

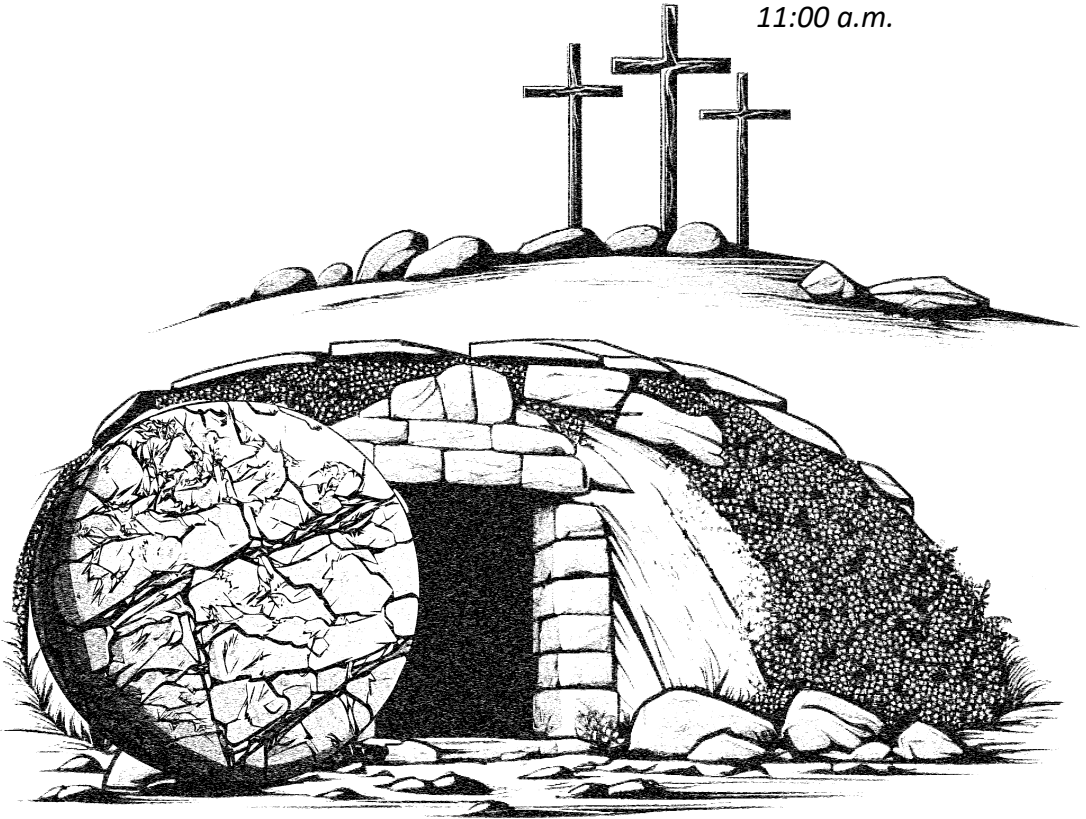
# Lewinsville *Presbyterian Church*

**SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY**

*April 7, 2024*

*2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter*

*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.



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\* *If you are able, please stand*

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**GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE**

*Poco Allegretto*

César Franck

\* **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 your ways.**

**Too often we are compelled by idols that distract us from and distort your image in ourselves and others. 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.**

**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  
**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** *John 20:19-31; 21:1-14* NT p. 115  
*The Word of the Lord.*  
**Thanks be to God!**

**SERMON** *What Do We Do Now* The Rev. Jen Dunfee

\* **HYMN** *I Come with Joy* GG 515  
DOVE OF PEACE

\* **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



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“Make a Gift” Button to give online.)

### OFFERTORY

*Mvt. IV Adagio from Symphony No. 5, Op. 42*

Charles-Marie Widor

\* **RESPONSE** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

GG 609

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.**

**Praise God, all creatures high and low.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Praise God in Jesus fully known:**

**Creator, Word, and Spirit one.**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

*All who profess faith in Jesus Christ are invited to the table.*

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*The Lord be with you.*

**And also with you.**

*Lift up your hearts.*

**We lift them to the Lord.**

*Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.*

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*...therefore we join with the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your name:*

**RESPONSE**

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

GG 552

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

*Prayer continues.*

#### **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.**

#### **THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND THE POURING OF THE CUP**

*The gifts of God for the people of God.*

**Alleluia! Amen.**

**RESPONSE**

*O Lamb of God*

GG 555

**O Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world;  
have mercy on us, Lamb of God, and grant us your peace.**

*Communion will be served at the front of the sanctuary. Ushers will indicate when each pew is to come forward to receive the bread and cup. After receiving the bread and cup, you may return to your pew using the side aisles. Those not desiring or unable to come forward may so indicate to the ushers, and the bread and cup will be brought to the pew so all may partake. Gluten-free crackers are available. Wine is in the outside ring; grape juice is on the inside. Please indicate your preference.*

**MUSIC DURING COMMUNION**

*Prière à Notre-Dame*

Léon Boëllmann

**PRAYER AFTER THE SUPPER**

**Holy God, giver of life, we thank you for raising us up  
and joining us together as one people, your people,  
through the body and blood of Jesus Christ.**

**As you have delivered us from death,  
use our lives to proclaim the good news of new life in Jesus Christ. Amen**

**SENDING**

**FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD**

\* **HYMN**

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

GG 267  
MADRID

\* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

\* **DISMISSAL**

*Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*

**Thanks be to God!**

**POSTLUDE**

*Carillon Op. 31, No. 21*

Louis Vierne

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*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.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF**

**APRIL 7, 2024**

ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY

John Nothaft

LAY READER

Pam Deese

DUTY ELDER

Scott Schlegel

DUTY DEACON

Tom Staeger

AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY

Daniel Howell and Carlos Claros

**THE FIRST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH**, the deacons ask you to consider a donation to the Deacons Fund. The fund is used by the pastors to help address temporary difficulties faced by the Lewinsville community, which includes principally members of the congregation and residents of LLR and Chesterbrook. The deacons try to keep a balance of around \$5500 on hand. Your donations replenish the Fund. Occasionally, if and when the funds significantly exceed \$5500, the deacons pass some of the funds to the Lewinsville Mission and Service Committee to support their important work with partner organizations locally and overseas. In the past month, the Deacon Fund has been used to help a neighbor facing eviction. Cash and check donations are received in the narthex after the worship service. Alternatively, donations can be made on the church website.

**CHRIST IS RISEN, HE IS RISEN INDEED!** At the dawn of the first Easter, an angel of the Lord descended from Heaven, stood by the empty tomb, and proclaimed, "He has been raised from the dead." As Easter breaks through, ending the season of Lent, the purple clouds of morning give way to the sun, symbolizing the light of the world.

In John 8:12, Jesus declared, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." Sunrise encompasses both the purple of Lent and the white of Easter, symbolizing Christ's triumph over death.

Alleluia! Praise the Lord for Christ's victory over death. The painting of the Cross, representing Jesus' crucifixion and resurrection, incorporates many Easter symbols. The Madonna Lilies, native to Israel and the Middle East since ancient times, symbolize the Trinity: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, all fully God. In the background, lilies of the field and budding trees signify new life, while the purple



clouds echo the dawn of Easter morning.

These beautiful banners, crafted by Michelle Witt Gottke for Easter 2024, serve as a reminder of the joyous resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

**BLOOD DRIVE, APRIL 14, 2024, 7:45 AM – 12:15 PM, Lewinsville Presbyterian Church, Fellowship Hall, Lower Level.** Register for an appointment at: <https://bit.ly/Lewinsville0414> 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.

**WOLF TRAP - THIS SUMMER AND MORE!** Arvind Manocha, President of Wolf Trap, will be the guest of honor at the Second Saturday Set's April gathering, **April 13, at 6:00.** What's coming up? What's going on at everyone's favorite summer venue? Now's your chance to find out! We'll meet at Janet and Jerry Kohlenberger's home in McLean (1087 Langley Fork Lane) for a potluck dinner. Parking is limited so think Carpool ... valet parking will be available. Call Janet and Jerry (H: 703-847-4388, C: 703-507-1818, or email [glkohlen@gmail.com](mailto:glkohlen@gmail.com)) right away to reserve your seat for this special occasion and tell them what you're bringing for the dinner. Bring your own favorite adult beverage. All are welcome. Casual dress ... and you probably won't have to sit on the lawn!

**RING IN SPRING! CHANCEL BELL CONCERT APRIL 13 AT 4:00 PM HERNDON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** - Lewinsville's Chancel Bell Choir will perform at Virginia Bronze's 'Ring in Spring!' showcase on **Saturday, April 13, 2024 at 4pm**, at Herndon United Methodist Church. They will be joined by 10 other bell choirs in the area. Come listen to grand and glorious bell music performed by over 100 bell ringers!

**MCLEAN INTERFAITH COMMUNITY CHOIR** - Lewinsville will host the McLean Interfaith Community Choir on **Sunday, May 5th at 7:00 pm**. There will be weekly rehearsals at

Lewinsville on Saturdays from 4:00-5:00 pm in April starting on April 13. Please contact John Nothaft if you'd like to join in this community building event!

**CHANCEL CHOIR SINGS WITH TRINITY PRESBYTERIAN ARLINGTON, APRIL 28TH AND MAY 5TH -**

Lewinsville will join forces with Trinity Presbyterian Arlington's Chancel Choir to sing a 'Samba Mass' by Bob Chilcott. Lewinsville's choir will sing at Trinity Presbyterian on Sunday, April 28th. Trinity's choir will sing at Lewinsville on Sunday, May 5th. Please contact John Nothaft if you'd like to join in this festive worship service.

**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.

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