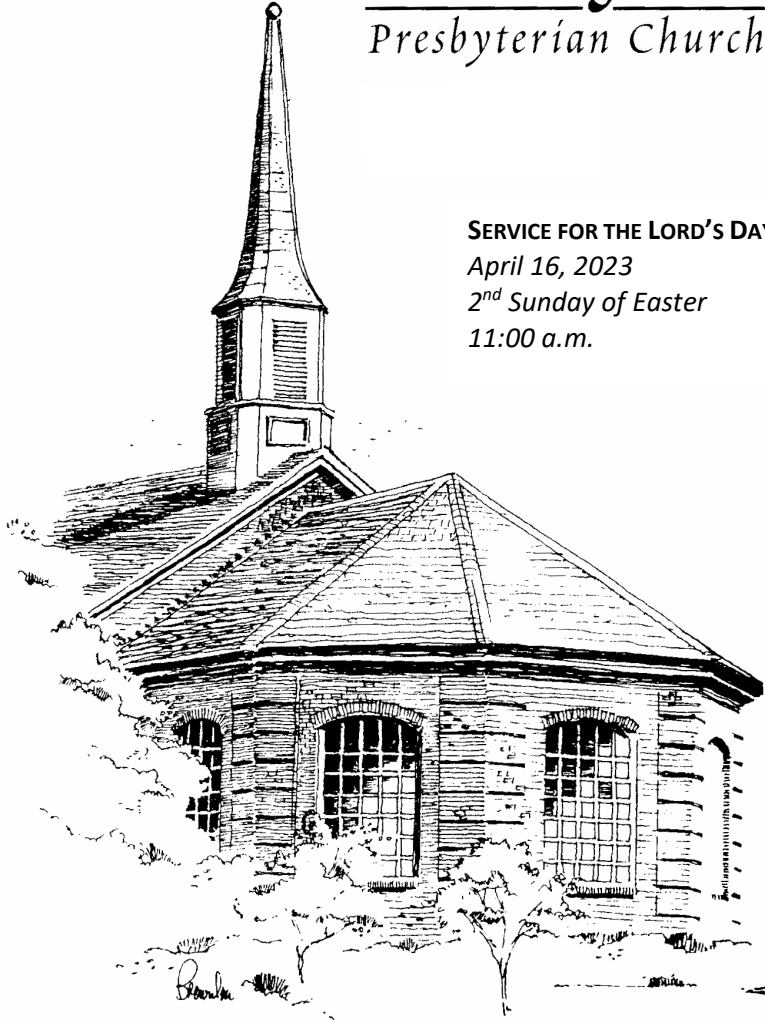


Lewinsville

Presbyterian Church



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 16, 2023

2nd Sunday of Easter

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
2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER
April 16, 2023

* *If you are able, please stand*

†† *Latecomers seated*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

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Louis Vierne

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

1 Peter 1:3-9

Blessed be the God of our Savior, Jesus Christ!

God has given us a new birth in the living hope of the resurrection.

God has given us that which is imperishable and unfading.

In this we rejoice, even when times are difficult.

For although we have not seen Jesus, we love him and believe in him.

The outcome of our faith is salvation. Let us worship God!

* **HYMN**

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing!

GG 239

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CALL TO CONFESSION

silence for personal confession

Gracious and loving God, you have made known to us the ways of life.

Yet too often, we put other things above you and turn away from the ways of life you have made known. Too often we are compelled by that which inhibits life and by that which is grotesque and life quenching. Forgive us, and by the power of your Holy Spirit lead us back into your life-renewing presence that we may know fullness of joy and fullness of life. Through Christ we pray, Amen.

RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us
Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

Renew! 85

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
**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.**

GG 581

GLORIA PATRI

* **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

Children will return to their seats after Children's meditation.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-31
The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

NT p. 115

SERMON

I'm a Doubting Thomas

The Rev. Layne Brubaker

* **HYMN**

These Things Did Thomas Count as Real

GG 256

KEDRON

* **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.**

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

Rustle of Spring

Christian Sinding

- * **RESPONSE** Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow GG 609
Praise God, from whom all blessings flow. LAST UNS ERFREN
Praise God, all creatures high and low.
Alleluia alleluia!
Praise God in Jesus fully known:
Creator, Word, and Spirit one.
Allelui, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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** *Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!* GG 248
HYMN TO JOY
- * **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**
- * **DISMISSAL**
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *Prelude in F Major BWV 556* Johann Sebastian Bach

An Elder or Deacon will be standing beside the pastors on the way out of the sanctuary, to take notes about any pastoral concerns.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 16, 2023

The flowers in the sanctuary this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Greg Davis, who died on November 16, 2022, by **Elaine Davis** and family. A memorial service was held on April 15 at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church.

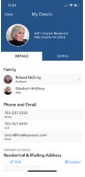
ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY	John Nothaft
LAY READER	Mike Deese
DUTY ELDER	Phil Church
DUTY DEACON	Sue Thomas
AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY	Rich Tullos, Carlos Claros and Haziel Andrade

"WELCOMING THE LGBTQ COMMUNITY: A CONGREGATIONAL CONVERSATION" – TODAY, 12:30 – 2:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Come and join us for a pizza/sandwich lunch and congregational conversation about how we as a congregation can be welcoming to the LGBTQ community. There'll be a presentation and discussion led by members of the Session and the Youth Council, Q&A, time for small group conversations around tables, and opportunities for us to grow closer to each other as we seek to grow our welcome as a congregation.

INQUIRERS' CLASS APRIL 23, 3:00-5:00 P.M. - Are you interested in joining Lewinsville Presbyterian Church? Are you interested in exploring, with a group of other folks at a similar point in their journeys, what participation in the life of a local congregation might look like? On Sunday afternoon, April 23, we will be holding a special one-session Inquirers' Class, which will explore our personal spiritual journeys, the core beliefs of the Presbyterian Church (USA), and the mission and ministry of Lewinsville Presbyterian Church. Lunch will be provided. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Pastor Scott, Pastor Layne, or Pastor Jen.

BLOOD DRIVE APRIL 30, 7:45AM - 12:15PM - Just one blood donation can save up to three lives and INOVA's inventory is at a critical low. consider donating at Lewinsville's April 30th blood drive. INOVA Blood Services will be accepting donations at Lewinsville's Fellowship Hall on the lower level of the building. Masks are optional. Bring a photo I.D. when you come to donate, and hydrate well before and after donating. Refrain from strenuous activity directly after donating. Walk-ins are accepted, appointments highly encouraged. Sign up at <https://bit.ly/LPC0430>.



Online Photo Directory: Want access? Send a request to Bettie McElroy (bettie@mcelroyassoc.com). To access the directory, click on **My Lewinsville** on the main menu upload the app to your cell and have it always at hand! And remember, if your photo isn't in the directory, we need it! Instructions for taking and sending your photos are [HERE](#)

THE SECOND SATURDAY SET - is gathering from near and far for its 50+3 Anniversary on Saturday, May 20, beginning at 6:00, at Army Navy Country Club, 3315 Blenheim Boulevard, Fairfax (formerly Old Lee Highway). To join this celebration of over half a century of fun, friendship and faith, contact Lois Dokken (manpadokken@aol) right away. Tell her your entre choice (shrimp scampi, pecan crusted chicken or pasta primavera) and send her a check for \$85 per person (made out to Lois) to 444 West Broad Street,#710, Falls Church VA 22046. Whether you've been a part of the Second Saturday Set for 50 years or 5 months, you need to be a part of the celebration!

THE LEWINSVILLE RETIREMENT RESIDENCE NEEDS ART SUPPLIES DONATIONS – LRR is currently collecting: Acrylic Paint, Watercolor Paint, Paint Brushes, Canvases, and any other art supplies you may have. Please drop donations off at the LRR front desk.

SUMMER MISSION PROJECT REGISTRATION IS OPEN! THIS SUMMER, JUNE 24 - JULY 1 - Registration is open and we are excited to be returning to historical Charlottesville, VA where we served in June 2014 and January 2016. Various service opportunities are being planned for the week to assist those with housing and food insecurities. Participants must have completed the 8th grade. COVID-19 vaccinations will be required for all participants and all participants age 18 and over must complete a Criminal Background Check (if one hasn't been completed in the past 5 years for a previous trip). 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.

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The Rev. Layne B. Brubaker
The Rev. Jen Dunfee
Allison Lineberger
John Nothaft
Evan Ayars

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Leslie Kohler
Virginia McCormick
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Sue Thomas

Pat Matheson*

Karen Siple*

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Frank Dimmock, The Outreach Foundation (Africa specialist), Decatur, GA

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