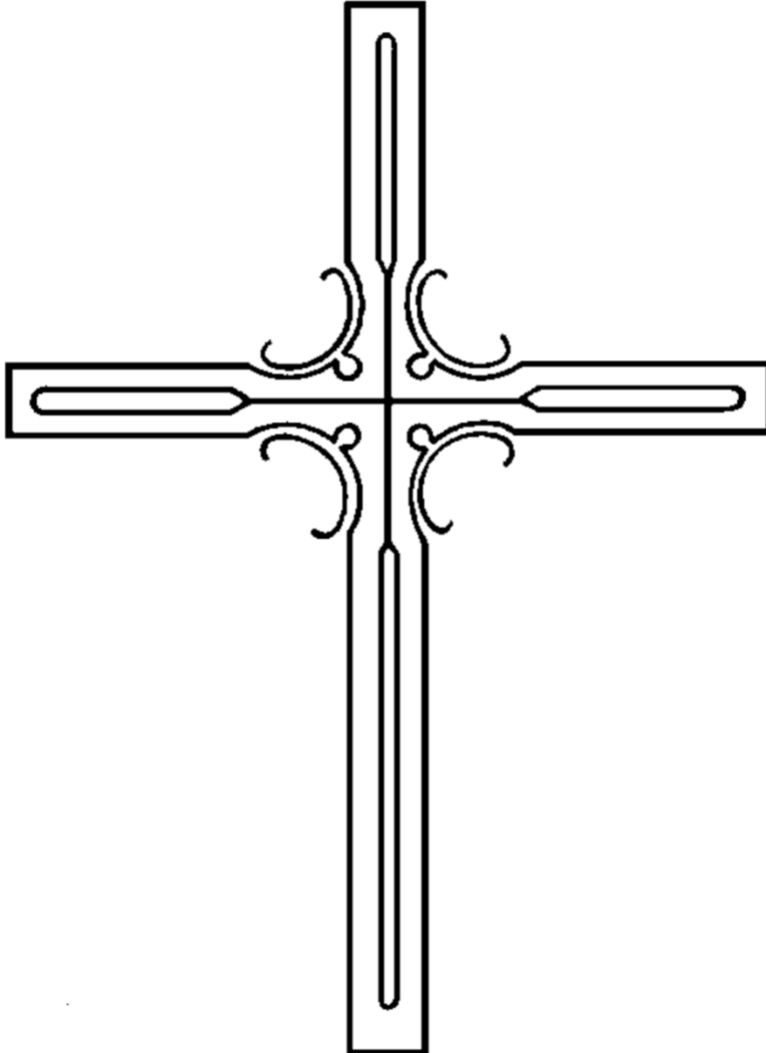




Service For The Lord's Day
Lewinsville Presbyterian Church
Eighth Sunday After Pentecost

July 19, 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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THE LEWINSVILLE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 19, 2026

* *If you are able, please stand*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Andante Religiose, from Sonata 4

Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

Oh my God, in you I trust.

Make me know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths.

**Lead me in your truth, for you are the God of my salvation;
For you I wait all day long.**

* HYMN

What a Fellowship

GTG 837

SHOWALTER

CALL TO CONFESSION

(from Psalm 25)

Silence for personal confession

**Almighty God,
Be mindful of your mercy, O Lord,
And of your steadfast love,
For they have been of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth
Or my transgressions;
According to your steadfast love,
Remember me.
O Lord, grant us mercy,
And grant us peace.
Amen.**

RESPONSE

Ubi Caritas (sung twice)

GTG 205

UBI CARITAS

**Ubi caritas et amor,
Ubi caritas Deus ibi est.**

Translation:

Live in charity and steadfast love.

Live in Charity; God will dwell in you.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* RESPONSE

Gloria, Gloria

GTG 583

(Sung in Latin three times. Second verse in Canon with pulpit side singing first)

GLORIA (TAIZE)

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!**

Translation

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!

Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

*** 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 the children’s meditation.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 33:6-9, 13-22

Colossians 1:15-20

Luke: 10:38-42

OT pp. 507, 508

NT p. 200

NT p. 72

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Deepening Relationships: Have You Centered Your Wa Today?

Dr. David H. Morrison

* HYMN

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

GTG 465

CONVERSE

* 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

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



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OFFERTORY

God is My Shepherd

Antonín Dvořák

*God is my shepherd, I want for nothing.
My rest is in the pleasant meadows.
He leadeth me where quiet waters flow.
My fainting soul doth He restore
and guideth me in the ways of peace,
to glorify His name.
And though in death's dark valley
my steps must wander,
my spirit shall not fear
for Thou are by me still.
Thy rod and staff are with me,
and they shall comfort me.*

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RESPONSE

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

GTG 609

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all creatures high and low,
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise God in Jesus fully known; Creator, Word and Spirit one.
Alleluia, Alleluia! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

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**

We Are One in the Spirit

GTG 300

THEY'LL KNOW WE ARE CHRISTIANS

* **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

* **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE

Allegro, from Sonata 4

Felix Mendelssohn
(1809-1847)

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.

ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Music Ministry
Lay Reader
Duty Elder
Duty Deacon
Audio/Visual Ministry

Evan Ayars, Michael Lodico
Linda Bender
Jim Edmondson
Peterson Huang
Rich Tullos /Carlos Claros
(Aperture Media)

WELCOME OUR GUEST PREACHER, DR. DAVID MORRISON

We are very pleased to welcome to the pulpit today, Dr. David Morrison. He is a member of Lewinsville, having served on Session as well as a number of task forces and committees over the years. He is a graduate of Davis and Elkins College and received a Master of Public Policy from the University of Maryland's School of Public Affairs, as well as a Master of Divinity and Ph.D. from Princeton Theological Seminary. Prior to attending seminary, David had a long and distinguished career in the federal government and the private sector. He has taught many classes at Lewinsville over the years, including a regular class—often taught with Linton Brooks—*The Lewinsville Forum*—covering issues in Faith and Public Policy. David's Ph.D. dissertation is entitled, "The Theologies of American Christian Nationalism." He and his wife, Phebe Novakovic, are the founders of the Morrison-Novakovic Center for Faith and Public Policy at Davis and Elkins College. We are privileged and delighted to welcome him to preach today.

Rev. Jen Dunfee, Stated Supply Pastor for Christian Education on Sabbatical

Our Stated Supply Pastor for Christian Education, Rev. Jen Dunfee, is on an earned sabbatical this summer, as recommended by the Personnel Committee and approved by the Session. During this time, in order to provide for the sabbatical's goals of rest, renewal, and revitalization, it is important that members of the congregation refrain from being in contact with Jen. This applies to the variety of ways that we contact each other – by email, phone, text, mail, or in-person. We very much appreciate your honoring this time away for Jen. We look forward to her return at the beginning of the program year.

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 19, 2026

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRY

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

- Sunday, August 2, 3:30-5:30 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

ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Education Book Study: Journey Toward Justice Book—Leader Bruce Douglass

Four Sundays, Through 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. It is a quite personal book in which he explains how first got interested in the topic and how the experiences that led him to devote so much attention to it have shaped his thinking. 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 each week, on this schedule:

- July 26: ch. 6-10
- August 2: ch. 20-24

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 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!

FELLOWSHIP

FAITH250 INTERFAITH COMMUNITY FESTIVAL - SATURDAY, AUGUST 29

*Saturday, August 29, 5-7 p.m. Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints,
2034 Great Falls St., Falls Church*

Lewinsville is part of Faith250, an interfaith initiative to gather local congregations to celebrate the beauty of the United States, to work towards healing the wounds that divide us, and to grow towards the ideals that call us forward. The McLean-Falls Church cohort of Faith250 will host an Interfaith Community Celebration on Saturday, August 29, from 5-7 p.m. There'll be food, fellowship, and games, as well as an Interfaith Ritual of gratitude, awareness, and aspiration. Everyone is invited to this special community gathering.



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Donate to the Chesterbrook Giftshop

Bring to the collection box in the church office

Do you have any summer or fall knick knacks, jewelry, purses or scarves you would like to donate to Chesterbrook. The gift shop is in need of new merchandise. If you are cleaning drawers or closets, keep Chesterbrook in mind. There is a box in the church office for donations. If you have questions, contact Claire Grossi, cbgrossi@gmail.com



This week, eight Lewinsville youth, along with Pastor Layne and Irene Foster are in Montreat, NC for the annual Montreat Youth Conference.

Support their learning and growing in faith by praying for the group. Follow their journey on Lewinsville's Facebook and Instagram pages, which you can reach from our website homepage. You can also scan the QR codes:



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About the Montreat Youth Conference 2026: Wonder & Wander

The Montreat Youth Conference affirms youth in their calling to be and to shape the church of Jesus Christ. Our desire is to help youth come to know and believe that they are the beloved of God and to be a place where authenticity, community, connection, and God's truth thrive. We seek to be an inclusive space where each voice can be heard and where each heart can be molded; where change is invited, challenge is expected, and where all are embraced.

Youth leave Montreat knowing that:

- **Their faith matters.**
- **They are loved as they are.**
- **They are part of a community of faith.**
- **They are empowered to act for change in the world.**

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CHILDREN’S MUSIC SPECIALIST

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