



Lewinsville Presbyterian Church

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June 2022

JUNE WORSHIP

JUNE 5, livestreamed at 11:00 a.m.

DAY OF PENTECOST

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

Romans 8:14-17; Acts 2:1-13

"ALL of them were filled with the Holy Spirit"

Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

8:00 a.m. Lewinsville 1 Mile Fun Run

8:30 a.m. Lewinsville 5K Run

4:00 p.m. Contemplative Service of Choral Evensong

JUNE 12, livestreamed at 11:00 a.m.

TRINITY SUNDAY

Commissioning the Summer Mission Project Team

Psalm 8; Hebrews 2:1-9

"The Mindfulness of God"

Rev. Jen Dunfee

JUNE 19, livestreamed at 11:00 a.m.

2nd Sunday after Pentecost

Galatians 3:23-29; Luke 8:26-39

"Released"

Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

9:30 a.m. Messy Church in Fellowship Hall

JUNE 26, livestreamed at 11:00 a.m.

3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Reflections on the Summer Mission Project trip to Wise County, VA.

Celebrating Appalachia with Bluegrass music

12:00 p.m. All Church Picnic to celebrate the Summer Mission Project Team at the Pavilion



**INAUGURAL LEWINSVILLE 5K & FUN RUN
PENTECOST SUNDAY, JUNE 5 8:00 A.M.**

Please come join the Lewinsville Presbyterian Church and McLean communities on Sunday, June 5 for the *First Ever* Lewinsville 5K and Fun Run starting at 8:00 a.m.

The race will be one of several activities and events celebrating Lewinsville's 175th Year Anniversary and the reopening of the newly renovated education building.

Please note that online registration will close on Friday, June 3 at 8:00 p.m. so please register early. Race proceeds and donations will be used to help support the Ukrainian Refugee Relief Efforts.

We are looking forward to seeing you in June for a morning of fitness, fun, and fellowship as we navigate the streets of downtown McLean.

For more information, to register, and to view the race courses, visit our website:

www.lewinsville.org/events/race

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT MINISTRY

**APARTMENT
SET UP
COLLECTION**

Lewinsville Presbyterian Church is a Matthew 25 congregation of the Presbyterian Church USA, which means we are called to actively engage the world around us and act boldly and compassionately to serve people who are hungry, oppressed, imprisoned, or poor. In light of this call the Lewinsville Refugee Resettlement Team (RRT) has been established to support refugees resettling in the Northern Virginia area following difficult or traumatic events abroad.

We have entered into a new partnership with Lutheran Social Services and while we wait to be matched with a refugee family, we are actively collecting items from the congregation to set up our family's apartment. We need your help in collecting furniture and furnishings for the apartment we are preparing for the refugee family. When we learn the details about the family (e.g., number and ages of children), we will add appropriate items the list.

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FROM THE PASTOR

Dear friends at Lewinsville,

Presbyterians, as a tribe, have not typically been thought of as *being deeply comfortable with the Holy Spirit*. Numerous times, over the years, I have heard different people saying something like (and I have sometimes said similar things), “I kind of understand God the Creator/God the Father and God the Redeemer/God the Son, but what’s up with the Holy Spirit?” Apart from the theological difficulties of thinking that we actually *understand* God the Father and God the Son (who are always going to be beyond our ability to fully comprehend them), there can be something unsettling about the Holy Spirit – especially for those of us who prize doing things “decently and in order.” The Holy Spirit feels out of control, or at least out of *our* control. The Holy Spirit, like the wind, “blows where it chooses,” which is to say, “not necessarily where we want it to.” The Holy Spirit tears apart institutions and systems that are blocking God’s good purposes. If we are highly invested personally in those kinds of institutions, we may be more than a little resistant to the Holy Spirit!

One of the things, however, that is profoundly exciting about this particular moment in the life of the church is that there is a greater openness to, and curiosity about, the work of the Holy Spirit in our culture. It is common to hear a lot of people talk about their interest in “spirituality,” which is exactly the realm of the Holy Spirit. While some of the popular talk about spirituality would benefit from greater theological rigor, it is clearly a sign that there is a hunger in the wider culture to participate in communities that are aligned with the movements of the Spirit. When many churches are experiencing decline in different ways, it seems that the increase in interest in spirituality may present an avenue for church renewal. We do not have to affirm every single aspect of the culture’s interest in spirituality in order to recognize that the Spirit of God is doing something new, inside of that upsurge of cultural interest.

“When the day of Pentecost had come...all of them were filled with the Holy Spirit.” On Sunday, June 5, we will celebrate the Day of Pentecost at Lewinsville. We will celebrate the Confirmation of some of our young people. And we will be reminded that God’s Holy Spirit is being poured out generously on the people of God. The question for us is, “Will we be open to the Spirit coming into our midst?”

Blessings for your journey,
Pastor Scott



The list of needed items is updated frequently, so please check it often: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0545acae29a4f85-rpprogram>.

You are also able to make financial donations at <https://www.lewinsville.org/refugee-resettlement-mission/>

Please donate only items that are either new or in very good condition. If you want to donate a piece of furniture (like a couch) please send a photo of that item to Betty Douglass (ebdouglass22046@gmail.com). If you have a question about donating a non-furniture item (like bed linens), email Pat Matheson (PatriciaMatheson@verizon.net). You should leave your donated items in the Parent Breakout Room, room L07, church building/Lower Level.

Please do not donate items that are not on the list; we do not have storage space for items we cannot use for this apartment. And please indicate on the webpage that you are donating items so everyone is aware of what is still needed. Thank you very much for your help with setting up a lovely home for a refugee family.



PENTECOST OFFERING

JUNE 5

On Pentecost, Sunday June 5, 2022 we will receive the Pentecost Offering during worship. This is one of four special offerings of the PC(USA).

Forty percent of the Pentecost Offering is directed to assist children at risk in our local community and is designated by our church Mission and Service Ministry Group and the Session. The remaining sixty percent is distributed at the national and international levels toward child advocacy (10%), youth ministry (25 %), and Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) opportunities (25 %). The forty percent that will stay in our local area we have designated to go toward the Young Adult Volunteer Program that is supported by National Capital Presbytery. The Young Adult Volunteer Program is a dear program to Pastor Layne who served as the New Orleans YAV Site Coordinator for 7 years. Please give generously as you are able.



Evensong

CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP

CHORAL EVENSONG JUNE 5, 4:00 P.M.

On Sunday, June 5, at 4:00 p.m. we will close out our program year of Contemplative Worship with a service of Evensong, led by our choir.

Evensong is a contemplative service of worship done as the day is drawing to a close, with sung material drawn especially from the Psalms and other biblical materials.

This service will be held in the church sanctuary, and all are invited. We hope that you will join us!

If you have any questions, please speak with John Nothaft or Pastor Scott.



LEARN THE STORIES OF THE PEOPLE OF THE EARLY CHURCH

JOIN US SUNDAY, JUNE 19 AT 9:30 A.M.

IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

Hear the stories of Philip & the Ethiopian; Lydia; Dorcas; Paul & Timothy, Barnabas, Silas & Luke; and Peter, James & John. All those who took the Good News to Judea-Samaria-and the World!

All ages and stages are invited to this alternate form of worship through the creative hands-on activities of Messy Church. We will meet in Fellowship Hall and share a brunch following our celebration.



JUNE 5TH WE WILL BE CONFIRMING

FOUR CONFIRMANDS: Eimi Tuttle, Grant Holzen, Andrew Foster, and Lars Sexton.

The Confirmation class has been meeting weekly since February 13th. We used the PCUSA curriculum Big God Big Questions which is focused on helping the confirmands focus on three basic questions:

1. Why Church?
2. Do you believe Jesus is my Lord and Savior?
3. Do I want to become a Member of Lewinsville Presbyterian Church?

It has been a fun and enlightening journey with these four youth and I am very proud of their dedication and openness to our time together.

ADULT EDUCATION SPECIAL SESSION: JUNE 12

PENTECOST: THE INSIDER'S HOLIDAY

Pentecost is the third of the three major Christian holidays, along with, obviously, Christmas and Easter. It is critical to the history of the very early church, yet has had far less impact on the general culture—no elves, gifts, or cute woodland creatures. It is also the holiday focused on the Holy Spirit, who is sometimes called the neglected member of the Trinity. But Pentecost has moved many great artists, especially painters and poets.

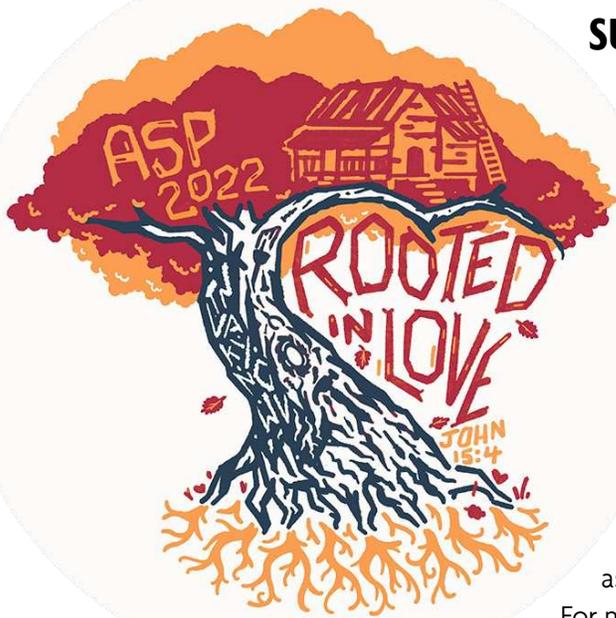
On Sunday, June 12, we will gather to look at this holy day through the works of several poets from different times and cultures, including some in our own congregation.

Join us, and the Holy Spirit, for this class led by Rachel Russell, Crawford Brubaker, and Rob Hunter.

Class location: 9:30 a.m.- Meeting Room 102A (across from the Chapel)

SUMMER MISSION PROJECT (SMP)

JUNE 19-25



On Sunday, June 12, the SMP volunteers from Lewinsville Presbyterian Church will be commissioned at the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The team will depart very early in the morning on Sunday, June 19 for Wise County, Virginia where they will spend the week working with Appalachia Service Project (ASP).

Upon their return, the team will lead the 11:00am worship service on Sunday, June 26. An all-church picnic will follow in the LRR Pavilion so the congregation can visit with the SMP participants. Bring your own food and blanket (some tables/chairs will be available). The SMP team will provide cold beverages and a Kona Ice truck!

Photos will also be posted on the church website – www.lewinsville.org – as they become available during the week.

For more information on the Summer Mission Project, please contact Layne Brubaker lbrubaker@lewinsville.org or Linda Bender at llbender1@gmail.com.

Mission SPOTLIGHT



Falls Church - McLean Children's Center

Providing a high-quality, early childhood education for all children, regardless of their family's resources.



Mission and service are terms we use frequently in the church but we less frequently pause to think about how we truly define these terms or how a shift in thinking about mission could impact how we serve and how we value our service. What if mission and service were focused on building relationships... mutually beneficial relationships. What if we were more intentional about celebrating the joy the comes from service not just the benefit to the mission partner.

We recently had the pleasure of welcoming the Director and Assistant Director of the Falls Church McLean Children's Center to tour our newly renovated building. They were seeking a venue to host their teacher training and we were eager to make our new space available to them and show the many ways our church could be of service in addition to our annual financial contribution.

We joyfully share they have accepted our invitation to host their staff development training this summer and we welcome them into our building with open arms. We also had the opportunity to discuss the possibility of helping to improve their facilities during a future Good Samaritan Day or sending volunteers to help with ongoing needs during the week. They enthusiastically listened as we spoke of Godly Play, Messy Church opportunities and the upcoming 5K race,

and they offered to distribute flyers and invite their staff and families to participate or volunteer. Perhaps this invitation is the beginning of a new friendship.

Perhaps the family which our Refugee Resettlement Team will assist in the next few weeks will have small children in need of care and preschool education. What if we as a church could help foster a relationship between our new refugee family and this long-standing mission partner. The Falls Church McLean Children's Center was established for this specific purpose: Providing a high-quality, early childhood education for all children, regardless of their family's economic resources.

We invite you to consider how we might further develop our relationship with the Children's Center. Start by reading more about their great work at <https://fcmccc.org> and let us know of your ideas. Let's serve together!





SHOP A POPCORN POP-UP!
LIMITED TIME: JUNE 5 - JUNE 8
DOUBLE GOOD – POPCORN WITH A PURPOSE

BYO blankets or lawn chairs and grab a dinner of hot dogs and other movie treats for a perfect sing along night in Fellowship Hall. Even if you “Don’t Talk About Bruno”, you can sing along with Disney’s Encanto, in this sing along version of the Disney musical featuring onscreen lyrics.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15

EVENT STARTS AT 6:30 PM; MOVIE BEGINS AT 7:00 PM

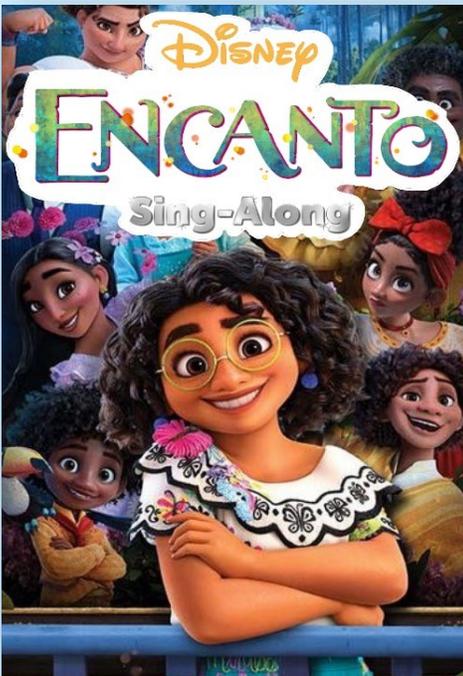
WHERE: LEWINSVILLE CHURCH’S FELLOWSHIP HALL /LOWER LEVEL

DINNER: HOT DOGS AND “MOVIE” TREATS

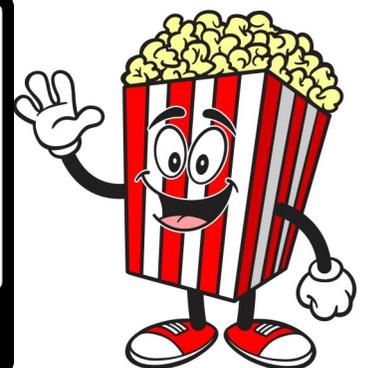
MOVIE: DISNEY’S ENCANTO (SING ALONG)

RATED PG: RUNTIME 1 HOUR 33 MIN

“Encanto” tells the tale of the Madrigals, an extraordinary family who live in a wondrous, charmed place called an Encanto. Each child has been blessed with a magic gift unique to them—each child except Mirabel. But when the family’s home is threatened, Mirabel may be their only hope.



**SONGS BY
LIN-MANUEL
MIRANDA
OF
“HAMILTON”
FAME**



Please consider supporting the programming that serves older adults at The Lewinsville Retirement Residence by purchasing a bag (or several bags) of popcorn to enjoy and spread joy to others.

You can order directly by scanning the QR code, clicking on this link, <https://popup.doublegood.com/s/o4eg12a6> or by sending an email to info@thelewinville.org.

Points of contact: Julia Lleva, Resident Services Manager (jilleva@thelewinville.org)

NEWS FROM OUR LEWINSVILLE FAMILY

MEMBERS IN INDEPENDENT LIVING, NURSING HOMES & CARE CENTERS:

ASHBY PONDS:

Quinn and Celia Morrison, Evelyn Jones,
Richard Rager, Doug McGuire

CHESTERBROOK RESIDENCES:

Dee Custer, Nancy Miller

GOODWIN HOUSE, FALLS CHURCH:

Charles and Mary Hutchison

GREENSPRING, SPRINGFIELD:

Joanne Field, Sarah Larson, Ray Martin

THE HERMITAGE:

Margot Scheffey

THE JEFFERSON, ARLINGTON:

Fran Pearce, Bob and Beverly Johnson

THE KENSINGTON, RESTON:

Steve Hiemstra, Janie Waldrop,
Bert Wolfe

LEWINSVILLE RETIREMENT RESIDENCE:

Jane Gardner, Dong Lee, Lurleen Ogle,
Lucille Quinn, Mina Sulaiman

VINSON HALL, MCLEAN:

Jean and Charlie Mertz

THE VIRGINIAN:

Don Robb

ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to ALL Lewinsville couples celebrating **JUNE** wedding anniversaries. The following couple is celebrating a milestone occasion:

- Carolyn and Brad Fisk—40 years on June 5
- Quinn and Celia Morrison—70 years on June 7
- Scott and Susan Schlegel—30 years on June 13
- Bill and Mary Richardson—71 years on June 15
- Earl and Jan Merritt—70 years on June 16
- Gary and Barbara Pinder—45 years on June 25

DEATHS

Our loving sympathy and prayers are with the family of Patsy Duke on her death on April 15. A memorial service will be held at Sunnyvale Presbyterian Church in California at a later date.

Our loving sympathy and prayers are with the family of Elizabeth McKenna on her death on May 14.

Our loving sympathy and prayers are extended to David Morrison and family on the death of his mother, Patricia Ermold, on May 12.

WEDDINGS

Congratulations to Kristen Guth and Samuel Schneider on their May 14 wedding in Leesburg, VA.

The church office will be updating the Church Directory during the summer months. Please email Sandy in the church office, salbrecht@lewinsville.org or call the church office, 703 356-7200, with any address/telephone number or email address changes.

Parents—If your child is no longer living at home, please let the church office know their contact information so they can be sent information about

Lewinsville activities.

If you are not receiving congregational emails and wish to be on the distribution list, please email Sandy.



Chesterbrook is offering a program for all three congregations on ***Spirituality and Aging***. Jewish Social Services will be leading a panel discussion with our own Scott Ramsey and representatives from the other congregations. It will be held at **7p.m. on Tuesday, June 7 at Temple Rodef Shalom**.

It should be a lively and enlightening discussion covering these issues and more:

- How can spirituality add to feelings of meaning and purpose as you age?
- What is spirituality and how is it distinguished from religion?
- How can you help someone who is not finding meaning and purpose in life as they age?
- How can spirituality assist in addressing death and dying?
- Discussions of advance care planning documents and directives for funeral/afterlife.

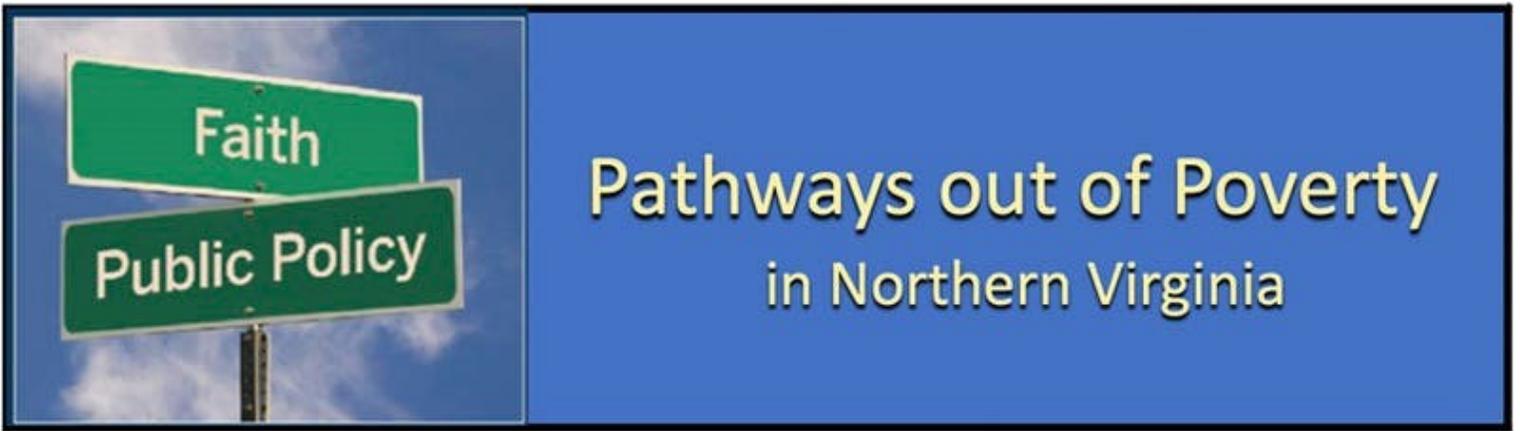
Contact Wendy Maiwurm if any questions, wmaiwurm@gmail.com. Reservations/RSVP not required

Single SENIORS

**FRIDAY, JUNE 10
11:30 A.M.
CHURCH MEETING
ROOM 102B**

The Single Seniors monthly fellowship will meet in person Friday, June 10 at 11:30 a.m. at the church in Meeting Room 102B. Pizza and drinks will be provided. Please bring \$5 to cover the costs.

We will be privileged to hear the life story of our new Lewinsville Director of Communications Ministry, Diana Villarreal. No lunches are planned for July and August. For more information or to RSVP, contact Lois Dokken (manpadokken@aol.com / 703 789-0617) or Wendy Maiwurm (wmaiwurm@gmail.com / 703 759-6705).



PATHWAYS OUT OF POVERTY IN NORTHERN VIRGINIA

PANEL #4: EASING REENTRY FOR THE CONVICTED

SUNDAY, JUNE 12 3:30 – 5:00 P.M.

VIRTUAL PANEL DISCUSSION

Registration: <https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYod-Coqz4sHN2dIHGU08f2fqhLBNohU7OZ>

Lewinsville’s Faith and Public Policy Committee is partnering with Redeemer Lutheran Church of McLean and the Tysons InterFaith coalition to sponsor a series of virtual panel discussions on “Pathways Out of Poverty in Northern Virginia.” The goal of panel discussions is to explore policies, programs, and individual actions that can help low-income and vulnerable NOVA residents improve their livelihoods.

This fourth event of the series examines ways of easing reentry for justice-involved individuals and their families. The event will draw on the experiences and knowledge of panelists from state government and NGOs including the *Virginia State Crime Commission*, the *Virginia Coalition Against Human Trafficking and Opportunities, Alternatives and Resources*.

More information about the Pathways ... events can be found at www.lewinsville.org and www.tysonsinterfaith.org websites.

Pathways panel discussion series topics include:

- **ACCESSING AFFORDABLE HOUSING – October 2021**
- **IMPROVING FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT – January 19, 2022**
- **IMPROVING JOB PREPAREDNESS – March 20, 2022**
- **EASING REENTRY – June 12, 2022**

Note: Videos of previous events can be found at:

- * **(Affordable Housing)** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X-gMvIXqu-l>
- * **(Financial Empowerment)** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LOYKKDG2rbU&t=15s>
- * **(Job Preparedness)** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zjl6xyMYmvQ>



SESSION HIGHLIGHTS-MAY MEETING

.May Session Meeting Highlights:

Finance Committee Chair, Phil Cooke, reported that expenses continue to be in line with budget and income exceeds budget year to date.

With great joy, Session met with confirmands Andrew Foster, Lars Sexton, and Eimi Tuttle and welcomed them into membership. (Grant Holzen was confirmed at a separate meeting).

Committee and Ministry Group liaisons were assigned for the 2022-2023 program year.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Bender, Clerk of Session



THINK BEFORE YOU SPRAY

For many of us, mosquitoes are the bane of summer. Not only are they pesky inflictors of itchy welts, but some species are also vectors of diseases. Many property owners respond by spraying chemicals (DIY or professionally) but insecticides can have unintended negative consequences. The sprays most commonly used contain permethrin or pyrethroids. These chemicals are marketed as “safe” but have been shown to kill bees and other beneficial insects that are an important food source for birds and essential pollinators of agricultural crops. And mosquitoes have a role in the intricate webs of creation. They are a food source for many animals, including bats, birds, reptiles, amphibians and other insects. They are also pollinators. Their primary food is nectar and they transfer pollen as they travel from plant to plant. Only females bite, and only to obtain protein when laying eggs.

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CONTACT INFO FOR STAFF

WE HAVE A NEW PHONE SYSTEM NOW, AND THERE ARE A FEW MINOR CHANGES. THE FOLLOWING ARE NEW EXTENSIONS. IF YOU CALL THE CHURCH AND GET THE VOICE MAIL RECORDING, YOU CAN PUT THE EXTENSION OF THE STAFF MEMBER YOU WANT AT ANY TIME:

REV. SCOTT RAMSEY-EXT. 314	REV. LAYNE BRUBAKER-EXT. 316
REV. JEN DUNFEE-EXT. 334	BOB CLARK-EXT. 335
ALLISON LINEBERGER-EXT. 315	JOHN NOTHAFT-EXT. 317
SHAN MELONE-EXT. 312	EVAN AYARS-EXT. 319
STEVE KIRKLAND-EXT. 318	

REV. JEN DUNFEE

CARE MINISTRY



EXPERIENCING THE LOVE OF

CHRIST THROUGH CARE

MINISTRY AND SMALL GROUPS

After the years of Covid disruption, people of all ages have described a reduced well of emotional reserves and a more limited capacity for handling stress than before the pandemic. Christian community, centered around the love of Jesus made known through relationships of care, can be a support and refuge in the midst of a long and challenging season. And the Lewinsville community is celebrating 175 years of deep and broad relationships of care and connection.

For decades, people in the church have provided this care for each other as Stephen Ministers. Stephen Ministers are trained members of the congregation and ordained deacons who provide one on one spiritual support to people experiencing a wide range of concerns. A pastor or Stephen Leader might suggest a Stephen Minister for you if you are experience any of the following concerns: medical challenges, life transitions and loss, stress of care-giving, issues of parenting, aging, ongoing Covid stress, among others. People often say, “I don’t need this care, because someone is worse off than me and needs it more” however the Stephen Ministers are trained and ready to be companions across a spectrum of life issues.

Another venue for care, through growing faith and friendship together, is small group ministry. ChristCare groups and small groups can make a large church feel smaller as people pray and share about their week. Existing ChristCare groups have room for new members at a variety of times throughout the week. In the fall, we are looking to organize short-term groups around topics I have mentioned in this newsletter: faithful parenting in the digital age, the Holy Spirit and mental health, and the spiritual practice of listening to music; or for age/ stage groups, such as parents of elementary school children or youth, people who a heavy care-giving burden, those who have recently joined or joined in Covid, and others. People often say, “I don’t have time for one more thing,” however the small group ministry might be the thing to expand your spirit as it grows your experience of God and connection to the church.

In the love of Christ, meant to be shared,

Pastor Jen

Lewinsville

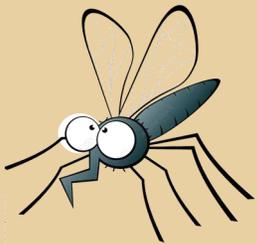
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Here are some alternative strategies for lessening the risks and annoyances of mosquitoes:

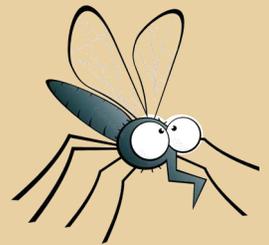
- Eliminate breeding sites. Mosquitoes breed in as little as a tablespoon of water, so be vigilant! Empty/remove temporary water retention areas like clogged gutters and drains, corrugated PVC drainage pipes, uncovered trash cans, plant saucers, upturned lids, wrinkled tarps, wheel barrow, toys, etc. Fix leaky faucets and sprinklers to keep water from pooling.
- Where you can't eliminate water, use products containing Bt (*Bacillus thuringiensis*) such as Mosquito Dunks and Mosquito Bits that kill mosquito larvae without harming

beneficial wildlife.

- Protect yourself by wearing long-sleeved shirt and long pants when outdoors and by using repellents with DEET (25-30% is considered safe and effective) or Picaridin (20%). Lemon oil of eucalyptus is the most effective of the natural repellants on the market.

For a more complete list of what works (and what doesn't work) to protect against mosquitoes:

<https://mgnv.org/resources/mosquito-control/>. Some other helpful resources: <https://www.nwf.org/Magazines/National-Wildlife/2021/April-May/Conservation/Mosquitoes> and <https://blog.nwf.org/2020/09/what-you-need-to-know-before-spraying-for-mosquitoes/>.



SUMMER CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

In July and August, the office will be open 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.,
Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. on Fridays.

Please note the Church office will be closed
Monday, July 4.