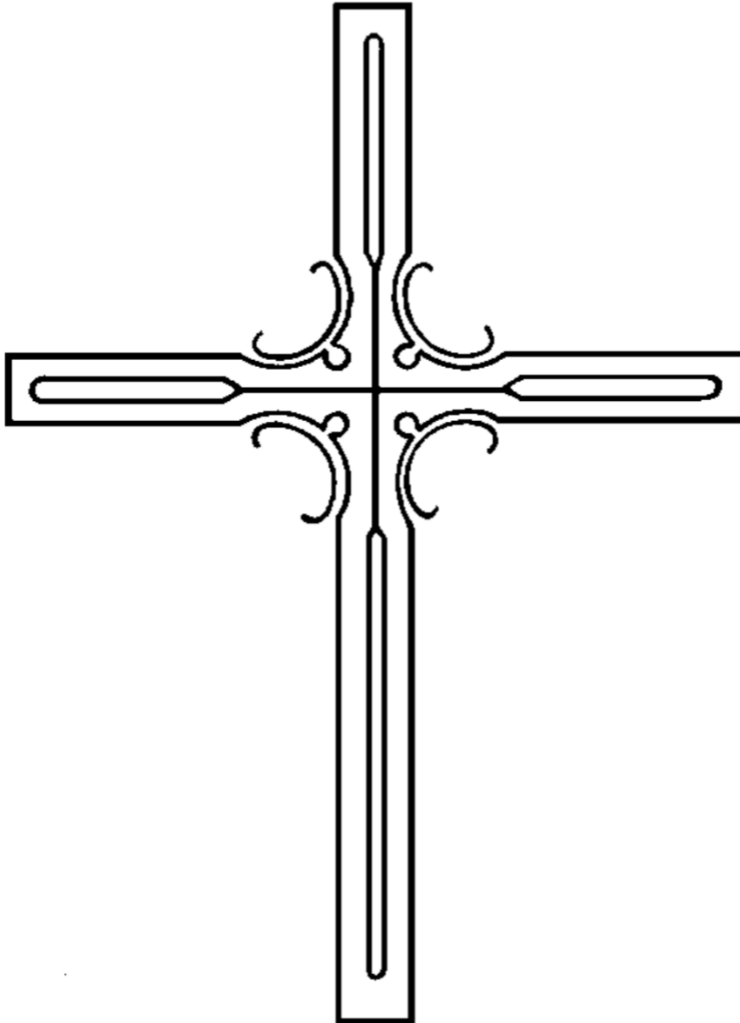




Service For The Lord's Day
Lewinsville Presbyterian Church

Fifth Sunday After Pentecost

June 28, 2026 at 11 a.m.



ABIDING. PRUNING. BEARING.

Welcome to worship at Lewinsville Presbyterian Church! We are so glad you have joined us, and we hope that worship will strengthen, comfort, challenge, and inspire you in your own journey of faith.

As individuals and a congregation, we want to *bear fruit for the kingdom of God*.

“Bearing fruit” is different from being successful, from impressing other people, from making ourselves feel good, from having people like us, and other tempting goals that we might be inclined to aim at.

“Bearing fruit” is about allowing God to grow something through us. Things like - *community, mercy, faithfulness, compassion, justice, hospitality, trust*.

In John 15:2 Jesus teaches us, “Every branch that bears fruit my Father prunes so that it will bear more fruit.”

“Bearing fruit” involves *intentional and attentive cultivation*. Gardeners are well aware that one must prune a vine, in order for it to bear fruit well. There may be things that have accumulated in our lives, as individuals and as a congregation, that are no longer giving life, but to which we may have grown accustomed and comfortable. We may need to prune those things together. This pruning is always for the sake of bearing more fruit.

Worship is a central activity in which we participate in God’s mission of bearing fruit for the world. God’s loving grace is poured out upon all people, from the youngest among us to the older. We are delighted 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, we hope that your participation and involvement in the mission and ministry of Lewinsville will help you to bear fruit in your life!



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Programs of the Presbyterian Church (USA)

THE LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

June 28, 2026

* *If you are able, please stand*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Prelude on Rhosymedre

Ralph Vaughan Williams
(1872-1958)

* **CALL TO WORSHIP**

The Holy Spirit has given us life and pours on us the power to become new people.

The winds of the Spirit have given us breath, and the fire of the Spirit has enkindled within us a love for God and each other.

We come here in faithfulness and are ready for the surprises that God's Spirit brings.

We open our lives to the presence of God and trust God's promise that we can live new lives of freedom and grace. Let us worship God!

* **HYMN**

All Are Welcome

GTG 301
TWO OAKS

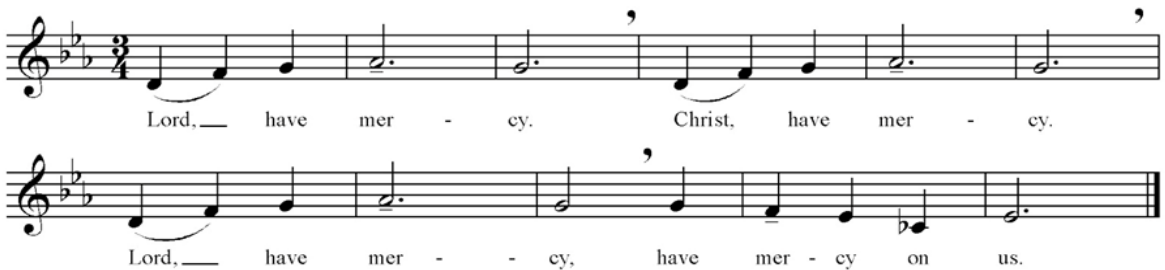
CALL TO CONFESSION

Silence for personal confession

Ever-loving, ever-living God, you have given us life itself, and you have asked us to be life-giving people in your name. But we, in turn, have cared more about ourselves and our comfort than about the needs of our neighbors and the world. There are people who are left out of our thoughts and prayers, because our minds and hearts are too crowded with all the things that will make us feel self-satisfied. People on our streets go hungry, because we make sure that we are full before thinking about them. God, give us the purpose that you gave to people of Jesus' time: to be faithful disciples in your care. Through Christ we pray. Amen.

RESPONSE

Lord Have Mercy



ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

* **RESPONSE**

Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me

GTG 582

GLORY TO GOD

**Glory to God, whose goodness shines on me,
And to the Son, whose grace has pardoned me,
And to the Spirit, whose love has set me free.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

**World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
World without end, without end. Amen.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. 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.

T H E W O R D

CHILDREN'S MEDITATION

There are no Sermon Stories during the summer. There are worship bags and children's Bibles available for children in the Sanctuary, and Bible story toys and activities in the coat room outside the Sanctuary doors. Children will return to their seats after Children's meditation.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Genesis 29:31-35

OT p. 26

Genesis 30:1-8; 22-24

OT pp. 26, 27

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Deepening Relationships: Oppression, Rivalry, and Grace in the Family

Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey

* HYMN

Will You Come and Follow Me

GTG 726

KELVINGROVE

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

A Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA, 1983)

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. The same Spirit who inspired the prophets and apostles rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the church.

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

** Please sign and pass The Red Hand of Greeting Pad*



(Scan this QR code to donate or go to www.lewinsville.org and click the "Make a Gift" Button to give online.)

*All who are thirsty and weary of strife,
Come to the waters of grace.
All who are wounded and winnowed by life,
Come to the waters of grace.*

*All who are covered by dust from the day,
Jesus is waiting to wash it away.
Come be refreshed as you learn to obey,
Come to the waters of grace.*

*All who are hiding in night and in soul,
Come to the waters of grace.
Those who are injured and long to be whole,
Come to the waters of grace.*

*All who have sinned and have fallen away,
Those who have wandered like sheep gone astray,
Come be refreshed as you learn to obey,
Come to the waters of grace.*

*Come to the waters sparkling with love,
Wash in the fountains that flow from above.
Come to the waters, come take your place,
Come to the waters of grace.*

*Come to the fountains that flow evermore,
Come to the waters of grace.
Jesus is waiting to heal and restore,
Come to the waters of grace.*

*Vessels of earth that are shattered today,
Jesus the Potter won't cast you away.
Love can redeem and repair broken clay,
Come to the waters of grace.*

* **RESPONSE** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

GTG 607
OLD HUNDREDTH

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

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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** *Lord, Make Us More Holy*

GTG 313
LORD, MAKE US MORE HOLY

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **DISMISSAL**

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

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.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God by Bettie McElroy in memory of her parents, William and Margaret Witherspoon.

ACTIVE IN TODAY’S SERVICE

Music Ministry	Soprano Alto Tenor Bass Pickup Choir, Michael Lodico
Lay Reader	Linton Brooks
Duty Elder	Toni Harrington
Duty Deacon	Harriett Hopkins
Audio/Visual Ministry	Kristen Kohler /Carlos Claros (Aperture Media)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF
JUNE 21, 2026
GENERAL**

Church Office Closed for Independence Day

Friday, July 3, 2026

In observance of the Fourth of July, the church office will be closed on Friday, July 3, 2026.

Celebrating Pride Month at Lewinsville

During the month of June, Lewinsville celebrates Pride month and the inclusion of LGBTQ persons in the life of the church. We do this out of our conviction that LGBTQ persons are to be included in every level of the church's life and ministry. We joyfully recognize that the church would not be as strong as it is without the leadership and contributions of LGBTQ persons, and our denomination, the PCUSA, has affirmed this conviction in decisions at the General Assembly.

Support the Summer Mission Project '26

June 28-July 4, 2026

A Lewinsville team of youth and adult leaders are headed to the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina for the annual Summer Mission Project (SMP.) The team will serve, learn, worship and learn in an area hard-hit by Hurricane Helene last year.

You can support SMP even if you are not in the van. First, **follow our Facebook and Instagram pages** where the team will post daily updates throughout the week. Second, **pray for us daily.** The team will share their stories during the Sunday, July 5 worship service.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CHILDREN

Save the Dates: Upcoming Family 4F Events – More Details to Come

- Sunday, July 12, 1-3 p.m. Sports and subs at Dunfee Sharps, co-hosted with the Lindlaws
- Sunday, August 2, 1-3 p.m., Pool party at Gibby pool, hosted by Andrew and Elisha Gibby
- Saturday, September 12, 2-4 p.m., Bike ride and water ice, hosted by Grantz family

Want to host your own Family 4F or to learn more? Contact Pastor Jen.

YOUTH

Register for Montreat Youth Conference

July 19-25, 2026

All youth who have completed 7th grade are welcome to register for Montreat Youth Conference. It is a week of faith formation and fun in the Blue Ridge Mountains of North Carolina. Reach out to Pastor Layne with any questions. Register with this QR Code.



ADULT EDUCATION

No Adult Education Classes on Sunday July 5

There will be no adult education classes on Sunday, July 5, 2026. Please plan to join us for SMP Sunday worship, when our summer sermon series, Deepening Relationships continues and the Summer Mission Team will share stories of their trip to Blue Ridge, North Carolina.

Journey Toward Justice Book Study - led by Bruce Douglass

Sundays, July 12-August 2, 2026, 9:30 a.m.

Doing justice is a common Biblical theme, and there are passages (Micah 6:8) that suggest it is central to Godly living. But what exactly does that mean? Does the Bible offer a coherent view of the nature of justice? If so, how is it related to other Biblical themes, such as the love ethic? Nicholas Wolterstorff is a leading American philosopher who has devoted much of his career to answering those questions. *JOURNEY TOWARD JUSTICE* is his most recent statement on the subject. The book also has much to say about the relationship between Biblical teaching and other views of justice, such as the modern idea of human rights.

Participants will be expected to read portions of the book (30-40 pp. each week) as the course unfolds, starting with Ch. 1-5 (reading for the first session on July 12).

MUSIC MINISTRY EVENTS

Join the Summer Pick-up Choir

Sundays, through the Summer, 10 a.m.

Enjoy Singing but No Time for Rehearsals? The Summer Pick-up Choir may be the answer. Just gather at 10 a.m. to learn a song, then sing for the 11 a.m. service. All ages and voices are welcome. The dates and choir leads are as follows:

- July 5 - SMP Choir
- July 12 – Soprano Alto Choir
- July 19 – Zachary Gutierrez
- July 26 – Orff Sunday (Evan with Joyful Noise/Choristers with Orff)
- August 2 – Montreat Sunday
- August 9 – Jeannette Mulherin
- August 16 —Soprano Alto Tenor Bass Choir
- August 23 – Evan Ayars
- August 30 – Lewinsville Chorister Pickup

MISSION AND SERVICE

Good News Again from the P Family

The two things that the Refugee Resettlement Team (RRT) have been most concerned about with respect to our Ukrainian family are their legal status and their work permits. Both issues have been--at least for a few months--settled. **The family now has their Ukrainian Humanitarian Parole re-instated, and they have been granted Ukrainian Temporary Protective Status (TPS).** Neither of these is permanent; they must be renewed regularly. But for now, all is well. **And both Sergii and Olga have finally received their work authorization cards, so they can work legally for a few more months.**

The RRT Employment Committee (we now have committees!) is hard at work helping Olga get training and employment in the IT field (software testing). **If you can give us assistance, contact Don Lu** (arielanddon@gmail.com). When that is accomplished, the family will be financially self-supporting once again.

Until Olga is re-employed, we will continue to pay their rent and utilities and provide money for food and necessities--for a total of \$4,800/month. So, we still need your financial contributions to the RRT Fund!

CELEBRATING

Pride Month

Lewinsville
Presbyterian Church



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The Entire Congregation of Lewinsville Church
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The Rev. Layne B. Brubaker
The Rev. Jen Dunfee
John Nothaft
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WELCOME TO LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH! We are delighted to welcome all newcomers to our church family! At Lewinsville Presbyterian Church, we are claimed by God in Jesus Christ, called to live as a community of faith, and sent to participate in the unfolding of God's kingdom on earth.

As you embark on this journey with us, we invite you to explore our mission and vision, which guides our every endeavor. To learn more about who we are and what we do, please visit our website at lewinsville.org.

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