

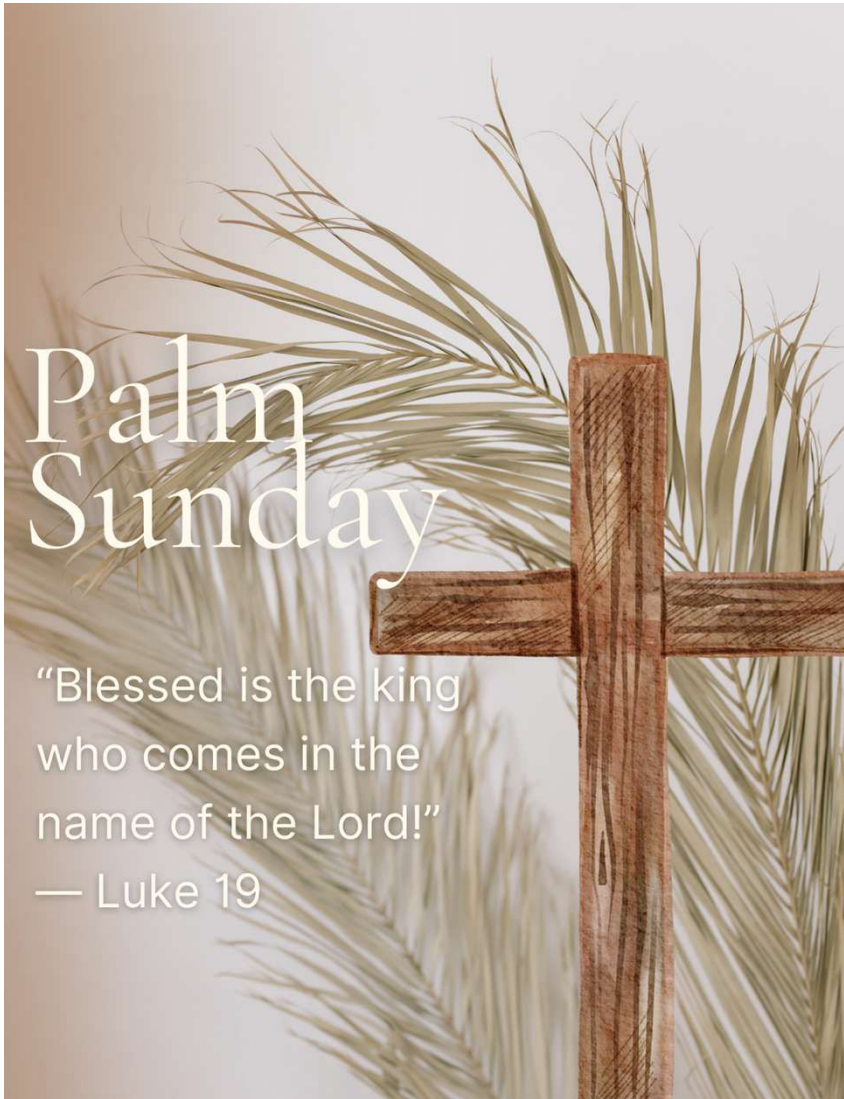
Lewinsville
Presbyterian Church

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

April 13, 2025

Palm/Passion Sunday

11:00 a.m.



*Palm
Sunday*

“Blessed is the king
who comes in the
name of the Lord!”
— Luke 19

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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* *If you are able, please stand*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

O Sacred Head Now Wounded

Arr. Arnold B. Sherman

* **PROCLAMATION OF THE ENTRANCE INTO JERUSALEM** *Luke 19:29-38*

. . . the whole multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully with a loud voice for all the deeds of power that they had seen, saying, "Hosanna!

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

Hosanna!

Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David!

Peace in heaven,

and glory in the highest heaven! Hosanna!"

* **HYMN**

All Glory, Laud, and Honor
(the congregation is encouraged
to wave your palm branches)

GG 196

VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

Silence

O God, we sing and praise you with gladness when we are among others who praise you, too. But in times of stress, we can seek scapegoats to be targets for our anger. We can betray those we love and who have loved us, and we can turn against you – too busy to seek you, too selfish to obey you. Your mercy and compassion are without bounds, O God, for you forgive us again and again. You restore us to a right spirit and bring us together to worship you again. God of steadfast love, forgive us for our sin, and teach us how to be steadfast like you. Through Jesus Christ we pray, Amen.

RESPONSE *Kyrie Eleison (Lord, Have Mercy)*
Kyrie, kyrie eleison (repeat), Christe, Christe eleison (repeat), Kyrie, kyrie eleison (repeat)

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, hear and believe the good news that comes from God.
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* **RESPONSE** *In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful* GG 654
In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God; do not be afraid. Lift up your voices!
The Lord is near. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

* **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.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COMMUNICATIONS AND LIVESTREAM MANAGER

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

FOLLOWING CHRIST INTO THE WORLD

(After the announcements, children may leave to explore the story of Holy Week in Sermon Stories)

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

THE PASSION NARRATIVE *Luke 22:7-22* NT p. 86

* **HYMN** *An Upper Room Did Our Lord Prepare* GG 202
O WALY WALY

SCRIPTURE *Luke 22:23-42* NT p. 86

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

SCRIPTURE*Luke 22:43-62*

NT p. 87

*** HYMN***O Sacred Head, Now Wounded*

GG 221

PASSION CHORALE

SCRIPTURE*Luke 22:63-23:33*

NT p. 88

“Now the men who were holding Jesus began to mock him and beat him; they also blindfolded him and kept asking him,

“Prophesy! Who is it that struck you?”

“...When day came, the assembly of the elders of the people, both chief priests and scribes, gathered together, and they brought him to their council. They said,

“If you are the Messiah, tell us.”

“ . . . But from now on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.” All of them said,

“Are you, then, the Son of God?”

He said to them, “You say that I am.”

“What further testimony do we need? We have heard it ourselves from his own lips!”
Then the assembly rose as a body and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

“We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor, and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.”

“...Then Pilate said to the chief priests and the crowds, “I find no basis for an accusation against this man.” But they were insistent and said,

“He stirs up the people by teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to this place.”

“...I will therefore have him flogged and release him.”

Then they all shouted out together,

“Away with this fellow! Release Barabbas for us!”

(This was a man who had been put in prison for an insurrection that had taken place in the city, and for murder). Pilate, wanting to release Jesus, addressed them again; but they kept shouting,

“Crucify, crucify him!” ...

*** HYMN***When I Survey the Wondrous Cross*

GG 224

ROCKINGHAM

SCRIPTURE*Luke 23:34-43*

NT p. 89

“...And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the

leaders scoffed at him, saying:

“He saved others, let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!”

The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying,

“If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” ...

HYMN

Jesus, Remember Me (remain seated; sing twice)

GG 227

REMEMBER ME

SCRIPTURE

Luke 23:44-56

NT p. 89

*** 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.**

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OFFERTORY

Lift Up Your Heads, O Ye Gates

William Matthias

*Lift up your heads, O ye gates,
And be ye lifted up, ye everlasting doors,
And the king of glory shall come in.*

*Who is this king of glory?
The Lord strong and mighty,
The Lord mighty in battle.*

*** RESPONSE**

Ah, Holy Jesus (vs. 5)

GG 218

**Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,
Think on thy pity and love unswerving,
not my deserving.**

HERZLIEBSTER JESU

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

*** CLOSING HYMN**

Go to Dark Gethsemane

GG 220

REDHEAD 76

STRIPPING OF THE CHURCH

Psalm 22

(Please depart in silence)

ACTIVE IN TODAY’S SERVICE:

MUSIC MINISTRY

Chancel Choir and Chancel Bells

LAY READER

John Thomas, Cathy Gaugler, Pam Deese

DUTY ELDER

Alan Kohler

DUTY DEACON

Judy Herseth

AUDIO/VISUAL MINISTRY

Aperture Media

ECO-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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 13, 2025

THE RED ROSEBUD IN THE SANCTUARY TODAY – is in celebration of the birth of Colette Crawford Russo, born March 28th to Caroline and Michael Russo. Proud grandparents are Bill and Lori Gray.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING – is an annual special offering that extends God’s love to those in need around the world. Programs supported through this offering help to provide access to clean water, sustainable food sources and education. One Great Hour of Sharing provides initial response services through ongoing community support to those affected by disaster and oppression. In Peter 4:10, we are charged with: “As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace”. Together with One Great Hour of Sharing, we can answer that call to raise our neighbors up and surround them in God’s grace and love.

We will receive funds for the 2025 One Great Hour of Sharing through Easter Sunday, April 20th. [CLICK HERE](#) to donate online through the Lewinsville website. If you prefer, you may also mail a check to the church office, or use the One Great Hour of Sharing envelope in the pew rack. Please annotate that it’s for the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. We appreciate your support, as will the deserving recipients.

STEPHEN MINISTRY celebration lunch! Today following worship, all current and former Stephen Ministers are invited to a lunch to celebrate and discuss Stephen Ministry at Lewinsville. Room 102 A.

Introduction of New Members

Cathy and Bart Barre (pronounced Barry)

Cathy grew up in Oklahoma and Bart in New Jersey. They are college sweethearts and long-term residents of McLean. They have two children in graduate school and enjoy time at national parks and the Jersey shore. Cathy and Bart are transferring membership from another Presbyterian church in the area, and have been worshipping with us for over a year.

Mary Garrison

I moved from Austin, Texas to the NV area twenty-five years ago. I have been a Hospice nurse for many years. My husband Mac is a retired Navy officer and DOD contractor. We have a blended family of three children and two grandchildren.

Ashley Nellis

Ashley Nellis and her daughters Ruth and Twyla have lived in Pimmit Hills for almost 10 years. They recently started coming to LPC and quickly felt at home here. Twyla was baptised in the church in March, Ashley joined after, and Ruth is thoroughly enjoying being part of the youth group here.

Kelsey Partin

Kelsey lives in Vienna, VA with her husband Dan, two boys Hank (5) and Teddy (2), and dog Boo. She works for a tech company in the clean energy space and loves traveling, reading, entertaining friends, and exploring new restaurants. Kelsey grew up in Roanoke, VA and where she was an active member of Second Presbyterian Church.

Sandy Stitt and Wayne Forbes

Sandy Stitt is a native of the McLean area and first attended LPC in 1968. She graduated George Mason University in 1989 with a B.A. in English and worked as a technical writer and editor. Sandy loves animals, books, Americana and country music, Broadway musicals, harmony singing, the Washington Commanders, and figure skating.

Stephen "Wayne" Forbes grew up in the Norfolk/VA Beach area and attended Norview High and Old Dominion University. Wayne studied piano for many years and worked as an art director for Jones Printing Services in Chesapeake, VA.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES

Maundy Thursday (April 17) - Dinner Church Worship at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall
Communion and Foot-Washing

Good Friday (April 18) - **Tenebrae Service**
12 noon and 7:30 pm (livestreamed at 7:30pm)
Scripture: The Passion Narrative from the Gospel of John
Sermon Title: "Denial and Death"
Rev. Peter Manning preaching

Community Resurrection Story with Easter Eggs!
Saturday, April 19
10:00 (Younger Kids) 11:00 (Older Kids)

Easter Sunday, April 20
6:30 a.m. **Sunrise Easter Worship** in Cemetery
Rev. Layne Brubaker preaching

9am and 11:00 am, **Easter Worship**, (livestreamed at 11am)
Celebration of the Lord's Supper with Brass Quintet and Tympani
Scripture: Isaiah 65:17-25; Luke 24:1-12
Sermon Title: "New Creation"
Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey, preaching

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DIRECTOR OF MUSIC MINISTRIES
CHILDREN'S MUSIC SPECIALIST

The Entire Congregation of Lewinsville Church
The Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey
The Rev. Layne B. Brubaker
The Rev. Jen Dunfee
The Rev. Peter Manning

John Nothhaft
Evan Ayars

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Sue Thomas

Karen Siple*

Judy Herseth
Davi McDonald (co - moderator)*
Tom Staeger (co- moderator)

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