



**LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

11:00 AM

WELCOME

The Rev. Layne Brubaker

PRELUDE

Air from Suite No. 1

Florence Price

CALL TO WORSHIP

Blessed are those who serve the poor,

they will be called the children of God.

Blessed are those who share the wealth,

they will be called the children of God.

Blessed are those who work for good,

they will be called the children of God.

Blessed are those who open doors,

they will be called the children of God.

Blessed are those who challenge hate,

they will be called the children of God.

Blessed are those who show Christ's love

they will be called the children of God

OPENING HYMN

Whatever You Do

Carolyn Gillette

"Whatever you do to the least ones of these,

I tell you in truth that you do unto me!"

Lord Jesus, you taught us! May we learn anew

That when we serve others, we also serve you.

When poor, waiting children pray hunger will end,

When those long-forgotten cry out for a friend,

When thirsty ones whisper, "O Lord, where are you?"

We hear, in their longing, that you're calling, too.

In prisons and jails, Lord, we find a surprise;

We see you in people whom others despise.

At hospital bedsides we offer a prayer

And find, when we visit the sick, you are there.

*When we reach to others in flood-stricken lands
And offer our hearts there, and offer our hands,
We notice, Lord Jesus, the gift of your grace:
We see, in the crowds of the suffering, your face.*

*"Lord, when did we see you?" Your teaching is clear
That when we serve others, we're serving you here.
And when your church heeds you and helps those in pain,
Then out of the chaos, hope rises again.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

CONFESSION

Merciful God, we confess that we have wandered from your way of truth and life. You call us to share all that we have and work together for the common good, but we hoard up treasures for ourselves and deny others their daily bread. You call us to set the captives free and seek justice for the oppressed, but we live in fear of our neighbors and hide ourselves from our own kind. You call us to walk in newness of life and to be witnesses to the resurrection, but we dwell in the valley of dry bones and keep silent about your saving love. Forgive us, God of grace. Set us free from sin, death and fear so that we may serve you with gladness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

RESPONSE

Jesus, Be With Us

(a hymn for Matthew 25 churches of the PCUSA)

***[Refrain] Jesus, be with us; help us each day
To follow the gospel and live as we pray.
Send us your Spirit, and show us the way
Jesus, be with us today***

*Where there is hatred because of our skin, break down the walls of our fear
Jesus be with us to save us from sin. In your great love, draw us near.*

[Refrain]

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Micah 6:1-8

Rachel Russell

Matthew 25:31-40

SERMON

Am I A Sheep?

The Rev. Layne Brubaker

SERMON HYMN

Like a Mother Who Has Borne us

AUSTIN

*Like a mother who has borne us, held us close in her delight,
fed us freely from her body, God has called us into life.*

*Like a father who has taught us, grasped our hand and been our guide,
lifted us and healed our sorrows, God has walked with us in life.*

*Though as children we have wandered, placed our trust in power and might,
left behind our brothers, sisters, God still calls us into life.*

*When we offer food and comfort, grasp our neighbor's hand in love,
tread the path of peace and justice, God still walks with us in life.*

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

excerpts from The Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives. We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image to live as one community. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

MINUTE FOR MISSION - THE SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Jackie Hager

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY

The 23rd Psalm

Bobby McFerrin

*The Lord is my Shepherd, I have all I need
She makes me lie down in green meadows
Beside the still waters, She will lead
She restores my soul, She rights my wrongs
She leads me in a path of good things
And fills my heart with songs.
Even though I walk, through a dark and dreary land
There is nothing that can shake me
She has said She won't forsake me
I'm in her hand*

*She sets a table before me, in the presence of my foes
She anoints my head with oil
And my cup overflows
Surely, surely goodness and kindness will follow me
All the days of my life
And I will live in her house
Forever, forever and ever
Glory be to our Mother, and Daughter
And to the Holy of Holies
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be
World, without end
Amen.*

RESPONSE *Goodness Is Stronger than Evil* GOODNESS IS STRONGER

*Goodness is stronger than evil; love is stronger than hate;
light is stronger than darkness; life is stronger than death.
Victory is ours; victory is ours Oh, victory is ours;
victory is through God who loves us, us. ours through God who loves us, us.*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (sung) *Lift Every Voice, 263*
*Our Father, in Heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.*

FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

CLOSING HYMN *What Does the Lord Require of you* MOON
*What does the Lord require of you? What does the Lord require of you?
Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.
To seek justice and love kindness and walk humbly with your God.*

BLESSING

POSTLUDE *What a Friend We Have in Jesus!* William Bolcom

Parts of today's worship are drawn from the PCUSA Matthew 25 Resource Page

Participating in the worship service:
The Rev. Layne Brubaker
John Nothaft, Director of Music Ministries

Katy Morgan – Soprano ~ Jeannette Mulherin, Alto
Evan Ayars, Tenor ~ Zachary Gutierrez, Bass
The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey
Rachel Russell, Lay Reader
Jackie Hager – Minute for Mission

To honor Black History Month Lewinsville’s Music Ministry will be performing works of African American composers throughout the month. As part of Lewinsville’s mission, may we continue to promote and engage with underrepresented and underserved populations.

Florence Price (1887-1953) was the first black female composer to have a symphony performed by a major American orchestra when the Chicago Symphony Orchestra played the world premiere of her Symphony No. 1 in E minor in 1933. She was trained at the New England Conservatory of Music and was a Professor at Shorter College in Arkansas. She married a prominent civil rights attorney and returned to Little Rock, but racial violence — including a lynching in 1927 — caused her family to move to Chicago. Price composed over 300 works for orchestra, piano, organ, voice, and more during her prolific career. Her music brings together the European classical tradition in which she was trained and the haunting melodies of African American spirituals and folk tunes.

Bobby McFerrin (1950-) The 10-time Grammy winner singlehandedly redefined the role of the human voice with his a cappella hit “Don’t Worry, Be Happy,” his collaborations with Yo-Yo Ma, Chick Corea, and as conductor of St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, New York Philharmonic, and Vienna Philharmonic, his improvising choir Voicestra, and his legendary solo vocal performances.

Lena McLin (1928-): Her uncle, Thomas A. Dorsey, is known as the father of gospel music. Rev. Dr. McLin is the recipient of the Chicago Music Awards 2003 Lifetime Achievement award and the Human Symphony’s Foundation living legends award honoree in 2007 and She has been awarded honorary degrees from Virginia Union University and Spelman College.

Today's Offering: Click the "Make a Gift" button to give online at www.lewinsville.org. To give via text message, text 703-270-0451 with the amount you would like to contribute, then follow instructions.

From the 175th Anniversary Notebook - In anticipation of the 100th anniversary of Lewinsville in 1946, Mrs. Archer Haycock gave silk Christian and U.S. flags for display in the sanctuary. The war was over, and a spirit of patriotism was running high. The flags were dedicated Palm Sunday, April 14, 1946. There is no record of any flag on display prior to 1946. Mrs. Haycock’s gift has been replaced at least twice in the years since, and each time, a memorial gift has made

them possible. In 1967 new flags were donated exclusively for *outdoor* use during services in “The Chapel in the Church Yard.” That story will come from another page in the Anniversary Notebook.

175 Years! A Shared Journey of Faith – 1846-2021

Announcements for the Week of **February 13, 2022**

ZOOM COFFEE HOUR - Immediately after the Livestream 11:00 a.m. service, all are invited to a Coffee Hour Zoom for a time of fellowship and connection. During the weeks when we are livestream only, this casual, short Zoom (about 20-25 minutes) will give us a chance to “see” each other and check-in. Pastors will join as quickly as they can get on the computer after the postlude!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83983064126?pwd=UWVyOGNtUIZpWFVIN0hmU0VITUZSdz09> If you need the call-in number, email Pastor Jen jdunfee@lewinsville.org

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING - TODAY the Lewinsville Youth Group will be hosting the Souper Bowl of Caring Fundraiser. This year all the funds collected will be given in the form of grocery gift cards to an Afghan family our church is supporting. [Click here](#) for more information and how to contribute online.

OUR STEPHEN MINISTER TRAINEES - will discuss “Distinctively Christian Caring” this week. They’ll look at how prayer and Bible reading can support their approach to caregiving, recognizing the Stephen Ministry mantra that “The Stephen Minister is the caregiver, and God is the Curegiver.” The Stephen Minister is not a pastoral counselor or solely a friend, but a trained listener whose faith impacts everything he or she does and who relies on the presence of the Holy Spirit.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR SATURDAY FEBRUARY 26 - All young adults are welcome to join us for a hike around Burke Lake. (7315 Ox Rd, Fairfax Station, VA 22039) followed by a picnic lunch. We will meet at Shelter A at 10am. The hike is easy (very little to no incline) but is approximately 5 miles around the lake. Young Adults from Immanuel Presbyterian Church will be joining us for this outing. Reach out to Layne with any questions.

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LENTEN EXPERIENCE - If you are interested in learning more about Pastor Layne’s former Congregation, Hagar’s Community Church – a Church planted on the inside of the largest Women’s prison in Washington State, plan to join us this Lent as we read through *Fury and Grace; Forty Days of Paintings and Poetry From Prison*, a Lenten Devotional written by the Congregants of Hagar’s Community Church. We will meet weekly on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 via zoom to discuss the book and to hear stories and lessons from Pastor Layne that she gleaned from her time with Hagar’s Community Church.

This Lenten guide invites you to walk with members of Hagar's Community Church – a church

behind bars – and to walk with Jesus who knows what it is like to be arrested, rejected, and despised. The book includes daily devotionals for Lent, Holy Week, and Easter – each day features art by a member of HCC alongside a scripture, reflection, prompt, and prayer. When you buy the book, 100% of the profits go directly towards supporting Hagar's Community Church. You can purchase the book at this link:

<https://www.hagarscommunitychurch.com/furyandgrace>. You can also listen to the daily reflection at this link: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/1544839>

AFGHAN REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT - Our Church has been assigned a new Afghan Family to support and they are in need of clothing and household items. Please click on this link to see what is needed and to sign up. Reach out to Layne with any questions:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0545acae29a4f85-lewinsville>