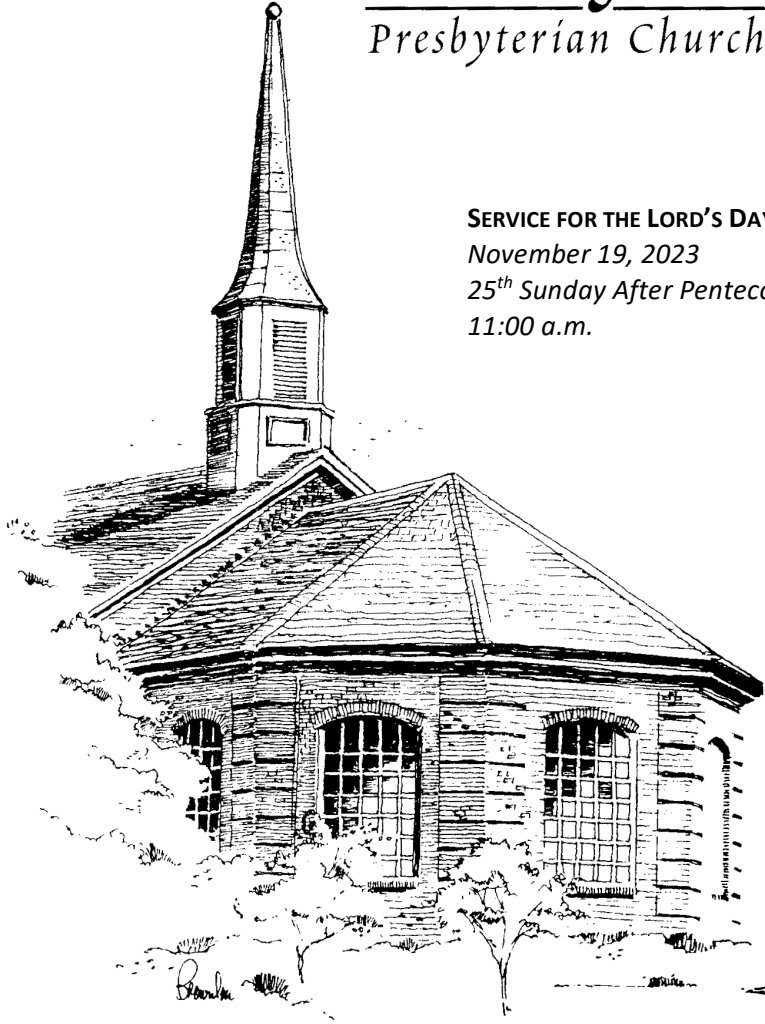


Lewinsville

Presbyterian Church



SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
November 19, 2023
25th Sunday After Pentecost
11:00 a.m.

SENT FROM THE HEART OF GOD



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.

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.

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.



Welcome Information



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THE LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
November 19, 2023

* *If you are able, please stand*

†† *Latecomers seated*

As we prepare for worship, please silence cell phones

Cast all your anxiety on God, because God cares for you.

- 1 Peter 5:7

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Hashiat Kochcha (Sunrise) Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate
Misha pilla aashoppala' písli...
Hatahoot ankána' himitta'?
Sahaksibisha milínkaha chokkilimaat anompóholi,
Sachonkasha achokmalicho'sit imanompoli.
Pisa'! Hashiat powaháa!
Shotiha ahámbi!
Himmaka' poshki' alhihaat hilha'chi.

Chickasaw translation:

I see a light in the distance
Who is my new friend?
He is whispering in my ear
Gently talking to my heart.
Look, the sun is calling to us!
He is painting the sky!
Now our mothers will dance

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

God has given us this beautiful earth and all that grows and runs upon it.

Thanks be to God!

God has given us breath to live and voices to sing.

Thanks be to God!

God has gathered us into a community of care and worship.

Let us worship God with love, thanksgiving, and praise!

* **HYMN**

For the Fruit of All Creation

GG 36

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CALL TO CONFESSION

silence for personal confession

Gracious God, we confess that we do not love you with all our heart, our soul, our strength, our mind. We do not love our neighbors with a deep and abiding compassion. We do not love ourselves and care for our own truest needs. Transform our shallowness, heal our wounded and broken souls, and fill us with your Spirit so that we can live as your forgiven and free people. We pray in the name of Jesus Christ whose love has no end. Amen.

RESPONSE

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WORDS: Ancient Greek
MUSIC: Based on Mvt. II from *Symphony No. 9* by Antonín Dvořák;
arr. by Ruth Elaine Schram
Arr. © 1998 Alfred Publishing Co.

NEW WORLD
Irregular

Translation:

Lord, have mercy
Christ, have mercy
Lord, have mercy

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments. We violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation, yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.

With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

THANKSGIVING

INVITATION TO OFFERING



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OFFERTORY

Loksi' Hakshop (Turtle Shells)

The second movement is composed of vocables that have no translated meaning.

"Chickasaw legend tells of a girl who is teased by other children and named Loksi'—Turtle—for her slowness. Upon the counsel of a river, she goes to live in the forest. There, she finds hospitality among the turtle people. One day, the god of the turtles asks her to tell her fellow humans to treat turtles with respect and kindness, and gives her a gift of turtle shells filled with pebbles and seeds to bring back with her. The rattles were adopted by the people of Loksi' and used to accompany dances and ceremonies, a reminder to treat the natural world with care."

* **RESPONSE** *God, Whose giving Knows No Ending (vs. 2)*

GG 716

**Skills and time are ours for pressing toward the goals of Christ, your Son:
all at peace in health and freedom, races joined, the church made one.
Now direct our daily labor, lest we strive for self alone.
Born with talents, make us servants fit to answer at your throne.**

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** *We Are Marching in the Light of God* GG 853
Sung four times - Alternating 1.English 2.Zulu 3.English 4.Zulu SIYAHAMBA

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Romance

Gabriel Fauré

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

We welcome today's guest musician:

Atticus Mellor-Goldman is one of three cellists with the Air Force Strings, winning his position with the ensemble in 2021. Mellor-Goldman received his Bachelor's degree in 2019 from the Robert McDuffie Center for Strings at Mercer University's Townsend School of Music. He went on to earn his Master's degree from Yale University. He has been featured on NPR's "From the Top" and American Public Media's "Performance Today," In 2014, he was selected as one of two musicians to act as a "cultural ambassador" for New York University Abu Dhabi. Additionally, he is a past winner of the Townsend School of Music's concerto competition. He currently lives in Fairfax, Virginia, and enjoys cooking Korean food with his wife, Minji, and playing Pickleball in his spare time.

A note on today's music:

Taloowa' Chipota (Children's Songs) is a work composed for middle school aged chorus. The songs are reminiscent of traditional stomp dancing and are based on old Chickasaw melodies. Stomp dances begin at dusk and end at dawn. The first movement depicts the beginning sunlight of the morning. The second movement is full of abstracted textures emulating the shell shaking in stomp dances. The vocables have no translated meaning and are pronounced in English.

Jerod Impichchaachaaha' Tate (1968-) is a classical composer, citizen of the Chickasaw Nation in Oklahoma, and is dedicated to the development of American Indian classical composition. The Washington Post selected him as one of "22 for '22, and has commissions from numerous major symphonies across the country.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF
NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY

Chancel Choir, Atticus Mellor-Goldman

LAY READER

Dave Smith

DUTY ELDER

Karen Hager

DUTY DEACON

Janet Kohlenberger

AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY

Rich Tullos, Carlos Claros and Haziel Andrade

JOIN US AFTER WORSHIP - to hear Alan Stevens and Madison Kloster talk about their recent trip to Kenya to work with our Mission Partner *The United Orphanage and Academy*, which is located in Moi's Bridge, Kenya with a light lunch.

OUR PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CIRCLE - will meet to study Lesson 2 in Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ In Luke-Acts, **next Monday**, November 20, at 1:30 PM in the 2nd floor parlor. All are welcome. For more information contact Joanne Theon, 703-356-1435 or jetheon@starpower.net.

LOST SHEEP PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – will meet in the Chapel on Monday morning, **November 20**, between 10:00am – 12:00pm. Interested knitters/crocheters of all skill levels are welcome. Beginners and drop-ins are most welcome! Please join us for as long as your time permits. Points of contact: Carol Kaffenberger (703 407-6311) or Janet Jacewicz (703 231-4973)

WESTGATE GIFT COLLECTION NOVEMBER 26, 2023 – On November 26, choose an ornament on the Christmas tree in the Narthex. On the Christmas ornament will be gifts to purchase for children at Westgate elementary school. Thank you so much for supporting this mission partner! All gifts need to be purchased, wrapped, and delivered to the church by **Sunday, December 10**.

FOR GRADE SCHOOL CHILDREN, GRADES 1-5 - The Hanging of the Greens Ornament Making Party will be held **Saturday, December 2 in Fellowship Hall 10:00 a.m.-12 noon**. Families with children in grade school will come together to make hand-made ornaments for their decorations at home. All the ornaments will be easy to make and will not require a lot of “know how”. Registration is needed for supplies and will close December 1. To register: contact Allison Lineberger at alineberger@lewinsville.org. Registration can also be done at the desk outside the Sunday School rooms on the lower level hallway.

HANGING OF THE GREENS, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 9:30AM–1:30PM - Join the Flower Committee in decorating the church for Advent and Christmas with trees, wreaths, roping, and lights. Bring work gloves and wire cutters. We welcome help from everyone age 13 and up. We are happy to provide service hours for students. Donuts and coffee will be provided as well as a solid dose of Christmas spirit. Please email Pamela.Deese@afslaw.com with questions or your RSVP.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN AGES 2-5 - are invited to kick off the Advent/Christmas season at our popular Preschool Angel Breakfast, **Sunday, December 3, 9:30-10:30, during the Sunday morning Education hour**. Families will create Angel crafts, share in a breakfast of star shaped pancakes, play a game of A*N*G*E*L for prizes and hear the Christmas Story presented by the Lewinsville Puppeteers. Children may bring Mom, Dad, Grandma, Grandpa or other adult relative. Registration is now open. Contact Allison Lineberger at alineberger@lewinsville.org to sign up.

**Sunday December 24, 2023
Christmas Eve Schedule**

11:00am

Family Christmas Eve Service

**Choristers and Jr. Choristers present *The Light Before Christmas*
A prelude will begin circa 10:55 am.**

7:00 and 9:30 pm

Candlelight and Communion Christmas Eve Service

Baroque Christmas Eve 7:00 pm, 6:30 festive music

Lewinsville's Chancel Choir will be performing Johann Sebastian Bach's 'Wachet Auf' Cantata with Baroque Orchestra as a Christmas Eve prelude for our 7:00 pm service. The Cantata will begin circa 6:30 pm.

Jazz Christmas Eve 9:30, 9:15 festive music

**Jazz Christmas Eve 9:30 pm with Young Adult Alumni Choir, 9:15 jazz introduction.
If you have a young adult back in town for Christmas, please invite them
to join for fellowship, reunion, and musical joy.**

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