

Lewinsville
Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

March 24, 2024

Palm/Passion Sunday

11:00 a.m.



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.



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* *If you are able, please stand*

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Mvt. I Allegro Moderato from String Quartet in F Major*
Maurice Ravel

WELCOME

* **PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM** *Mark 11:1-10*

. . . Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting:

Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Hosanna!

Hosanna in the highest heaven!

* **PROCESSIONAL HYMN** *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* GG 196

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

* **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

**God most High, gracious and glorious,
blessed is the one who comes in your name.**

Lead us now on the road to the cross.

May we follow with faithfulness and joy;

Shouting "Hosanna in the highest heaven;"

Through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. 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

ANTHEM

Introit and Kyrie from Requiem

Gabriel Fauré

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine,

et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Te decet hymnus, Deus, in Sion,

et tibi reddetur votum in Jerusalem.

Exaudi orationem meam: ad te omnis caro veniet.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.

Translation:

Give them eternal rest, Lord,
and may light perpetual shine upon them.

A hymn becomes you, God, in Zion,
and a vow shall be paid to you in Jerusalem.

Hear my prayer: to you all flesh shall come.

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

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE PASSION NARRATIVE

Mark 14:1-25

HYMN

An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare

GG 202

(Children may leave with Allison Lineberger to

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continue the story of Holy Week in an extended Sermon stories.

Parents can pick up their children following the service in room 102B)

THE PASSION NARRATIVE (CONT.) *Mark 14:26-42*

HYMN *My Song is Love Unknown* GG 209
LOVE UNKNOWN

THE PASSION NARRATIVE (CONT.) *Mark 14:43-14:65* NT p. 52

HYMN *O Sacred Head, Now Wounded* GG 221
PASSION CHORALE

THE PASSION NARRATIVE (CONT.) *Mark 14:66-15:18*

*. . . the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead.
Pilate spoke to them again,*

“Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?”

“Crucify him!”

“Why, what evil has he done?”

“Crucify him!”

*. . . And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they
put it on him. And they began saluting him,*

“Hail, King of the Jews!”

HYMN *Ah, Holy Jesus* GG 218
HERZLIEBSTER JESU

THE PASSION NARRATIVE (CONT.) *Mark 15:19-47*

ANTHEM *Pie Jesu* Lili Boulanger

Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem.

Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem sempiternam.

Translation:

Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them rest.

Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them eternal rest.

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Philippians 2:5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness. And being found in human form
he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death –
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord!

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OFFERTORY

Deep Peace

Elaine Hagenberg

*Deep peace of the running wave to you.
Deep peace of the flowing air to you.
Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.
Deep peace of the shining stars to you.
Deep peace of the gentle night to you.
Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.
Deep peace of Christ,
the light of the world to you.*

- * **RESPONSE** *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* GG 224 vs. 1
**When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.**

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

- * **RECESSIONAL HYMN** *Go to Dark Gethsemane* GG 220
REDHEAD 76

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

CHORAL BENEDICTION

In Paradisum

Nadia Boulanger

*In paradisum deducant angeli:
et cum Lazaro quondam paupere,
aeternam habeas requiem.*

Translation:

May the angels lead you into paradise:
and with Lazarus, once a beggar,
may you have eternal rest.

DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Sarabande

Jehan Alain

*Our Holy Week journey continues with the Maundy Thursday worship service
at 7:30 p.m. on March 28.*

*Lewinsville has a long history of enjoying our music ministry. Feel free to stay and enjoy the
postlude, or you are welcome to exit the sanctuary during the postlude.*

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

PALM SUNDAY

To celebrate Palm Sunday, our congregation partnered with the Presbyterian Hunger Program to use Eco-Palms – branches truly worthy of celebration. Usually palms are harvested in rainforests that are critical habitats for migrating birds. The more fronds harvesters cut, the more income they generate, which results in over-harvesting, and threatens the rainforest. Middlemen transport the palms out of communities for processing where more than half of the palms are discarded because of poor quality.

Eco-Palm harvesters, however, gather only quality palm fronds in a way that allows the plant to keep growing. The communities process and package the palms instead of selling to middlemen, allowing them to capture more of the profits. With this money, impoverished harvesters are able to buy shoes and school uniforms for their children and can pay for basic healthcare. These jobs also mean youth stay in their communities instead of migrating for work.

In addition, five cents of every Eco-Palm sold for Palm Sunday directly funds projects that improve the lives of all community members. This money provides scholarships for students, pays a teacher's salary and supports elderly members of the community.

Lewinsville welcomes its guest musicians for this morning's worship service.

Violin I - Sergey Prokofyev

Viola II - Sarah Berger

Violin II - Patrick Lin

Cello - Atticus Mellor-Goodman

Viola I - Erica Schwartz

Keyboards - Dr. Peterson Huang

To honor Women's History Month, Lewinsville's Music Ministry will be performing works of female composers throughout the month. As part of Lewinsville's mission, may we continue to promote and empower women.

This Palm Sunday we celebrate the music of **Nadia and Lili Boulanger**. The sisters were not only talented musicians and composers, but also broke gender barriers on their way to great musical achievements. Both sisters were among the first few women to enter the prestigious Prix de Rome competition, and in 1913 Lili became the first woman to earn the coveted Grand Prix. After Lili's untimely death at the age of 24, her sister continued to promote her music and worked to keep her legacy alive. Nadia went on to become one of the most influential musical pedagogues of her generation. Her pupils, the so-called "Boulangerie," included such luminaries-to-be as Aaron Copland, Philip Glass, and Quincy Jones. Palm Sunday's worship service will feature music for strings and choir by the Boulanger Sisters, their teacher, Gabriel Fauré, and their contemporaries, Maurice Ravel and Jehan Alain.

Maurice Ravel (1875-1937) met the Boulanger sisters in Fauré's composition classes at the Paris Conservatoire. Ravel submitted his **String Quartet in F Major** to the Prix de Rome, and although it didn't win, it is now considered one of his masterpieces and a staple of chamber music repertoire. Dedicated to his teacher, Gabriel Fauré, the work features pizzicato, a technique in which musicians pluck the strings of their instruments, as well as a wonderful use of tone color.

Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924) was a close family friend of the Boulanger's, and discovered Lili had perfect pitch at age two. He served as mentor to the Boulanger sisters. Faure's **Requiem** was written in response to the death of father. He hoped to inspire peace, hope, and eternal rest compared to previous composers' dramatic portrayal of the "Dies Irae" (Day of Wrath).

Elaine Hagenberg (1979-) is an accomplished pianist and singer who is becoming well-known as a contemporary American composer and arranger of choral music. After earning her degree in music, she began raising a family of four children and composing while at home. **Deep Peace** used the Gaelic Blessing often spoken at Celtic funerals.

Jehan Alain (1911-1940) was a leading organist and composer of his era in Paris. A cavalryman in World War II, he died in action during a reconnaissance mission near Saumur, France, two days before the 1940 armistice. Alain and Lili Boulanger were leading composers of the next generation who both died tragically young. Sarabande comes from the 2nd Mvt. "Mourning" (Funeral dance to honor a heroic memory) from his final work, "Trois Danses" for solo organ. As the story goes, he originally wanted to orchestrate "Three Dances," but all of his sketches were lost 'to the winds' on the battlefield with his death. The version for pipe organ only survives because he mailed it to a friend the month before his death. His arrangement for Strings, Organ, and Tympani was sketched out in advance.

ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY

Chancel Choir, Lewinsville Choristers, Katy Morgan

LAY READERS

John Thomas, Linda Bender, Cathy Gaugler

DUTY ELDER

Karen Hager

DUTY DEACON

Davi McDonald

AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY

Carlos Claros

NEW PIANO FOR THE MUSIC ROOM! - Lewinsville's Music Ministry acquired a recently rebuilt 1919 Mason & Hamlin AA Grand Piano for the Music Room. The new instrument will improve choir rehearsals by supporting each musical ensemble with a richer, in tune, and harmonious sound, better echoing the musicality of the choir. The new choir room piano will enable a practice that echoes sanctuary worship more closely and lead an inspiring and enriching weekly rehearsal for years to come. The new piano is made possible by the generous support of the Lewinsville Music Fund. Founded in 1987, Lewinsville's Music Fund strives to enhance and strengthen music ministry at Lewinsville through significant instrumental expenses, growth and improvements to the music program, and special music events. We are so thankful for the many gifts given by supporters of Lewinsville's Music Ministry to help further music as a mission of the Church to praise, inspire, and grow the Kingdom of God.

BLOOD DRIVE, APRIL 14, 2024, 7:45 AM – 12:15 PM, Lewinsville Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, Lower Level. Just one blood donation can save up to three lives and INOVA's inventory is at a critical low – please consider donating at Lewinsville's April 7th blood drive. INOVA Blood Services will be accepting donations at Lewinsville's Fellowship Hall on the lower level of the building. Masks are optional. Please bring a photo I.D. when you come to donate. Hydrate well before and after donating and refrain from strenuous activity directly after donating. Walk-ins are accepted, appointments highly encouraged. Register for an appointment by visiting our website.

Discover the heartwarming touch of our **Prayer Squares** - tiny treasures reminiscent of prayer shawls, conveniently sized for your pocket or purse. Crafted with love and adorned with a comforting cross, each square carries a heartfelt prayer note. Find them displayed in our narthex, inviting you to grasp a tangible reminder of God's love and compassion. Take one for yourself, and share the solace with a loved one.

Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday

March 28 7:30pm (*childcare available*)

Foot Washing (optional); Sacrament of the Lord's Supper; Stripping of the Church

The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey, preaching

"This is My Body, Broken for You"

Good Friday – Tenebrae Worship

March 29 Noon and 7:30pm (*childcare available at 7:30 service*)

Rev. Layne Brubaker, preaching

"He Descended into Hell"

Easter Day

March 31 – 6:30am Sunrise Service in the Lewinsville Cemetery

9:00am and 11:00am

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey, preaching

"Death Swallowed Up"

(childcare available at 9am and 11am services)

EASTER DECORATION FUND



We are looking forward to decorating the sanctuary and narthex for Easter and invite you to contribute to our Easter Decoration Fund this year by filling out the form below and put it in the offering plate, return it to the church office, or sign up on the web page, www.lewinsville.org.

All who contribute in memory or honor of loved ones will be listed in the Easter Sunday bulletin. Monies not used for Easter will be used for the Flower Fund throughout the year. The Flower Committee will purchase only enough flowers to decorate our Sanctuary and not one Easter lily for each contributor.

Checks (the suggested amount is \$75) should be made payable to Lewinsville Presbyterian Church and annotated "Easter Decoration Fund".

Forms and checks must be returned no later than TODAY, Sunday, March 24.

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