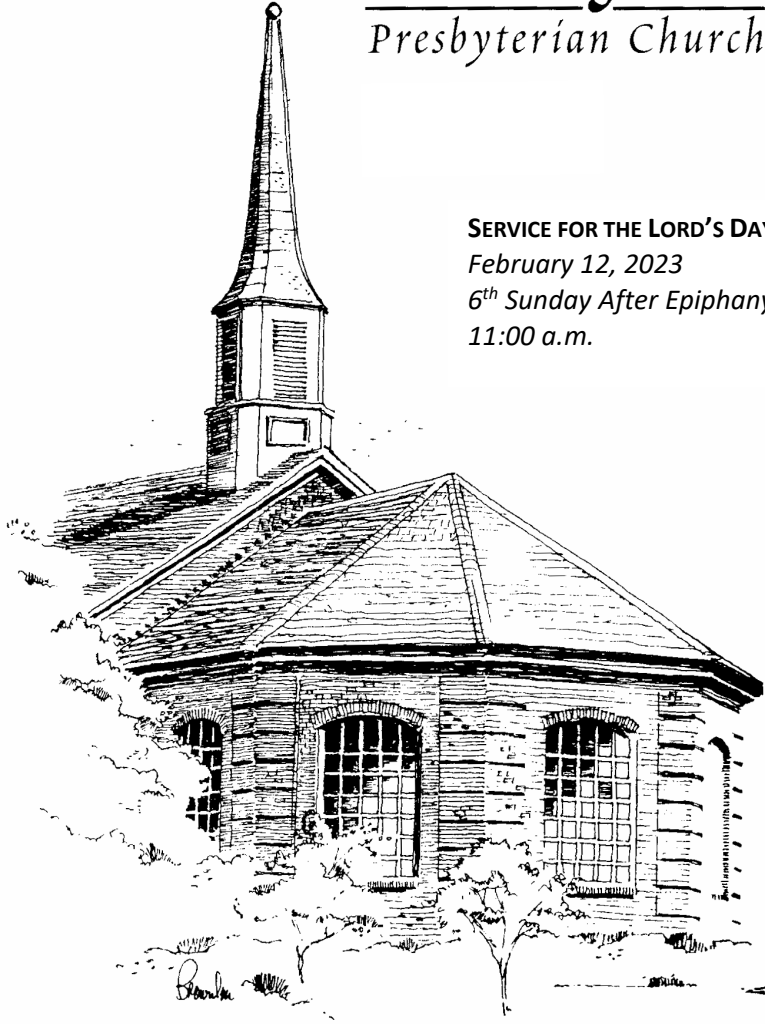


Lewinsville

Presbyterian Church



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
February 12, 2023
6th 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
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6TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
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* *If you are able, please stand*

†† *Latecomers seated*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Mvt. III Air from Suite No. 1

Florence Price

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Let us praise God, who gives living water, which enables us to flourish.

Those who trust in you, O God, are like trees planted by the water.

Those who place their faith in you are like trees with deep roots.

**Those who receive their life from you - rather than from the things of the world -
are like green trees, even in the winter.**

We praise you, God, for life that has no end, through our Lord Jesus Christ!

* **HYMN**

O Day of Rest and Gladness

GG 393

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CALL TO CONFESSION

silence for personal confession

Almighty God - Healing River, Source of Life - forgive our lack of trust in you.

Heal our brokenness, and wash away our sin.

**Free us from the fears that so easily bind us, and release us from the self-
absorbed desires that enslave us.**

**Help us always to come to you, and to allow the rivers of your love to wash us
clean and make us whole; through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

RESPONSE



Lord, have ___ mer - cy, Christ, have ___ mer - cy.
Lord, have ___ mer - cy, have mer - cy, O, Lord.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* RESPONSE

Glory Be to the Father

GG 581

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, 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

*Psalm 119:1-8
Matthew 5:21-26*

OT p. 566

NT p. 4

*The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!*

SERMON

Getting to the Heart of It

The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

* HYMN

Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive

GG 444

DETROIT

* 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.**

MINUTE FOR MISSION – SOUPER BOWL OF CARING

Leah Sexton

THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO OFFERING



(Scan this QR code to donate, or go to www.lewinsville.org and click the "Make a Gift" Button to give online.)

OFFERTORY

Teach Me, O Lord

David Hurd

*Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes :
and I shall keep it to the end.
Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law :
I shall keep it with all my heart.
Make me go in the path of your commandments :
for that is my desire.
Incline my heart to your decrees :
and not to unjust gain.
Turn mine eyes from watching what is worthless :
give me life in your ways.
Fulfill your promise to your servant :
which you make to all who fear you.
Behold, I long for your commandments :
in your righteousness preserve my life.*

* RESPONSE

Jesus, Jesus, O What a Wonderful Child

GG 126

WONDROUS CHILD

**Jesus, Jesus, O what a wonderful child.
Jesus, Jesus, so holy, meek and mild;
new life, new hope the child will bring.
Listen to the angels sing:
"Glory glory, glory!"
Let the heavens ring.**

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** *How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord* GG 432
REPTON

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

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

POSTLUDE *Jubilate* Fela Sowande

To honor Black History Month Lewinsville's Music Ministry will be performing works of African American composers throughout the month.

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.

Fela Sowande (1905-1987) was a prominent Nigerian composer, organist, and educator. Son of an minister, Sowande trained in music first under his father and as a chorister at Christ Church

Cathedral in Lagos, Nigeria before moving to London in 1935. He supported himself by playing jazz in nightclubs, eventually incorporating this style into his recording and composing career. As an educator, Sowande taught at the University of Ibadan, Howard University, and the University of Pittsburgh; he wrote texts on the music of Yoruban culture.

Sowande's named "Jubilate" demonstrates his synthesis of elements of African musical traditions, especially those of Yoruba music, with European classical composition techniques. The piece forms part of the suite "The Sacred Idioms of the Negro," which is based entirely on melodies from Yoruban hymns. The main tune of "Jubilate" is derived from a hymn entitled "Oyigyigi l'Olorun wa" (Our God Is Immortal), derived itself from a traditional Yoruban song for the river goddess Osun; this melody is accompanied with a rhythmic ostinato in the pedal.

David Hurd (1950-) holds degrees from Oberlin Conservatory and UNC. Dr. Hurd was Professor of Sacred Music and Director of Chapel Music at the General Theological Seminary, New York City, for 39 years. He is presently the Director of Music at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in Times Square, New York City. Hurd's sacred compositions can be found in many hymnals. Hurd was awarded First Prize in Organ and Improvisation at the International Congress of Organists in Philadelphia (1977).

Hurd's "Teach me O Lord" uses an 8 measure repeating pattern in the organ, setting a strong 'heartbeat' foundation as we follow God's 'statutes.' The piece ends with aleatoric (from the Latin word *alea*, meaning "dice" - music in which an element of the music is left to chance and improvisation in the performer) singing by the choir.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12, 2023

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God as fruit of the spirit, love, gentleness and Valentine's celebration from **Danny and Connie Howell**.

The red rosebud in the sanctuary this morning is given to the glory of God in celebration of the birth of Lincoln O'Brien Whitener on December 17. The proud great grandmother is **Marian O'Brien**.

ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY	Chancel Choir
LAY READER	Cathy Saunders
DUTY ELDER	Pat Buss
DUTY DEACON	Diane Alden
AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY	Rich Tullos, Carlos Claros and Haziel Andrade

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING TODAY – According to the USDA, more than 11 million children live in food insecure homes across our country. On Super Bowl Sunday, the Lewinsville Youth will partner with the Souper Bowl of Caring to ensure that the folks in Northern VA always have a place to go to get food assistance. We'll be accepting funds for this initiative **this morning** where you can donate in person following the worship service by placing your donation in one of the soup pots held by one of our youth. To donate online, go to <https://www.lewinsville.org/events/souper-bowl-of-caring/> All proceeds will go to support local food assistance programs and pantries in the area.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE RESPONSE TO EARTHQUAKE IN TURKEY AND SYRIA - In response to the devastating earthquakes in Turkey and Syria, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is working through its long-term relationships to provide assistance. You may support this by clicking the button on the Lewinsville giving page (click "Make a Gift" on Lewinsville.org) or by going directly to <https://pda.pcusa.org>

THE DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH NEWSLETTER IS WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15. Please send your submissions to salbrecht@lewinsville.org no later than February 15. Thank You.

PIANO CONCERT WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15 AT 6:15 PM - A program that explores the 'Seven Stages of Grief' with music by Franz Liszt.

Dominic Muzzi maintains a flourishing career as a concert pianist, having attained over a

dozen top prizes and gold medals in domestic and international competitions. A rising star on the concert circuit, he has performed across the United States and Europe, receiving rave reviews for his poise, flair, and maturity. Dominic is a doctoral candidate at Indiana University's Jacobs School of Music. Muzzi has been recently appointed the pianist for the "President's Own" U.S Marine Band. Free and welcome to all.

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 February. If you have any questions, please contact Claire Grossi (703-887-8650) or Bettie McElroy (703-967-4999). **PLEASE NOTE - FEBRUARY 26 IS THE LAST DAY FOR PICTURE TAKING AT CHURCH.**

FREE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM, AVOIDING IRS TAX SCAMS AND FRAUD – Saturday, February 18,

3:00pm at Chesterbrook Residences, 2030 Westmoreland Street, Falls Church, VA 22043.

Worrying about IRS scams, fraud, or possible identity theft can change tax season from stressful to terrifying. These scams are particularly common during tax season and impostors use many tactics to make their scams convincing. Learn what these scams look like and how to avoid becoming a victim of an income tax fraud. Presented by Martin Bailey, AARP, NOVA Community Ambassador & Fraud Watch Network Representative, and Fairfax County Silver Shield Task Force Member. Refreshments will be served. RSVP to Victoria Turner, 703 531-0781 or vtturner@cri-va.org.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 12NOON AND 7:30PM - Lewinsville will offer two opportunities to mark the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday. We will worship in the church sanctuary at 12 noon and 7:30 pm, during which worshippers will have the opportunity to receive the imposition of ashes. We invite you to begin your Lent with us in this way.

SMALL GROUP WITH PASTOR SCOTT DURING LENT: "SPEAKING THE TRUTH IN LOVE" - Wednesdays beginning March 1, 7:00 - 8:30pm. You are invited to join Pastor Scott in a Lenten small group discussion of the book, Speaking the Truth in Love, by Dr. Kenneth Haugk of Stephen Ministries. The small group will meet during the Lent season on Wednesday evenings at the church, beginning on Wednesday, March 1, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. This small group will be about becoming a more assertive Christian. The book invites the reader to live assertively –

just as Jesus did. Building on a scriptural understanding of assertive living, the reader learns how to build healthy relationships with others – one to one, in small groups, in task-oriented teams, and in congregations. If you would be interested in participating in this group, reach out to Pastor Scott.

THE 2023 LENT STUDY – FEBRUARY 26-28, “SEEKING ‘WHAT IS THE CHURCH?’ IN TIMES OF TRANSITIONS AND NEW CHALLENGES” -A review of the recent debates about church growth and vitality, providing biblical and theological contributions from different church traditions and reflection on the history and theology of church within the Reformed tradition.

Sunday, February 26 at 9:30 a.m.: *“Christian’s Response to ‘What is the Church?’ in times of turmoil”* Biblical Text: Acts 2: 1-13

Sunday evening at 6:00 p.m. A Light Dinner in Fellowship Hall; the Lecture will start at 6:30 p.m. *“‘What is the Church?’ Developing Theologies for the Global North from Experiences in the Global South: The Case of Donald McGavran, India, and ‘the Church Growth Movement.’”* Biblical Text: Galatians 2: 11-19

Monday, February 27 at 7:30 p.m.: *“‘What is the Church?’ The Influence of Vatican II, Leslie Newbigin, and missio Dei in the development of ‘The Missional Church’ (and the Counter-cultural movement).* Biblical Text: Acts 10: 23-48

Tuesday, February 28 at 7:30 p.m.: *“‘What is the church?’” From Numbers to Theologies of Intercultural Worship and Engagement.* Biblical Text: Revelation 7: 9-17

OUR SPEAKER: Lewinsville welcomes the return *in person* visit of Dr. Carlos Cardoza-Orlandi, the Frederick E. Roach Professor of World Christianity in Baylor's department of religion. Dr. Cardoza-Orlandi is an interdisciplinary scholar and historian in the fields of world Christianity and mission studies, Dr. Cardoza researches interpretations of the Christian movement around the world on both institutional and popular levels, the socio-cultural interplay between Christians and other faiths and more.

SUMMER MISSION PROJECT REGISTRATION IS OPEN! THIS SUMMER, JUNE 24 - JULY 1

Dates are confirmed but details are still in process – location will be announced soon!

Participants must have completed the 8th grade.

COVID-19 vaccinations will be required for all participants

If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Layne Brubaker or Linda Bender. As always, confidential financial assistance will be available for anyone who needs it. Layne or Linda can provide specifics.

You can register at this link! <https://smp.lewinsville.org/home>

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