SEPTEMBER WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 3 livestreamed at 11:00 a.m.
14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Celebration of the Lord’s Supper
Exodus 3:1-15; Romans 12:9-21
“Living Like We’re Standing On Holy Ground”
Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

SEPTEMBER 10, livestreamed at 11:00 a.m.
15th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
KICK OFF SUNDAY/ENGAGEMENT FAIR
Psalm 119:33-40; Matthew 18:15-20
“Living Together in Righteousness”
Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey
9:30 a.m. Engagement Fair

SEPTEMBER 17, livestreamed at 11:00 a.m.
16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
ALL CHURCH MESSY CHURCH
“MESSY BEGINNINGS”
Genesis 1; Psalm 139
“Our Creative God”
Rev. Layne Brubaker
10:00 a.m. Messy Church Activities
11:00 a.m. Messy Church Worship
12:00 p.m. Lunch served in St. Andrews Hall

SEPTEMBER 24, livestreamed at 11:00 a.m.
17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
Psalm 145:1-8; Philippians 1:21-30
“Living Worthy of the Gospel”
Rev. Jen Dunfee

KICK OFF SUNDAY
SEPTEMBER 10
9:30—10:30 A.M. & IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP
LOCATIONS: NARTHEX, ST. ANDREWS HALL, FIRST FLOOR ROOMS OF THE CHURCH

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the Lewinsville Engagement Fair on Kick off Sunday- September 10, 2023! This event is all about showcasing the myriad of ways you can get involved and make meaningful connections within our congregation at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church.

The Engagement Fair will showcase various groups and ministries throughout the church building to share their work and how you can get involved. At our Engagement Fair, you will discover the range of activities and initiatives that make up our congregation. From youth & children programs to mission and service volunteer opportunities to music ensembles to Christ Care Groups to Ministry Groups, there’s something for everyone to connect with.

Ever wondered how you could contribute your time, talents, and passions to Lewinsville? Each group will provide you with an understanding of their purpose and work, making it easy for you to find a fit for where you feel God is calling you.

And…. BRING A T SHIRT to Kick Off Sunday and we will print “Lewinsville” on it for you. We will have a T shirt printing station and will be able to turn your favorite shirt or sweatshirt (light or dark colors) into a Lewinsville shirt! Reach out to Allison Lineberger with any questions.
FROM THE PASTOR

As I am returning from sabbatical, my heart is filled with gratitude to Lewinsville Presbyterian – the congregation, the Session, the pastors and staff – for this time away. This summer has been a time of “unplugging” for me, a time of resting, of tasting renewal and quiet. I’m very, very grateful to all of you who made this possible, in a variety of ways.

Throughout the summer, it has been occurring to me, in deeper and deeper ways, how God created us to live rested, grounded lives. And I’ve also come to realize that, for much of my life, I have been racing to get somewhere. Racing for good grades in school. Racing to get into college and seminary. Racing to get a job and to work in churches. Racing to raise our children. Racing, racing, racing.

None of those goals (grades, college, jobs, children) are bad things. All of them are good and important. What got distorted in me, however, was that I fell into the trap of believing that those pursuits defined me, and that I could not really rest until I had accomplished them. But since there will always be another project or task to do, that would mean that real restfulness can never arrive.

The prophet Isaiah spoke these words to an exhausted people: “Listen, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food” (Isaiah 55:1-2).

God has created us to live rested, grounded lives, in which we have everything we need, and in which our souls and bodies experience a deep sense of satisfaction, a “soul feast,” as one spiritual writer describes it.

In the days to come, I’m looking forward to exploring with all of you how we can live rested, grounded lives on a daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly basis, receiving God’s gifts into our bodies, our families, our congregation, and our community. See you soon!

Blessings for your journey,
Pastor Scott

THEME FOR 2023-2024 YEAR:
“SENT FROM THE HEART OF GOD”

Last year, our congregation’s activities were organized around the theme of the “Journey Into the Heart of God.” God’s heart is our true home, and the character of God’s heart – merciful, kind, steady, relational, full of grace and justice, saturated with love – fills everything that we do as a congregation. God’s heart is our true home, as the Psalms teach us: “Happy are all who take refuge in God” (Psalm 2:11).

God’s heart is also a place of dynamism and action and mission. God’s heart roots us in love, and then God sends us into the world to share that love with everyone that we meet. “Happy is everyone...who walks in God’s ways” (Psalm 128:1). We are called to walk in God’s ways, sent forth from the heart of God.

During the coming year, we will continue to ground everything that we do in the heart of God (i.e., we are not leaving God’s heart), but we will be conscious of the ways that we are being sent forth from God’s heart into the world that God so loves. God’s heart goes with us into the world. This theme has strong implications for our mission in the world, for our work of evangelism and spreading the good news of God’s grace, and for the ways that the church’s life together (our Fellowship) creates a community open to the world. We look forward to exploring this theme together, as we move forth into our local community and into our world.
Messy Church IS Church! Messy Church is not just for children or families with children but Messy Church is for everyone coming together to celebrate and worship in a different way the story of God’s love.

On September 17, our worship will be held in the Messy Church style. Beginning at 10:00 a.m. with activity centers in and around St. Andrews Hall, the Narthex, and Library, participants will explore through various activities the story of God’s Creation and His “re-do” in the story of Noah’s Ark and the Flood. Messy Church will continue into the Sanctuary at 11:00 a.m. for an interactive celebration of the Genesis Story.

Each Messy Church ends with a time of fellowship and food. We will conclude this special Messy Church with a light lunch served in St. Andrews Hall at 12:00 p.m.

In Genesis 1, God sets up relationships among Godself, human beings, and the rest of creation that we watch continue and develop throughout the rest of the Bible. For the Creation Series, we will use a series of short videos from the Bible Project to spark discussion of key passages that explore these relationships, including Genesis 1, Psalm 8, Proverbs 8, Psalm 148, and John 1. We will begin the Creation Series (Genesis 1) during the All Church Messy Church activities centers at 10:00 a.m. on September 17, and the following four sessions, in the order listed above, on October 1, 8, 15, and 22 (Adult Education Module 1).

**Leaders:** Cathy Saunders & Sharon Gamble

**Special Adult Education Class:**

**Non-Violent Communication**

The Matthew 25 task force invites you to join us on September 24 in Fellowship Hall (or online) for an all church Special Session Class on Non-Violent Communication.

Non-Violent Communication (NVC), developed by Marshall Rosenberg, is more than just a communication technique; it’s a way of life that encourages empathic understanding, authenticity, and compassion. In a world that often struggles with conflict and misunderstanding, NVC provides a structured framework for expressing ourselves honestly while also listening deeply to others. By focusing on our shared human needs and feelings, NVC seeks to create bridges of understanding and dissolve barriers to connection. The Matthew 25 task force hopes that NVC creates a framework for our congregation to engage in hard conversations going forward. This class will be fun, interactive, and educational!

**Location:** (In Person) FELLOWSHIP HALL; (Online) ZOOM; 9:30-10:30 A.M.
YOUTH FELLOWSHIP KICK OFF SEPTEMBER 10 6-8 P.M.

We will kick off Youth Fellowship Sunday evening September 10 6:00-8:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. We will meet every Sunday evening for Youth Fellowship. Youth can expect us to share a meal, have a spiritual formation conversation, and have fun together! Youth Fellowship is for youth in 6-12 Grade. If you want to know more about Youth Fellowship feel free to reach out to Pastor Layne Lbrubaker@lewinsville.org. Parents, please plan to attend a short beginning of the year meeting on September 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the youth room. Schedules for the year and some needed paper work will be available.

Trunk or Treat is where Trick or Treat meets Tailgating. Trick or Treaters go from car trunk to car trunk, collecting candy from the volunteers who have decorated their vehicles to serve as a backdrop for this spooktacular event. Lewinsville’s Trunk or Treat also offers carnival games, pumpkin painting and more.

We need volunteers to decorate their cars for the trick or treaters or volunteers to run one of the carnival games. Sign up to volunteer at the Engagement Fair (September 10) or contact Allison Lineberger (alineberger@lewinsville.org).

Monday September 18 all Lewinsville Young Adults (folks between the ages of 19-39ish) are welcome to join our Young Adult Small Group. This group will focus on fellowship, faith formation, service, and having fun together!

To be a young adult means you are in a stage of life where you are still trying to figure it all out. This group hopes to be a space for you to process life while you are figuring it all out.

RUNNING OUT OF TREATS OCTOBER 28 4:00-6:00 P.M.
LEWINSVILLE LOWER PARKING LOT

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As the sun sets on summer, we find ourselves on the cusp of a brand-new program year at Lewinsville and as we are Sent from the Heart of God, this is a good time to renew our commitment to God’s work in the world and our community.

Lewinsville is a vibrant congregation full of people brought together by our shared love of Jesus and this coming year, I encourage everyone to be open to all that God has in store for us. God’s love knows no boundaries and this program year, let’s strive to embrace people from all walks of life with open arms. I believe that as followers of Christ, we are called to serve one another with compassion and love. Let’s actively seek opportunities to make a positive impact in our community and beyond—let’s actively look to show God’s Love as we respond to human need. The journey of faith is not always smooth, and we all face challenges along the way. Let us commit to supporting and encouraging one another, offering a helping hand to those in need, and praying for each other’s well-being. By opening our hearts to all that God has in store, we embark on a collective journey of growth, faith, and community.

It is my prayer that this new program year at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church be filled with abundant blessings and God’s guidance. Together, let’s embrace the future with hope and joy following the path that God has set before us.

Layne

CONFIRMATION SCHEDULE

Oct 1  Introduction/ Orientation Session 1 What is Confirmation?
Oct 8  Session 2 How Do We Know and Trust God?
Oct 22 Session 3 What is Sin and How do we Turn from it?
Oct 29 Reformation Sunday attend adult Ed
Nov 5  Session 5/Session 4 Who Is Your Lord? Who is your Savior?
Nov 12 Session 6 What does it Mean to Be a Disciple of Jesus?

ADVENT/WINTER BREAK

Feb 11  Session 7 What does it mean to Show Christ Love?
Feb 18  Session 8 Will you Devote yourself to Christ’s Teachings?
Feb 25  Sessions 9 Will you Devote yourself to The Church’s fellowship?
Mar 3   Session 10 Will you Devote yourself to the Breaking of Bread?
Mar 10  Session 11 Will You Devote yourself to The Prayers?
Mar 17 Meet with Mentors to write Statement of Faith
Mar 24  Session 12 Are you Ready to Cross over?

April 12-13
Closing Confirmation Retreat
(More Information to come)

April 16
Sharing Faith Statements with Session
7:00 at Lewinsville, Room 102A

May 19 Pentecost Sunday
Confirmation Sunday 11:00 Worship Service
HISpanic HERITAGE MONTH
SEPTEMBER 15-OCTOBER 15

HISpanic HERITAGE MONTH MUSIC
Lewinsville will celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month from September 15-October 15 with music by composers of Spanish, Mexican, Caribbean, and Central and South American Composers.

YOUTH MUSIC ADVISOR
Lewinsville is looking for adult members of the congregation that would like to join the Lewinsville Choristers and Bells to sing Alto, Tenor, and Bass; also to fill in on handbells. Meeting Sundays 4:30-6:00 p.m.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON REHEARSAL SCHEDULES
Join us Sunday afternoons for choir, bells, and puppets! This Fall, we will work toward the Christmas presentations.
3:00-3:45—Junior Choristers (grades 1-5)
3:45-4:30—Puppets (grades 1-12)
4:30-6:00—Lewinsville Choristers & Bells (grades 6-12)
6:00-8:00—Youth Fellowship (grades 6-12)

HOLY HAPPY HOUR—‘AUTUMN LEAVES’
MUSIC FOR VIOLIN AND KEYBOARD
SARAH BERGER AND JOHN NOTHAFT
SEPTEMBER 27 6:15 P.M.

Lewinsville welcomes back the fifth installment of the Holy Happy Hour concert series! Holy Happy Hour concerts take place on the fourth Wednesday of the month. September 27, at 6:15 pm. Lewinsville’s first Holy Happy Hour of the 2023-2024 program year kicks off with a program themed on ‘Autumn Leaves.’ John Nothaft and Sarah Berger perform a concert for violin and keyboards. This 45 minute program will be followed by wine, cheese, and fellowship in St. Andrews Hall.

The Holy Happy Hour concert series has partnered with the local wine shop, Vienna Vintner, which will curate wines thematically appropriate for each concert.

All events are free and open to the public. Come to escape the commute and enjoy fantastic music.
The fall cornhole league will start Monday night September 18 at 7pm and continue through October 9th. All are welcome, we have had excellent league play over the summer and now is the time for all to join in for the fall league. The league plays on 4 Monday nights from 7-8:30 pm. All skill levels are welcome from beginner to experienced players. It is fun, easy, and a good time on a Monday night.

Past League winners are Sally McKeown & Mike Deese, Jim Tenney & Mary Frase, we have an emerging pro in “AirMail Bob”, Bob Johnson who dazzles all with his amazing shots.

Anyone can play... Anyone can win...

Just come by on Monday September 18 and toss some bags.

For additional information contact Bob Clark recinva@gmail.com Ed Sumner cedsumner@gmail.com

NEWS FROM OUR LEWINSVILLE FAMILY

MEMBERS IN INDEPENDENT LIVING, NURSING HOMES & CARE CENTERS:
ASHBY PONDS: Quinn and Celia Morrison, Evelyn Jones, Richard Rager
CHESTERBROOK RESIDENCES: Nancy Miller
GOODWIN HOUSE, FALLS CHURCH: Charles and Mary Hutchison
GREENSPRING, SPRINGFIELD: Joanne Field, Sarah Larson
THE JEFFERSON, ARLINGTON: Fran Pearce, Bob and Beverly Johnson
THE KENSINGTON, RESTON: Janie Waldrop
LARMAX, MCLEAN Bert Wolfe
LEWINsville RETIREMENT RESIDENCE: Tirza Edwin, Jane Gardner, Lurleen Ogle, Lucille Quinn, Mina Sulaiman
LOUDOUN NURSING & REHABILITATION CENTER Lois Rorex, Saundra Leslie
VINSON HALL, MCLEAN Jean and Charlie Mertz, Bill Richardson
THE VIRGINIAN: Don Robb

ANNIVERSARIES
Congratulations to ALL Lewinsville couples celebrating SEPTEMBER wedding anniversaries. The following couples are celebrating a milestone occasion:

- Bob and Cathy Gaugler—58 years on September 4
- Dick and Caroline Van Wagoner—65 years on September 6
- Vern and Janet Gale—57 years on September 10
- Rich and Janice Tullos—54 years on September 14
- David and Christina Dokken—30 years on September 18
- Scott and Abbey Conley—15 years on September 27

DEATHS
Our loving sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Steve Hiemstra, who died on July 13. Steve served at Lewinsville as an Elder, on the Church in the World Committee, and the Administrative and Facilities Committees. Steve was also a member of the “beavers” who performed upkeep and maintenance of the church, a regular attendee at the Men’s Breakfast, and a generous supporter of the congregation’s mission work. Steve and his wife Billie were founding and active members of the Adult Club. A Service of Celebration and Witness to the Resurrection was held on July 23 by the Rev. Jen Dunfee.

Our loving sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Earl Merritt, who died on July 11. Earl has been a member of Lewinsville since 1973. Earl remained a member of Lewinsville after moving to Williamsburg in the early 90s and he and his wife Jan and family stayed connected. A service for him will be held in Williamsburg and an internment will be in the Lewinsville Presbyterian Cemetery later in the fall.

Our loving sympathy and prayers are extended to the family of Connie Schafer, who died on July 26. Connie became a member of Lewinsville in 1973 and served as an Elder. She was the blood drive coordinator, active in Presbyterian Women, and a dedicated volunteer on getting the monthly newsletter distributed. Service details will be announced when finalized.

BIRTHS
Congratulations to James and Katie Schwabach on the birth of their son, Grayson James Schwabach, on August 24. The proud grandparents are Bettie and Roland McElroy, and the proud big brother is Noah, age 4.
I remember watching the comedian John Mulaney host Saturday Night Live in early March of 2020. I don’t remember if he talked about Covid, but I do remember his joke about Jesus, “It’s hard to make friends when you’re an adult. I think that’s the greatest miracle of Jesus. He has 12 best friends in his thirties, and they weren’t his wife’s best friends’ husbands.”

Jesus builds friendship and community in his travels throughout the gospels, but his most important connections are made through his own small group! It is my hope that everyone at Lewinsville, whatever age or stage of life they are in, experiences the blessings of a small group: people to pray with and support each other as we live out the gospel of Jesus in the challenges of our everyday lives.

At the Engagement Fair on September 10th there will be opportunities to sign up for Small Group ministry, including joining existing ChristCare groups or creating a new group for recently joined members, a group reading and discussing Timothy Keller’s book A Reason for God on Tuesday mornings beginning September 19th, twice-monthly events for youth parents (one dinner in homes, one discussion night at church) and beginning in late September, an “Acts in the Alcove” 8-week evening bible study and prayer group in the church Alcove. There will be other short-term and longer term groups offered throughout the year as well. If you have questions or ideas for other topics or kinds of groups, please share those with me.

Please let Jane know (jimjaneedmondson@gmail.com) if you will be able to attend and whether you will bring a salad, vegetable or dessert.

Something NEW for all SENIORS in the fall - a new group for all seniors (Senior lunch bunch) in the congregation will begin on Friday, September 8th at 11:30am. The current Single Seniors group will become part of this larger group. Lunch and a program – in September we’ll talk about names, dates, and preferences for programs in the future (a contest for the best suggestion for a name). Current plans are to meet six times a year or every other month. We expect to get some help with the cost from the church budget so no charge at this time. Mark your calendars for Friday, September 8th at 11:30 am in Room 102A. All seniors are welcome!

Please RSVP no later than noon on Thursday, September 7, to Wendy Maiwurm at 703-759-6705, wmaiwurm@gmail.com, or Lois Dokken at 703-789-0617, manpadokken@aol.com.

With gratitude for the saints of Lewinsville Presbyterian, your faith and friendship,
Pastor Jen.
JOIN FELLOW PRESBYTERIANS IN THE "THIRD THIRD OF LIFE" FOR A CELEBRATION OF THE INCREDIBLE GIFTS OF AGING! THIS SPECIAL RETREAT WILL OFFER A DEEP DIVE INTO THEMES OF RENEWAL, RELEASE, AND HOW TO CREATE LIVES OF MEANING AS WE AGE.

What does aging look like to you? Increased isolation? Less fun? The long slope to end of life? Less to do and more time in which to do it? Wait! Research has shown this can be the best part of your life. Join the Immanuel and Lewinsville communities as we look at reframing aging. Come and enjoy a day of learning, laughter and connection. Our retreat leaders will offer guidance on creating our best lives with those closest to us on this journey.

Limited to 50 participants!

RSVP today to rcarlton@ipcmclean.org

Coffee & lunch will be served.
SPOTTING THE SPOTTED LANTERNFLY

A new invasive insect species is showing up in our region, including Fairfax and Loudoun Counties: the spotted lanternfly. Officials are developing plans to stave off a major infestation that could seriously disrupt local agriculture and our natural community. Educating residents to help with early detection and containment is critical to this effort.

Adult spotted lanternflies are about an inch long and half an inch wide. They do not sting or bite. Their outer wings are gray with black spots. Their underwings feature striking patches of red, white and black. Adults emerge in late July and lay egg masses on hard surfaces such as tree bark, flat stones, parked cars and patio furniture from September until the first hard frosts. Freshly laid egg masses are about 1" long and covered in a white putty-like substance, which later darkens and looks like cracked mud. The eggs incubate over winter and hatch in spring. All life stages are pictured here.

Native to Asia, spotted lanternflies were first detected in the US in 2014, in Bucks County PA. They have already spread to at least 14 states. Their preferred host plant is the invasive ailanthus tree (tree-of-heaven) but they also feed on more than 70 types of crops and native hardwood trees, including apples, peaches, grapes, willows, oaks and maples. Nymphs and adults weaken plants by sucking sap from stems, trunks and leaves. They leave behind a foul-smelling sticky substance called “honeydew” which further damages plants by supporting the growth of sooty mold. The eggs incubate over winter and hatch in spring. All life stages are pictured here.

Of officials are concerned that the nuisance factor of the honeydew will drive many residents to spraying their property with insecticides. This would make only a small, temporary dent in the population at the cost of harming beneficial organisms. Research is underway to develop safe and effective biological controls, but in the meantime, we can take these steps instead of spraying:

• Squash them; suck them up in a shop vacuum; trap them in a container of soapy water, rubbing alcohol, or in a homemade circle trap.
• Search your property (deck, lawn furniture, pots, cars, play equipment, etc.) for egg masses. Scrape them off surfaces into a container of soapy water, rubbing alcohol or hand sanitizer.
• Inspect your vehicle after returning from an infected area, which now includes all mid-Atlantic states and southern New England. Wheel wells, mirrors, bumpers and trunks are common hiding places for these hitchhikers.
• Report sightings (include photos and location): in Fairfax County (or phone 703-324-5304); in Loudoun County; in Arlington County or City of Alexandria; or use the iNaturalist mobile app.
• Remove ailanthus trees from your property. For more information, visit these webpages: Fairfax County and U of Maryland.

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MATTHEW 25:37-40

37 “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? 39 When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

40 “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

CHRIST HOUSE THANK YOU

Many thanks to all who responded so generously to Lewinsville’s Christ House summer clothing collection, both with your on site and online donations. Packages of new socks, t-shirts and briefs, plus very welcome gently used items, including 50 + sports shirts and 16 (!) pair of jeans are among the items that will help provide much needed and serviceable clothing for the men of Christ House.

The mission of Christ House is to provide comprehensive and compassionate health care to sick, homeless men in the District of Columbia, and to assist them in addressing critical issues to help break the cycle of homelessness.

Information about the work and mission of Christ House: www.christhouse.org

Point-of-contact: Jan Jacewicz – jcjacewicz@gmail.com / 703-231-4973.

CHRIST HOUSE THANK YOU

MATTHEW 25 10

SPOTTING THE SPOTTED LANTERNFLY

Join the lookout for spotted lanternfly!
JULY SESSION MEETING HIGHLIGHTS:

1. Finance Committee Chair, Phil Cooke, reported that June revenue was under budget but was offset by expenses which were also under budget for the month. Session approved reminding the congregation of their pledge commitments at the mid-year point.

2. Session received an update from the Staff Reconfiguration Task Force which continues their assessment of the current staffing model. Conversations with all staff and members of the congregation at-large are complete, as are benchmarking conversations with similar local churches. The Task Force is on track to present staffing model options for the Personnel Committee to consider in September.

3. Session received an inspiring report from the Mission & Service Ministry Group on the Refugee Resettlement Team via Elder Betty Douglass. The Team remains committed to their mission and is very appreciative of the congregation’s generosity.

4. Session received a request from The Langley School to use the church building as a safe location for their students and staff to travel to in the event of an evacuation and referred the request to the Facilities Committee for further consideration and recommendation.

5. Session approved David Baer, Stated Clerk for the National Capital Presbytery, to preach on Sunday, August 6 in place of Tara Spuhler McCabe, Assistant General Presbyter for the National Capital Presbytery. Ms. McCabe was previously approved at the May Session Meeting but had a scheduling conflict.

NOTE: There was no Session meeting in August.

If you ever have any questions, feel free to reach out to any of the pastors or to me.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Bender, Clerk of Session

FOUNDATION MONTHLY MINDER

This is one of a series of “Monthly Minders” that briefly describe the Foundation (formed in 1985) and some estate planning considerations that may be helpful to both the Church and its members.

ESTIMATED TAX PAYMENTS

Estimated tax payments are due on September 15, 2023 and January 15, 2024 for the periods ending December 31 and January 15, 2024. If you think you may have a large estimate due, you may want to consider how that obligation will be funded and whether there is a method that could be used to help both you and the Church.

THANKS AND AWE

The Foundation has a nine-person “staggered” Board, with each member eligible to serve two consecutive terms three-year terms before taking a break. The continuity is a good thing in general, but when there is a “clumping” of superb Board members leaving at about the same time, they leave behind very big shoes to fill.

We are at such a de-clumping event as the likes of the following have recently become departing clumps after long and very—really very—effective service—Roy Mitchell, Bob Johnson, Jerry Kohlenberger and Karen Siple. These and others form a very impressive group of members. And we thank them for extraordinary service.

PS—NONE OF ANY TAX ADVICE CONTAINED HEREIN SHOULD BE TREATED AS “GOSPEL”.
GOOD SAMARITAN DAY
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1
1:00 P.M.-3:00 P.M.

Following worship participants will be invited to join one of the multiple family friendly service options for families and friends to join in. More information to come soon!

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8
2:00 P.M.
THE PAVILION AT THE LEWINSVILLE

ALL PETS ARE WELCOME! PETS MUST BE ON A LEASH OR IN A CARRIER/CRATE.