



**TRANSEFIGURATION**  
*Sunday*



February 22, 2009

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Welcome to  
**Linden-Linthicum United Methodist Church**  
In this "holy ground" we offer hospitality to all who seek food for  
the spirit and a faithful community that seeks to embody and  
express God's grace.

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# Transfiguration Sunday

PRELUDE: *I Need Thee Every Hour* arr. Mary McDonald

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES

WORDS OF GREETING

\*CALL TO WORSHIP:

Leader: Praise to the Lord, all of you, God's servants.  
People: **Blessed be the name of our God now and forever.**  
Leader: There is none like our God in the heavens or on earth,  
People: **Who lifts the poor from the dust, who stops to raise  
the weak and low.**  
Leader: May the Lord be praised.  
People: **Praise to the name of the Lord!**

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

\*HYMN: *Shine, Jesus, Shine* #2173

PRAYER OF INVOCATION:

O Holy God, open unto us light for our darkness, courage for our fear,  
hope for our despair. O loving God, open unto us wisdom for our  
confusion, forgiveness for our sins, love for our hate. O God of peace,  
open unto us, peace for our turmoil, joy for our sorrow, strength for our  
weakness. O generous God, open our hearts to receive all your gifts.  
Amen. *(written by Howard Thurman)*

SCRIPTURE: 2 Kings 2: 1-12

\*GOSPEL: Mark 9: 2-9

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ANTHEM: *Forever* All Things Possible

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

\*HYMN: *Be Thou My Vision* #451

SERMON: "The Mountaintop" Rev. Bryant M. Oskvig

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES & COMMITMENTS:

OFFERTORY: *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* All Things Possible

\*PRESENTATION: #95

\*CLOSING HYMN: *Holy Ground* #2272

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE: *Heavenly Sunlight* arr. Larry Shackley

*\*Please stand as you are able*



The flowers on the altar honor God and celebrate the volunteers who organized and planned the successful Talent Show last week. What Joy to see all our talent!

## Serving in Today's Ministries

	9:00	10:30
<b>Liturgist:</b>	Susan Mather	Jennifer Della'Zanna
<b>Ushers:</b>	Tom & Gigi Curtis	Elaine & Frank Cockrell
<b>Music</b>	All Things Possible	All Things Possible
<b>Hospitality:</b>	Sandy & Jeff Hartz	

## Please Pray For

### We praise God for our Joys!

Talent Show success – raised \$900 for Youth Missions ▪ Betty Beam ▪ Smallwood Baby Baptisms

### Healing, Strength, & Comfort Prayers for our Sick:

Alex Agwuna, Sr, NJ Agwuna's grandfather ▪ \* Amanda Loudin's mother Beverly ▪ Joan Brannan ▪ Estelle Brown ▪ Wizie Eads ▪ \* Bill Feild, husband of Gerry Feild ▪ \* Madison Griffith's friend Kayleigh ▪ \* Jake Herriotts, nephew of Tracy Herriotts ▪ \* Ken, co-worker of Steve Jaczun ▪ \* Matt Kennedy's brother, Mike Kennedy ▪ \* Jerry, friend of Stanley Nimmo ▪ Hank Maeser ▪ Shahzad Majeed's mother ▪ \* Melissa, friend of Sharon Upchurch ▪ Stanley Nimmo ▪ \* Stanley Nimmo's aunt ▪ Susan Roth & her mother ▪ \* Mitzie Scruggs ▪ Gloria Simpson ▪ Dean Smeins, father of Donna Howard ▪ \* Brian Werner, Jenny McCormick's college roommate's father

### Comfort & Care for families of those who are terminally ill or in hospice care:

Helen Franz, stepmother of Gloria Simpson ▪ \* Tracey Herriotts' Godmother Ann ▪ \* Terminally ill at Friends Quaker Community

### Peace & Comfort for those who have lost a Loved One:

Don McBride's cousin ▪ \* Spence Family ▪ \* Maria's family ▪ Stehle Family ▪ \* Stern Family ▪ JP's Family ▪ \* Victims' families of the plane crash in Buffalo, NY.

### We ask God's Spirit of Guidance and Sustenance for:

Carol Brain ▪ Howard Family ▪ Jennifer Marrow ▪ Anthea Nwandu

### Additional Prayers:

- \* Those suffering mental & physical illness.
- Prayers for peace, comfort, and healing for all those in extended care, assisted living, rehabilitation, and nursing homes.
- Peace on earth in the Middle East.
- Pray for all those in financial difficulty – those who have lost jobs, are not working full-time, have lost their homes, or are threatened with foreclosures.
- Pray for guidance for our new government that it will lead us out of the many difficulties we face that we may once more have peace, prosperity, and respect among nations.
- Prayers for those who's families are struggling with separations and divorces.
- Prayers for victims of natural disasters.
- The safe return of the troops returning from Iraq and Afghanistan.

### Middle East – Prayers for the people in all the countries in the region

The prospect for and actions toward peace between Israelis and Palestinians –“God who makes wars to cease to the ends of the earth, we pray your will be done throughout the world that we may have peace.”

\*Denotes new prayer requests (a complete list is found in the WWW)  
To have your prayers included, please fill out a prayer request found in the pew.

## Church Meetings

**CHURCH MEETINGS:** Mon, Feb. 23 Church Council 7:00 pm

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE:** Wednesday, February 25 7:00 – 8:00 pm

**FAMILY & INDIVIDUAL INFO NEEDED** If you have not completed or updated your member information, we need you to do it today. We are updating our new church database. Forms & return basket are on the Info Table in the Foyer.

**New Time CONFIRMATION WITH MENTORS ~ Sunday, March 1 – Noon – 1:30 pm**

### **YOUTH SCHEDULE:**

Sun., Feb. 22	UMYF Dinner & Fun Night	6:00 pm
Sun., Mar. 1	Christian Youth Sports Rally	5:00 – 7:00 pm
Sun., Mar. 8	UMYF Dinner & Meeting	6:00 pm
Sun., Mar. 15	Roller Skating [Supreme Sports Club]	2:00 – 5:00 pm
Fri., Mar. 20	Lock-In for 6 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup> grades	7:30 pm

**YOUTH SPORTS RALLY ~ Sunday, March 1 – LLUMC – 5 – 7:30 pm** It's game day for youth (grades 6 – 12) and parents. Join in the fun that includes potluck supper, music with our Praise Band, and Christian athlete speakers. Wear a favorite team shirt and bring a friend or two.

**FEED THE HUNGRY ~ Carpenter's Kitchen – March 7 – 2 – 7 pm** Peter Jones has arranged for our high school youth to serve dinner to the guests of the Mt. Washington UMC food kitchen. This is an amazing learning and personal experience to give to others who are in need. Youth can sign up at UMYF or by contacting Beth Jaczun at beth@l-lumc.org.

## ACTIVITIES

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP STUDY ~ Sunday, Feb. 22** We are pleased to welcome Dr. May-Ellen and Dr. Gaspar Colon from the Triadelphia Seventh-day Adventist Church as guest teachers for this new 4-week series. LLUMC recently partnered with their church on the Marriage Enrichment Weekend. The Adult Sunday School meets from 9 – 10 am in the Hilltop Building. Please join us for this special learning opportunity. Questions? Contact Sandy or Jeff Hartz at 443-864-6328.

### **ISRAEL/PALESTINE DIALOGUE ~ Tonight – 5 – 7 pm**

Please join us and bring a neighbor or friend to this concluding session.

- **February 22 – Children of GAZA** - Dr. Jerry Lawler, Professor of Psychology at the University of Maryland, will discuss psychological impacts of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict and his work with children in GAZA. Over 50% percent of the residents of GAZA are children.

**PANCAKE SUPPER & BAKE SALE ~ Tuesday, February 24 – 5:00 – 7:30 pm** Come celebrate Shrove Tuesday with pancakes and sausage, creamed chicken and apple sauce provided by the UM Men. Home-baked goods on sale too. Adults - \$7 \* Children 12 & Under - \$3. UM Women are asking for baked goods.

**UMW Book Group ~ Thursday, February 26 – 6 pm** Join us at That's Amore Restaurant across from the Columbia Mall. The books for February are *Bethlehem Besieged* by Mitri Raheb (a Lutheran pastor in Bethlehem) and *Miracles: The Listener* by Terri Blackstock. For March, read *What the Dead Know* by Laura Lippman and *The Book Club* by Mary Alice Monroe. Call Gloria Simpson for more information, 410-772-8685.

**Earth Cinema Circle ~ Tuesday, March 3 – 7 pm** See *People's Grocery* and *Fridays at the Farm*, films that investigate an organic farm community and where our food comes from. Snacks will be provided. Questions? Contact Mary McBride if you have questions at 301- 854-0179. Succeeding dates (all Tuesdays): March 17, April 7 & 21

**METHODISM 101 taught by Rev. Bryant Oskvig** Ever wondered exactly what Methodists believe and why? This is a class for New Members and not so new members alike. During Lent Methodism 101 classes will be held in the Great Room at Noon after the 10:30 am service on March 8, 15, and 22. All are invited. Questions? Contact Charlotte Stoughton at 410-3819267.

**GOT PHOTOS? JOIN US FOR SCRAPBOOKING & ALBUM MAKING** Monday Morning Crop: Feb. 23 ~ 9:30 – 12:30; Fri. Night Crop: Feb. 20 ~ 7 – 11 pm; Tue. Morning Crop: March 3 ~ 9:30 – 12:30 and Crop till UDrop: Fri. & Sat., March 6 & 7. Call Meg for details & RSVP.

**UMW Susanna Wesley Circle starts a new study – Wednesday, March 4 – 7 pm** *Balanced Living* – a study series from Focus on the Family. We will meet at Linda Shaw's home for fellowship and discussion. Children are welcome. Questions? Contact Sara Hipp at 410-489-4381.

# Calendar: Feb. 22 - Mar. 1, 2009

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>Early Morning, Informal Worship</b> <b>Worship Service</b> Children's & Youth Sunday School Adult Sunday School [Hilltop]	8:00 am 9:00 am
<b>Praise Band</b>		<b>Worship Service</b> Children's Sunday School No Youth Sunday School Puppet Rehearsal Venture Scouts Open Korean Baptist Church Girl Scout Troop #1606 AA Girl Scout Troop #1532 Israel/Palestinian Dialogue #6 UMYF Dinner & Meeting	10:30 am  11:45 am 11:45 am 1:30 - 5:00 pm 2:30 - 3:30 pm 3:00 pm 4:00 - 6:00 pm 5:00 - 7:00 pm 6:00 - 8:00 pm
<b>Monday</b>	<b>23</b>	Scrapbooking AM Crop Pastor's Time Prayer Group Church Council	9:30 am - 12:30 pm 4:00 - 6:30 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>24</b>	Bible Study Pancake Supper Venture Scout Roundtable	6:00 am 5:00 - 7:30 pm 7:30 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>25</b>	Women on Wednesday <b>Ash Wednesday Service</b> Open Korean Baptist Church [CRm]	10:00 - 11:30 am 7:00 pm 7:00 - 9:00 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>26</b>	Children's Choir Beginner Bells Bells 4H - Dayton Choir	5:00 pm 5:30 pm 6:15 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>27</b>	Quilters AA	9:00 am - Noon 8:30 pm
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>28</b>	Sandtown Work Day Open Korean Baptist Youth	7:45 am 2:00 - 4:00 pm
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Early Morning, Informal Worship</b> <b>Worship Service</b> Children's Church No Youth Sunday School Adult Sunday School [Hilltop]	8:00 am 9:00 am
<b>Services of Holy Communion</b>		<b>Worship Service</b> Children's Church & Youth Sunday School Puppet Rehearsal Venture Scouts Confirmation with Mentors Open Korean Baptist Church AA Youth Sports Rally	10:30 am  11:45 am 11:45 am Noon - 1:30 pm 1:30 - 5:00 pm 3:00 pm 5:00 - 7:00 pm

## LENT DEVOTIONAL AVAILABLE

### *The Sanctuary for Lent* by John E. Harnish

John Harnish takes us through Lent, the forty days plus Sundays before Easter, with four themes: "It's About Time", "It's About Us", "It's About God", and "It's About the Cross". Let this devotional guide you through the season of preparation and reflection to a sanctuary of peace and inspiration. Devotionals are available in the Foyer, just ask an usher.

## LENT SPECIAL GIVING CATALOG

Christians observe Lent, the forty-day period before Easter beginning on Ash Wednesday. We are called to imitate Jesus, who spent forty days in the desert in prayer and fasting before beginning His public ministry. You have an opportunity to sacrifice through your financial gifts. Alternative Giving Catalogs and designation cards will be in each pew. Your gifts go directly to the designated organizations.

Sponsored by the Outreach Committee at LLUMC.

# Welcome Visitors

**Thank you for coming and worshiping with us today.** To learn more about LLUMC, who we are and what we do, please stop by the Information Table in the Foyer, contact the church office, or visit our web site at [www.l-lumc.org](http://www.l-lumc.org).

We invite you to let us know who you are among us by signing the Welcome Cards in the red booklet found at the end of the pew. You may also join us in the life of LLUMC by participating in our activities or by offering your time and talents by responding to those needs listed in the bulletin.

To find out more about our church and activities, please sign up to receive the Wednesday Weekly Witness and the pastor's Friday e-Pistle. Both arrive in your email each week. You can do that on the Welcome Card. Drop all requests in the offering plate.

We hope to see you again soon.

## CHURCH STAFF & LEADERSHIP

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Worship	Susan Mather	(410) 531-1780

## Pastor Time ~ Mondays – 4 – 6:30 pm

Do you need time with Rev. Oskvig? He's here ready to meet with you, take your call, or grab a cup of coffee on Monday afternoons. Please call ahead to schedule a time.

Office Hours:	Monday	Noon - 3:30 pm
	Tuesday - Thursday	9:30 am - 3:30 pm
	Friday	9:30 am - Noon
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