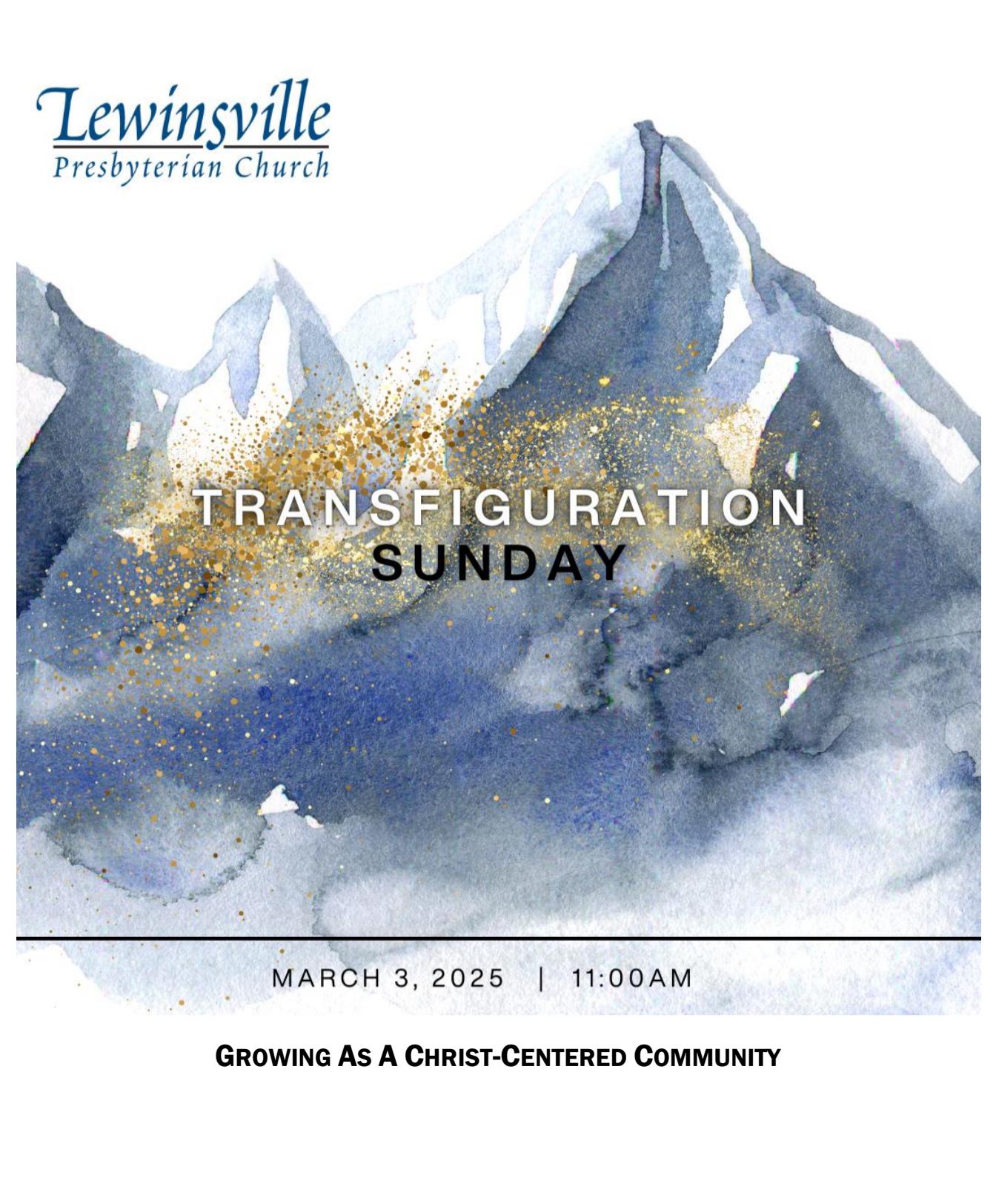


Lewinsville
Presbyterian Church



TRANSFIGURATION
SUNDAY

MARCH 3, 2025 | 11:00AM

GROWING AS A CHRIST-CENTERED COMMUNITY

Lewinsville Presbyterian Church:
Growing as a Christ-centered community
Of Belonging
Transformation
and Joy
So that we become more like Jesus.

At Lewinsville, we want to put Christ at the center of everything we do. When we consciously and intentionally put Christ at the center, other things fall into their proper place. The purpose for putting Christ at the center is so that, day by day, we will become more like Jesus. We fix our attention on him, and then he re-shapes and re-forms us, bit by bit, in his likeness. More and more, we will love like him, forgive like him, serve the poor like him, and be vulnerably present with each other like him.

This journey of becoming more like Jesus is one of great **joy**, even in the midst of loss and sorrow. It is a journey of complete and utter **transformation**, in which our hearts and lives are changed from the inside out. And it is a journey in which each one of us discovers that we **belong to God**, in the deepest ways possible, and that nothing can ever change that.

Worship is a primary activity in which we experience all of this. God's loving grace is poured out 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.
- Nursery care is available downstairs for our very youngest children.
- Hearing Assistance devices are available from the ushers or the audio/video station at the rear of the sanctuary.
- Enlarged-print *Glory to God* hymnals are available from the ushers.

During the coming year, our hope is that each person who participates in the ministries of this congregation will become more like Jesus, and that we as a community of faith become more like Jesus together. Along this path, we will be transformed from the inside out, we will become agents of joy in our hurting world, and we will discover that each one of us belongs to God, now and forever. Let's embark on this journey together.



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THE LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
March 2, 2025

* *If you are able, please stand*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE *Andante Tranquillo* from Sonata No.3 in A Major Op. 65
Felix Mendelssohn

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

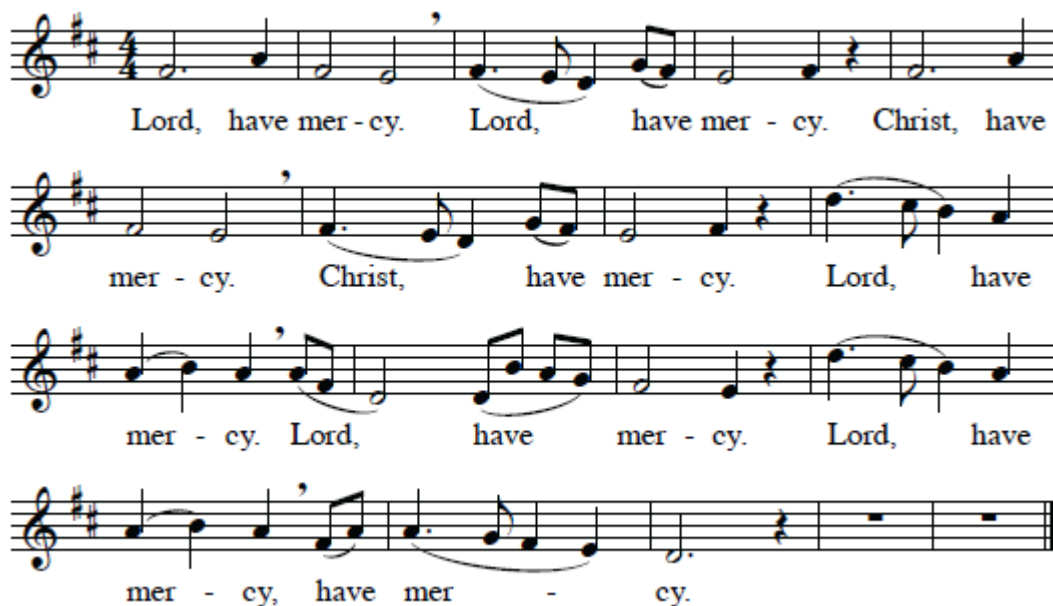
The light of Christ shines among us!
We are gathered in wonder and praise.
On the mountaintop, truth was revealed.
In this place, we listen and follow.
Let us worship with joy and awe!
Christ is here—radiant and holy!

* **HYMN** *Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies* GTG 662
RATISBON

CALL TO CONFESSION

Silence for personal confession

Holy and Loving God,
We confess that we are often blind to Your glory.
You shine around us, yet we fail to see.
You speak, but we do not always listen.
You call us to transformation, but we cling to what is familiar.
Forgive us, O God.
Open our eyes to Your presence,
Open our ears to Your voice,
And open our hearts to be changed by Your love.
Through Christ, who is revealed in glory, we pray. Amen.



ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

Gloria

Glo-ry, glo-ry to God in the high-est, and on earth peace to
 peo-ple of good will. We praise you, we bless you,
 we a-dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you thanks for
 your great glo-ry, Lord God, heav-en-ly King, O
 God, al-might-y Fa-ther. Lord Je-sus Christ,
 On-ly Be-got-ten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God,
 Son of the Fa-ther, you take a-way the sins of the world, have
 mer-cy on us; you take a-way the sins of the world, re-
 ceive our prayer; you are seat-ed at the right
 hand of the Fa-ther, have mer-cy on us. For you a-
 lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ,
 with the Ho-ly Spir-it, in the glo-ry of God the
 Fa-ther. A-men. A-men.

* **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 are welcome to stay in the Sanctuary during the sermon. After the children's meditation, children ages PK-elementary school also have the option of leaving for Sermon Stories. Pastor Jen or a member of the Sermon Stories team will lead the children to Room 102B. Children attending Sermon Stories will return to the Sanctuary later in the service.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE	<i>Exodus 34:29-35</i>	OT p.81
	<i>Luke 9:28-43</i>	NT p.69

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON	<i>The Mountain Top</i>	The Rev. Layne Brubaker
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* HYMN	<i>O Wondrous Sight, O Vision Fair</i>	GTG 189 DEO GRACIAS
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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

*Dazzling as the Sun
Dazzling as the sun,
the face of Jesus on the mountain,
like the face of Moses
coming down from Sinai
ready, strong to lead his people
out of bondage into freedom,
to the promised land.*

Gwyneth Walker

*Transfigured for disciples' eyes,
God's servant who would suffer
as Isaiah prophesied.
Revealed in garments glist'ning white,
the glorious Son of Man
whom Daniel had foretold.*

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*Then the cloud of presence,
then the voice of witness:
"This is my beloved Son
on whom my favor rests.
Listen to him." Hear him!*

*Gazing on the Lord
by radiant light transfigured,
see the pattern of our lives:
cross embraced to Easter splendor.
Claim the Gospel vision wondrous:
we are God's beloved ones.
Claim the transformation promised:
destiny of glory!*

*** RESPONSE**

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

GTG 607

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore; Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.**

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

THE INVITATION

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.

Prayer is offered.

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

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of
hosts. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly
Lord God of hosts. Heav - en and earth are
full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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



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 bread are not available. Wine is in the outside ring; grape juice is on the inside. Please indicate your preference.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION	<i>I Come With Joy</i>	GTG 515
	<i>Lord, We Have Come at Your Own Invitation</i>	GTG 503

PRAYER AFTER THE SUPPER
 Gracious God, we give you thanks for this feast of your goodness and love.
 As you have nourished us in Jesus Christ, send us forth to feed and serve others,
 sharing your peace with the whole community and showing your faithful love in the
 world; through Jesus Christ, the Bread of Life for all. Amen.

S E N D I N G

FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

- * **HYMN** *The Church's One Foundation* GTG 321
AURELIA
- * **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**
- * **DISMISSAL**
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *Grand Plein Jeu on Deo Gracias* Mary Beth Bennett

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

Pastor Scott and Pastor Jen are both away this weekend on vacation.



Welcome to our Guest Musician! Annelise Hartlage is a sophomore at James Madison High School in Vienna. Annelise is a member of the 2024-25 Potomac Organ Institute, an organ scholarship program sponsored by the Washington, D.C., area chapters of the American Guild of Organists. In previous summers, Annelise studied piano at Lutheran Summer Music, held at Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana, and attended the Pipe Organ Encounter at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts, Winston-Salem, North Carolina. This summer, Annelise will study organ at the Interlochen Center for the Arts, Interlochen, Michigan. Apart from music, Annelise competes on her school debate team and is a member of the Student Government Association. Annelise also plays tennis (go Warhawks!), volunteers at church, and helps teach Korean language to elementary school students.

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.

Widely performed throughout the country, the music of American composer **Gwyneth Walker** (1947-) is beloved by performers and audiences alike for its energy, beauty, reverence, drama, and humor. Dr. Gwyneth Walker is a graduate of Brown University and the Hartt School of Music. She holds B.A., M.M. and D.M.A. degrees in Music Composition. A former faculty member of the Oberlin College Conservatory, she resigned from academic employment in 1982 in order to pursue a career as a full-time composer. For nearly 30 years she lived on a dairy farm in Braintree, Vermont, before returning to live in her childhood hometown of New Canaan, Connecticut. Gwyneth Walker is a proud resident of New England. She was the recipient of the 2000 "Lifetime Achievement Award" from the Vermont Arts Council and the 2018 "Alfred Nash Patterson Lifetime Achievement Award" from Choral Arts New England.

Dr. Mary Beth Bennett (1954-) is an internationally recognized performer, composer and improviser living in Richmond, Virginia. She serves on the music faculty of the University of Richmond and is Organist of Second Baptist Church. Having previously held various positions in Washington, D.C., including at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception and as Ceremonial Organist for the United States Government, she holds degrees from the Eastman School of Music, Stetson University, the Staatliche Hochschule für Musik (Cologne, Germany), and the University of Southern California. The winner of numerous awards in performance and composition, she has received commissions in multiple genres from the American Guild of Organists, National Association of Pastoral Musicians, Association of Anglican Musicians, The Paul VI Institute for the Arts, Millennia Consort and various churches, chamber ensembles and private parties. She maintains a studio of improvisation students and has served as a judge for the AGO National Competition in Organ Improvisation. Active as a clinician in improvisation, she has presented seminars for the AGO, AAM, NPM as well as the Smithsonian Institution.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF
MARCH 3, 2025**

The red rosebud in the sanctuary is in celebration of the birth of **Avery Elizabeth Cohn**, daughter of Mike and Elizabeth (Liz) Cohn, little sister of Grayson, granddaughter of Bill and Lori Gray. She was born on February 17, 2025.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God in memory of **Nance Cheny Kidwell**, with love always, Lynn and Jason.

ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY

Chancel Choir, Annelise Hartlage

LAY READER

Cathy Saunders

DUTY ELDER

Betty Douglass

DUTY DEACON

Tom Staeger

AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY

Rich Tullos, Aperture Media

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 Fund covers emergency financial needs for church and community members, including rental/housing, medical and food support assistance. Cash and check donations are received in the narthex after the worship service. Alternatively, donations can be made on the church website. This month the Deacons Fund supported a person with an emergency car repair bill.

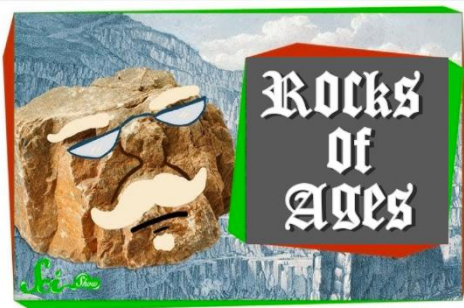


EARTH CARE REFLECTION-ACTION CALENDAR

The LPC Earth Care team is recommending for our use “Tread Lightly for Lent”, a daily reflection-action calendar produced by Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Presbyterian Mission (Presbyterian Hunger Program). Along with Lewinsville’s Lenten Devotional Booklet and Lewinsville’s Mission and Service Lenten Challenge, the calendar can serve as a helpful guide for contemplation, prayer and actions. As stated on the calendar: “The Presbyterian Hunger Program accompanies people as they move toward sustainable choices that restore and protect all of God’s children and Creation. We hope that this Lenten calendar will be the beginning of actions intended to create more mindful behaviors throughout the year”.

Download "Tread Lightly for Lent" or from the Lewinsville website.

<https://pcusa.org/sites/default/files/2025-01/2025%20Lent%20Calendar.pdf>



ROCKS OF AGES: FRIDAY MARCH 28

SCAMS AND HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF

We will be meeting at the church in **Room 102** for lunch and a program. Fairfax County Consumer Affairs will present on Friday, March 28, 2025. Consumer Specialists Kim Vallejos and Prescott Barbash will lead the session plan to arrive by 11:30 a.m.

Website: <https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/older-adults/fairfax-county-silver-shield-anti-scam-campaign>

Please RSVP to Bill Black at 703-448-5614 wmiblack@gmail.com or Wendy Maiwurm at 703-622-1659 wmaiwurm@gmail.com.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

ASH WEDNESDAY DROP-IN ASHES FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES:

The noon and 7:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday worship services on March 5th may be during school or bedtime for families who are interested in receiving ashes with their children. Between 6:00-7:00, ashes will be available in the Narthex for any children and families that would like to “drop-in” to receive ashes.

INFORMATION ABOUT SUNDAY SCHOOL AND MUSIC FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH:

At Lewinsville, children can grow their faith and their love of music on Sundays through worship and special classes for children. At 9:30 a.m., there is Sunday School for ages PK-12th grade. Music for PK-2nd takes place as part of that 9:30-10:30 time. At 4:30 p.m., there are music and bells classes for children grades 3rd-12th. Youth Group, for 6th-12th grade is Sunday evenings from 6:00-8:00 p.m. There are also special monthly programs for babies and toddlers, and for “what’s in my Bible” classes for elementary-aged kids. For more information, contact Pastor Jen at jdunfee@lewinsville.org.



The next **“Five Guys” dinner/small group/Bible Study is March 10th**. Mark your calendars for the next Five Guys night on Monday, March 10th at 6:30 p.m. in Room 102A. The “guy” from the Bible will be Jonah, a reluctant prophet of Israel who must share God’s word in Ninevah, but really doesn’t want to. Jonah is less than half the length of Daniel (the “guy” from the February session) if participants are interested in reading in advance. However, these dinner Bible studies are designed to be accessible to anyone with any level of bible background.

THURSDAY ACTS/EPHESIANS/THESSALONIANS UPDATE - NOW EVERY-OTHER WEEK. This small group Bible study, for those in their 50s/60s (and those younger and older in life transitions) will meet on the following days: **March 6, 20, April 3, 17, May 1, 15.** This small group explores the unique challenges and blessings of mid-life through an hour of Bible study, adjourning at 8:00 for a local bar or restaurant. No need to have attended in the past to attend now. Contact Pastor Jen at jdunfee@lewinsville.org for more information.

IN THE BEGINNING, A LOOK AT GENESIS CONCLUDES NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 9TH. In the last three weeks, the class is exploring the family of Abraham, and the lives of Isaac and Jacob. The final week will look at Joseph. This class, led by Rob Hunter, has looked at different interpretations of the messages of Genesis to see where it is attempting to lead its readers. All are welcome to join this class at any time, no prior knowledge or attendance needed. This call will be offered by Zoom as well. **Room 102A**

A DISCUSSION OF THE GREAT DIVORCE, LED BY DEBBIE LEAVENS, CONCLUDES NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 9TH. The discussion of themes of this book concludes next week with final thoughts on the book and, if needed, drawing upon other writings and speeches of C.S. Lewis. Participants have enjoyed spirited discussions of the challenging topics in this book. Any are welcome to join for the last class, no prior attendance needed. **Room 102B**

MARCH 16TH ADULT EDUCATION SPEAKER: LEARNING ABOUT THE MORMON FAITH FROM OUR NEIGHBORS. Representatives from a local Mormon congregation will visit Lewinsville to share their faith and answer questions. This presentation at 9:30 a.m. will be the only Adult Education course that morning, meeting in **Room 102A.**

LENTEN STUDIES SAVE THE DATE: Dr. Christine Yoder of Columbia Theological Seminary returns to present the 2025 Lenten Studies titled "The Book of Isaiah: Prophecy for Perilous Times." The four presentations, each looking at a different aspect of prophecy as found in Isaiah, will be: Sunday, March 23rd at 9:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (light dinner at 6:00, presentation at 6:30). Monday March 24th and Tuesday March 25th at 7:30 p.m.



CHILI DINNER AND COOK-OFF CONTEST, FRIDAY MARCH 21ST, 6:00 P.M. IN THE YOUTH ROOM: Celebrate the beginning of March Madness with a chili cook-off, two games on the TVs, bracket bingo, pop-a-shot for kids and the young at heart, service project for Lenten challenge, and of course delicious food! For extra fun, wear a Jersey of your favorite team. Look for a sign-up list to bring chili beginning March 1st.

MISSION AND SERVICE

CALIFORNIA WILDFIRE RELIEF - Donate to Presbyterian Disaster Assistance
<https://pcusa.org/donate/dr000165-us-wildfires>



The Refugee Resettlement Team (RRT) is incredibly grateful to the congregation for your swiftness in helping us prepare for our new refugee family- the M-Family. We recently completed a full apartment set up. We will keep the congregation updated as we learn details about the M-Family and how you can help. If you would like to support our efforts you can donate on the church website (scan the QR code). If you have questions, contact Betty Douglass

(ebdouglass22046@gmail.com), Karen Steel (adriankarensteel@gmail.com), or Pastor Layne (LBrubaker@lewinsville.org).



MISSION AND SERVICE LENTEN CHALLENGE

Next Sunday (March 9th) the Mission and Service Ministry will have Lenten Challenge booklets available for the congregation. These booklets will provide daily reflections and practical ways to embrace our Lenten theme of *Living Simply* while making a meaningful impact in our community. Be sure to pick up a copy and join us in this journey of faith, service, and spiritual renewal!



THE SMP PLANNING TEAM is excited about our upcoming Summer Mission Project that will take us to Charleston, West Virginia! We will be partnering with YouthWorks and Habitat for Humanity to serve this vibrant and historic community. Deadline to register is April 1st. SMP 2025 will be June 22nd- June 28th. Register Now

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