer (Seated and in unison)

Merciful God, who sent your messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Isaiah 9:6-7

Pew Bible, p.555

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

Carole Webner

***HYMN OF PREPARATION**

“The Holly and the Ivy”

(see insert)

A SERVICE FOR THE HANGING OF THE GREENS

The Significance of the Advent Wreath

The Lighting of the Advent Candle

The Significance of the Holly and the Ivy

***HYMN**

“O Christmas Tree”

(see insert)

The Poinsettia

The Evergreen Tree

The Significance of the Bells

SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS AND PASTORAL PRAYER

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

PRESENTATION OF GOD’S TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

“Great is Thy Faithfulness”

arr. Mark Hayes

***DOXOLOGY**

Hymnal, p. 94

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise God, the source of all our gifts!
Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Eternal God, today, we are reminded to prepare the way for your Son, Jesus Christ. Help us to focus our minds and hearts with anticipation on this awesome gift of Jesus’ birth. We join in this act of giving as one way to humbly prepare for your coming. For it is in Jesus’ name, we pray. Amen.

SENDING FORTH

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

“There’s A Song in the Air”

Hymnal, p. 249

***DISMISSAL WITH BLESSING**

POSTLUDE

***CARRYING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

***GOING FORTH**

*Please Rise in Posture or Spirit

TFWS-The Faith We Sing Book



LRUMC
NOTICES - 11/27/2011

SERMON SERIES: The next Sermon Series, "Room for Jesus" begins on Sunday, December 4th and will continue through Christmas Eve.

ADULT FELLOWSHIP GROUP of Loch Raven UMC will be gathering for their Annual Christmas Dinner at Friendly Farms on Sunday – December 4th at 1:30 p.m. If you would like to join us, please contact Isabelle Burrell at 410-561-2488 by Sunday – November 27th. We look forward to seeing you.

ADVENT CANDLE LIGHTERS One Advent candle lighter opening still remains for 12/4 @ 8:30. If your family would like to participate in this ministry, please contact Cheryl Wagner @ 410-599-8976 or cwagner@jhu.edu

ATTENTION SHOPPERS AND DINERS ... TAKING ORDERS NEXT SUNDAY ...

The UMW (United Methodist Women) is raising money for mission projects. Come and support them by buying gift cards to many of your favorite restaurants, stores and specialty shops. These cards make great gifts or you can use them like cash. They will take orders on the following Sunday's, December 4th, & December 11 after each Worship Service. You may get an order form from the History cabinet in the Narthex.

IT'S TIME TO MAKE PLANS TO BEAUTIFY our sanctuary for the joyous season of Christmas. If you would like to place a poinsettia in the church in honor or in memory of a loved one, please complete the bulletin insert and **return it to the Church office by Sunday, December 11th. We cannot accept orders unless accompanied by full payment.**

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY: In the event of inclement weather, you may telephone the church office on Sunday morning to determine if church services remain scheduled for the day. The telephone number is (410) 825-0900.

Circle of Concern Prayer List

This Week's Prayer Request

Persons who are unemployed

Most Recent Prayer Requests

Lorraine Arnold req Linda Cole

Joseph Barker

Harbans Batra

Harriet Cole

Ed Custer

Sandra Diaz req Hilary Geyton

Roy Dorfler

Family of William Fringo

Laura Glaudemans req Roy & Ev Dorfler

Debbie Griffin

David K.

Family of Napoleon Knight req Jen Byrd

Dorothy Layton

Hannibal Mickens req Michele Brown

Cecelia Miller

Beth Nardone req Patti Ferguson

Doris Ndlovu

Sammy req Adelaide Wilson

Nancy Scheeler

Zora & Walter Edmonds

Prayer Cards – Worship 11/20/11

Prayers for the Boykins, Johnson, Brammer, and Smith families;
the homeless, church family, pastors and LRUMC members