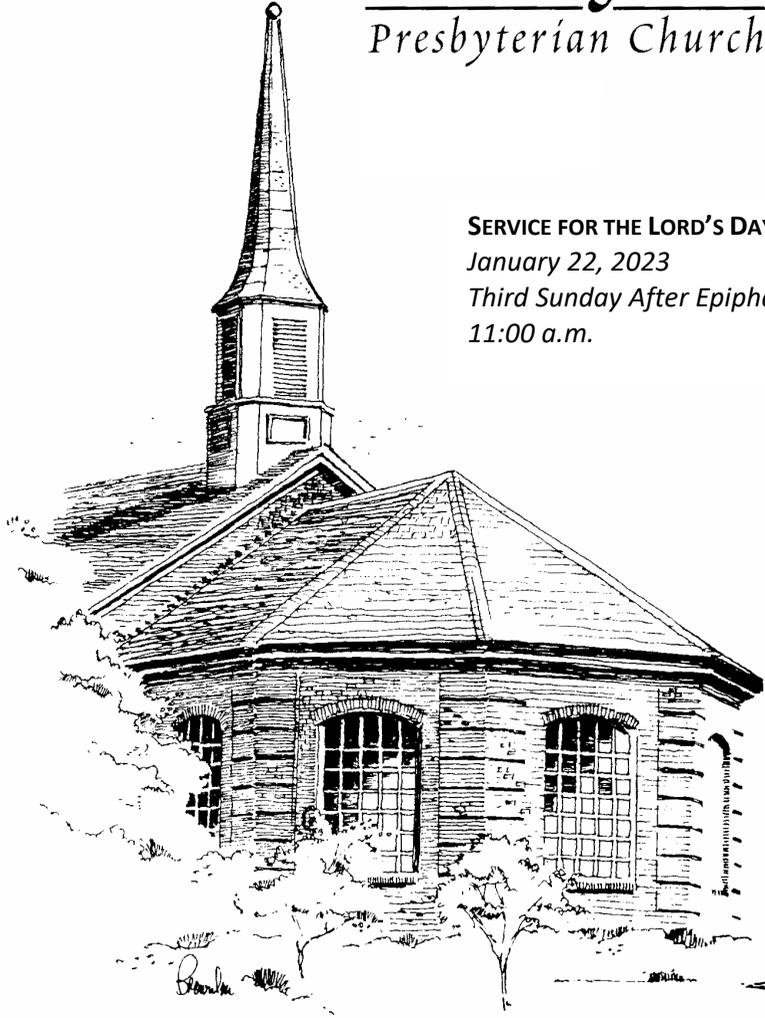


# *Lewinsville*

*Presbyterian Church*



**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**  
*January 22, 2023*  
*Third Sunday After Epiphany*  
*11:00 a.m.*

*"JOURNEY INTO THE HEART OF GOD"*

**Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.**

**Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.**

- Psalm 100:1-2

Welcome to Lewinsville! In the name of Jesus Christ, we are *so glad* to have you join us for worship today.

Wherever you have come from, and wherever you are on your journey of faith, you are welcome here at Lewinsville. At Lewinsville, we believe that *God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help* and we hope that you experience that love and support from God today. If there is something that has made church hard for you, worrying about noise of kids, mobility or hearing issues, feeling like part of your identity might not be welcome, we hope you will find Christian community here at Lewinsville. Individuals and families - of all different configurations – are loved and affirmed in our congregation.

God's loving grace is poured forth upon all people, from the youngest among us to the oldest. It is for that reason that we are glad to welcome *children of all ages* to worship.

- There are pillows available in the narthex to make the pews more comfortable,
- There are worship bags with activities for young children to use during the worship service.
- Nursery care is available downstairs for our very youngest children.
- Hearing Assistance devices are available from the ushers or the audio/video console at the rear of the sanctuary
- Enlarged print Glory to God hymnals are available from the ushers.

We would love to connect you with the ministries of our congregation in ways that would be meaningful to you – faith formation and Christian education classes and groups for children, youth, and adults; small groups and other fellowship activities to meet with others on the spiritual journey; mission projects and service efforts in our community; providing and receiving care in times of loss or need.

We would love to stay in touch with you - please use the QR code below to share your contact information with us. Welcome!



Welcome Information



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THE LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY  
THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
January 22, 2023

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\* *If you are able, please stand*

†† *Latecomers seated*

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**GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

*Clair de Lune*

Claude Debussy

\* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 27:1, 4, 14

*The Lord is my light and my salvation;*

**whom shall I fear?**

*The Lord is the stronghold of my life;*

**of whom shall I be afraid?**

*One thing I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after;*

**to live in the house of the Lord all the days of my life,**

*to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple.*

**Wait for the Lord;**

*be strong, and let your heart take courage;*

**wait for the Lord!**

\* **HYMN**

*The God of Sarah Praise*

Sung to the tune LEONI

**The God of Sarah praise the God of dreams long dead  
who births new life from barren ground disarming dread.**

**Though grief lasts through the night joy rises with the sun**

**God leaves us laughing in surprise at death undone.**

**The God of Abr'ham praise the God of all who roam  
who guides us into foreign lands and makes our home.**

**Though darkness shrouds our path the stars as pledges shine**

**God's covenant will be fulfilled by love's design.**

The God of Hagar praise the God of "second best"  
who sees the lost and overlooked and calls them blessed  
Though wandering alone through deserts of despair  
God leads us to a well of hope and meets us there.

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### CALL TO CONFESSION

*silence for personal confession*

**Almighty God, we confess that we have not been faithful to you  
in our thoughts and actions.**

**We have been selfish in our desires and quarrelsome in our relationships.**

**We have allowed fear to divide us from those who seem different,  
and let distrust separate us from our brothers and sisters.**

**Shine your light into our darkened hearts.**

**Save us from our divisive ways.**

**Unite us in the same mind as Jesus Christ**

**who dwells with you and the Holy Spirit in perfect harmony.**

**Amen**

### \* RESPONSE

Expressive, with a bluesy edge ♩ = 60-66

Congregation

\*Lord, have mer - - - cy. Christ, have  
mer - - - - - cy. Lord, have mer - - -  
cy, have mer - cy on us.

### ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*Friends, hear and believe the good news that comes from God.*

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

\* **RESPONSE** *Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me* GG 582  
**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me, and to the Son,  
whose grace has pardoned me,  
and to the Spirit, whose love has set me free. As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen. World without end, without end. Amen.  
World without end, without end. Amen. As it was in the beginning,  
is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

\* **THE PEACE**

*The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Greet those around you, saying "Peace be with you" or "The Peace of Christ"*

*If you prefer not to shake hands in greeting while passing the Peace of Christ,  
you may choose to make eye contact and greet others in another personal way.*

## **THE WORD**

### **CHILDREN'S MEDITATION**

*Following the Children's Meditation, children age 4 through grade 2 are invited to meet  
Allison Lineberger in the Narthex for Sermon Stories. Children will return to the  
Sanctuary for worship with their parents following the sermon.*

### **PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE** *Genesis 21:8-20* OT p. 17  
*Galatians 4:21-31* NT p. 190

*The Word of the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON** *Children of the Promise* The Rev. Layne Brubaker

\* **HYMN** *I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light* GG 377  
HOUSTON

## THANKSGIVING

### \* 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.

### INVITATION TO OFFERING



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### OFFERTORY

*Hymn to Freedom*

Oscar Peterson

*When every heart joins every heart and together yearns for liberty,  
That's when we'll be free.  
When every hand joins every hand and together moulds our destiny,  
That's when we'll be free.  
Any hour any day, the time soon will come when men will live in dignity,  
That's when we'll be free.  
When every man joins in our song and together singing harmony,  
That's when we'll be free.*

- \* **RESPONSE**                      *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*                      GG 607  
*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise Christ, all people here below;  
praise Holy Spirit evermore; praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.*

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**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 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.*

**SENDING**

**FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

- \* **HYMN**                                      *Freedom Is Coming*                                      GG 359  
FREEDOM IS COMING

\* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

- \* **DISMISSAL**  
*Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**                      *Mvt I. Hills in the Springtime from Taiwanese Suite*                      Chelsea Chen

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 22, 2023

### ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY

Chancel Choir

LAY READER

Mary Frase

DUTY ELDER

Kelly Sexton

DUTY DEACON

Virginia McCormick

AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY

John Baxley, Carlos Claros and Haziel Andrade

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given in loving memory of Nancy Graham by Kevin and Deborah Graham Stevens and **Liz and Alan Stevens**.

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### **DON'T FORGET! SUBMIT YOUR FAMILY AND INDIVIDUAL PHOTOS – for the new Photo Directory!**

Our new photo directory includes both individual and family photos. Read the complete details about how to take your photos and how to submit them here: <https://www.lewinsville.org/photo-directory/>. If you would rather have someone take your photo instead of doing it yourself, the link provided will also give you the option to sign up for a photo shoot time before and after worship services in January. If you have any questions, please contact Claire Grossi (703-887-8650) or Bettie McElroy (703-967-4999).



**SIGN UP FOR SANCTUARY FLOWERS IN 2023** - at the web page [www.lewinsville.org](http://www.lewinsville.org). Typically, individuals will choose to contribute flowers for the sanctuary on a specific Sunday in honor of a special occasion or in memory of a loved one. *A contribution of \$120 for Sanctuary flowers is suggested.*

**HOLY HAPPY HOUR! WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25 6:15 P.M.** - The U.S. Army Band "Pershing's Own" String Quartet will perform! The program will showcase the viola section. The Holy Happy Hour concert series has partnered with the local wine shop, Vienna Vintner, which will curate wines thematically appropriate for each concert. This event is free and open to the public and a free will offering to support the music department will be taken. Ample parking available in our parking lots and along Chain Bridge Road. Come to escape commute traffic and enjoy fantastic music!

**REFORMED INSTITUTE CONVOCATION – SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 8:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.**

The Reformed Institute ([www.reformedinstitute.org](http://www.reformedinstitute.org)) is sponsoring its annual Convocation on Saturday morning, January 28, at National Presbyterian Church. This year's speaker is Mark Charles, whose address will be about "The Injustices of the Doctrine of Discovery." Mark Charles is a speaker, writer, and consultant, the son of an American woman (of Dutch heritage) and a Navajo man. The "Doctrine of Discovery" was a Papal Decree that gave many European Countries religious legitimacy to invade and colonize the "new world" in the name of Christianity. Mark has faced the colonial legacy of Christian Indian schools in his own family, has served as a Reformed pastor, and has rediscovered his Navajo identity and spirituality. He teaches the complexities of American history regarding race, culture, and Christendom in order to help forge a path of healing and conciliation for the nation. He is the co-author, with Soong-Chan Rah, of the book, *Unsettling Truths: The Ongoing, Dehumanizing Legacy of the Doctrine of Discovery*. You may register for this event at [www.reformedinstitute.org](http://www.reformedinstitute.org), and you may read more about it at <https://reformedinstitute.org/event/2023-convocation-on-the-injustices-of-the-doctrine-of-discovery-with-mark-charles/>.

**ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** - The Annual Congregational Meeting will take place on **Sunday, February 5, from 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.** The 2023 church budget adopted by the Session will be presented; the terms of call for our installed pastors will be presented and voted upon; the election of new Ruling Elders, Deacons/Stephen Ministers, Nominating Committee, and Lewinsville Foundation members will take place. All church members are expected to attend; non-members are welcome to attend!

**JAZZ BLUES CONTEMPLATIVE WORSHIP - FEBRUARY 5, 7:00 P.M.** - Lewinsville will lean into the 'blues' note as we 'Journey into the Heart of God.' This service will intertwine Jazz and Blues music and feature a jazz quartet with scripture and reflection. Blues songs are typically lyrical rather than narrative and blues singers express feelings of melancholy and sadness through the Blue Notes - specific chord progressions.

**HOLY HAPPY HOUR! VALENTINE'S DATE NIGHT FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, AT 7:00 PM** - Tedde Gibson will accompany Buster Keaton's silent film "Go West" on Lewinsville's pipe organ. A perfect 'date night' for Valentine's Day, the Vienna Vintner will curate wines appropriate for the evening.

**THE SECOND SATURDAY SET** - will be meeting for dessert and conversation on **Saturday, February 11**, to celebrate an early Valentine's Day at the home of Lois Dokken and Roy Mitchell (actually in the lounge of the condo) at 7:00 p.m. The condo is located at 444 West Broad Street in the City of Falls Church. Please call Lois Dokken at 703 789-0617 or email her at [manpadokken@aol.com](mailto:manpadokken@aol.com) to offer to bring a dessert.



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Suzanne Parisi  
Roberta Wolfe

Banafshe Aghvami  
Diane Alden  
Janet Kohlenberger

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Leslie Kohler  
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