



**LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

**FEBRUARY 21, 2021
1ST SUNDAY IN LENT
11:00 AM**

WELCOME

The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

PRELUDE

Troubled Water

Margaret Bonds

OPENING PRAYER

The Rev. Jen Dunfee

OPENING HYMN

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

*When morning gilds the skies, my heart awakening cries:
may Jesus Christ be praised! Alike at work and prayer
to Jesus I repair: may Jesus Christ be praised!*

*Does sadness fill my mind? A solace here I find:
may Jesus Christ be praised! Or fades my earthly bliss?
my comfort still is this: may Jesus Christ be praised!*

*Let earth's wide circle round in joyful notes resound:
may Jesus Christ be praised! Let air and sea and sky
from depth to height reply: may Jesus Christ be praised!*

*Be this, while life is mine, my canticle divine:
may Jesus Christ be praised! Be this the eternal song
through all the ages long: may Jesus Christ be praised!*

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

*Matthew 6:25-34
1 Corinthians 2:1-5*

Linda Bender

SERMON

The Center of our Community: The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey
Christ at the Center

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,**

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERTORY

OFFERTORY เพลงสดุดี 42 CCI ministry Chang Mai, Thailand

Text: *กวางกระเสือกกระสนหาอาหารที่มีน้ำไหลฉันใด ข้าแต่พระเจ้า
จิตวิญญาณของข้าพระองค์ก็กระเสือกกระสนหาพระองค์ฉันนั้น*
Translation: *As a deer longs for flowing streams,
So my soul longs for you, O God.*

RESPONSE GLORIA

Glory to God
Gloria, Gloria, In excelsis Deo!
Gloria, Gloria, Alleluia, Alleluia!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER The Rev. Jen Dunfee

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.

CLOSING HYMN ERHALT UNS, HERR

*The glory of these forty days we celebrate with songs of praise;
for Christ, by whom all things were made, himself has fasted and has prayed.*

*Alone and fasting Moses saw the loving God who gave the law;
and to Elijah, fasting, came the steed and chariots of flame.*

*So Daniel trained his mystic sight, delivered from the lion's might;
and John, the Bridegroom's friend, became the herald of Messiah's name.*

*Then grant, that we like them be true, consumed in fast and prayer with you;
our spirits strengthen with your grace, and give us joy to see your face.*

BLESSING The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

POSTLUDE William Grant Still

Participating in the worship service (in order of appearance):

The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

The Rev. Jen Dunfee

John Nothaft, Director of Music Ministries

Laura Snyderman, Soprano

Jeanette Mulherin, Alto

Evan Ayars, Tenor

John Clewett, Bass

Linda Bender, Lay Reader

CCI Ministry Chang Mai, Thailand (Offertory)

Our loving sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Lora Watson who died on February 14. Lora has been a member of Lewinsville for 47 years. She was a deacon, a member of Circle 3, and on the flower committee. Plans for a memorial service will be announced at a later date.

Congratulations to David and Silke Douglass on the birth of their son, Kai Arran Douglass, on February 10. The proud grandparents are **Bruce and Betty Douglass**.

Margaret Bonds (1913–1972), a native of Chicago, studied piano and composition with Florence Price. In 1933, Bonds performed Price’s Piano Concerto with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra during the World’s Fair; with this performance, she holds the distinction of being the first African-American woman to perform as a soloist with a major American orchestra. In 1939, Bonds moved to New York and became an important figure in the artistic scene in Harlem. Her close friendship with Langston Hughes led to many of her celebrated vocal compositions, such as the choral work *The Ballad of the Brown King*, “*The Negro Speaks of Rivers*” (1941), and the songs collected under the title *Three Dream Portraits* (1959).

William Grant Still (1895-1978) was a prolific composer of operas, ballets, symphonies, and other works, and best known for his *Afro-American Symphony* (1931). He was the African American to conduct a major symphony orchestra in the United States, when in 1936, he directed the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. He was the first Afro-American to conduct a major symphony orchestra in the Deep South in 1955. He was the first black man to conduct a White radio orchestra as well have an opera produced by a major company in the United States. The great pioneer, Still is known as the ‘Dean of African American Classical Music.’”

COVID-19 Winter in the City - Through its mobile outreach van, **Unity Health Care** distributes **blankets** on cold nights to homeless men and women living on the streets of Washington. **Used blankets**, in reasonable condition (frayed or missing binding is OK) are greatly needed. Your warm **blanket** could make a life or death difference! **Unity Health Care** serves the most vulnerable residents of the District of Columbia, including the uninsured, working poor, homeless, the incarcerated and formerly incarcerated. One of its service sites is located at Christ House.

Sweaters, jackets, coats, caps and flannel shirts in **good** condition are needed for Christ House patients and the homeless men who use the **Unity Health Care** shower room at Christ House. **New men's underwear and socks** are especially needed. Online ordering is a safe and easy way to shop!

Donations may be dropped off at the church office from 8:30a-12:30p Monday through Thursday and 8:30a-11:30a Friday. For alternate drop-off arrangements, please contact Janet Jacewicz (jjacewicz@gmail.com, 703-231-4973).

Thank you for your support of this special outreach to God's most vulnerable children during this dark winter of Covid-19.

Visit websites: www.unityhealthcare.org/ and www.christhouse.org.

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