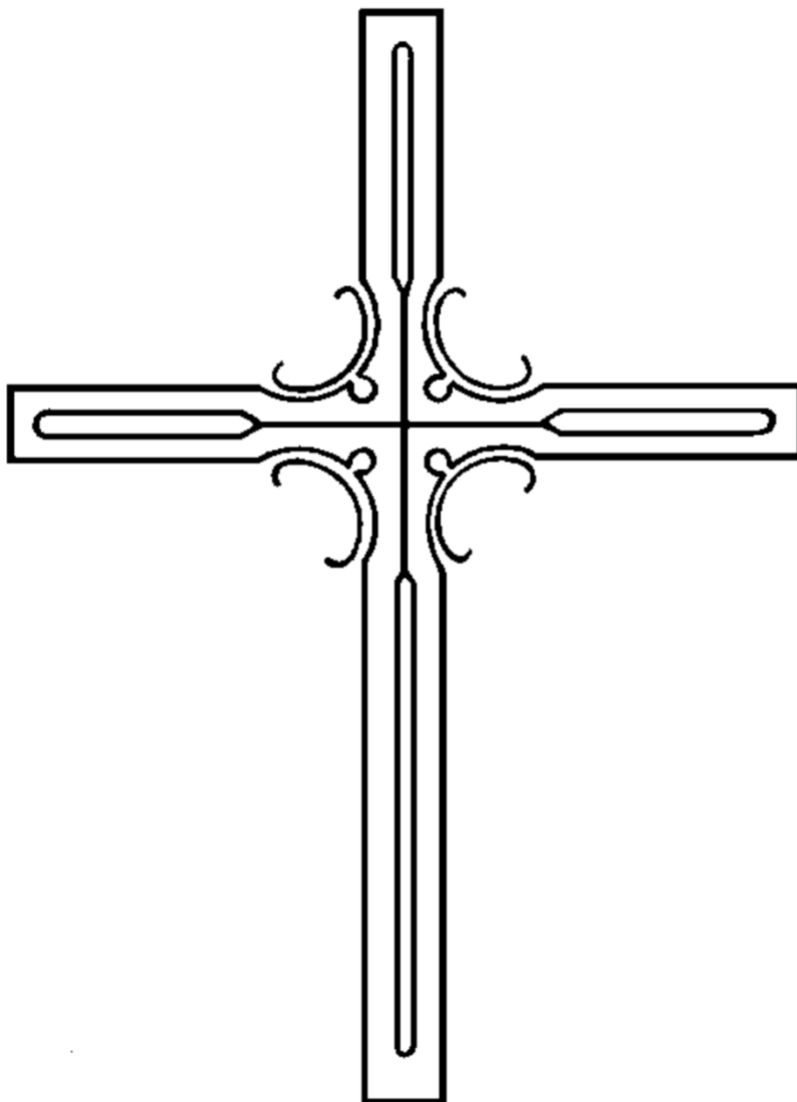




Service For The Lord's Day
Lewinsville Presbyterian Church
Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

August 9 , 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

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 9, 2026

* *If you are able, please stand*

GATHERING

WELCOME

PRELUDE

Jerusalem, My Happy Home

George Shearing (1919-2011)

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Let us rejoice, for morning has dawned. A new day is born, and we are newly alive to enjoy it.

**We celebrate the beauty of creation and the wonder of the human family.
We remember those whose love has shaped our lives and those whose struggles
for justice have been untiring, even in the face of opposition.**

*We gather to worship God, to share prayers and gifts, to pledge ourselves once again
to God's work in the world.*

**May God bless us, so that what we do in this time together may be
honest and true, and may energize us for our mission in the world. Amen.**

* HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

GTG 475

NETTLETON

CALL TO CONFESSION

Silence for personal confession

God of living waters, we confess that we have often turned away from you and wandered in our own wildernesses of fear and doubt. Our thirst grows daily, yearning to be quenched by your redeeming love. Yet, when your love is offered to us, we often turn away, unable to truly believe that you would actually heal and love us. We have behaved in unkind and thoughtless ways. We have chosen to ignore those in need or to treat them dismissively. Our hearts are not placed in service to others, but rather in self-serving motives. Heal us, merciful God. Wash us again in your living water, and help us be faithful servants, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

RESPONSE

Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us

Renew! 85

WILLAN KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

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

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

* RESPONSE

Alleluia

GTG 587

CELTIC ALLELUIA

Alleluia! Alleluia!
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.

THE WORD

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

John 4:3-30

NT pp. 94-95

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

SERMON *Deepening Relationships: Gushing Water Inside of Us* Rev. Dr. Scott Ramsey
(or, Living With a Broken Cup)

* HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

GTG 182

KINGSFOLD

* **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

PC(USA) Book of Order - F-1.0404

In Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all creation, the Church seeks a new openness to God's mission in the world. In Christ, the triune God tends the least among us, suffers the curse of human sinfulness, raises up a new humanity, and promises a new future for all creation. In Christ, Church members share with all humanity the realities of creatureliness, sinfulness, brokenness, and suffering, as well as the future toward which God is drawing them. The mission of God pertains not only to the Church but also to people everywhere and all creation.

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.)



OFFERTORY

Shepherd Me, O God

Marty Haugen

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants
Beyond my fears, from death into life*

*God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want
I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love
I walk by the quiet waters of peace*

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants
Beyond my fears, from death into life*

*Gently You raise me and heal my weary soul
You lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth
My spirit shall sing the music of Your name*

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants
Beyond my fears, from death into life*

*Though I should wander the valley of death
I fear no evil, for You are at my side
Your rod and Your staff, my comfort and my hope*

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants
Beyond my fears, from death into life*

*You have set me a banquet upon
In the face of despair
Clothing me with love beyond my power to hold*

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants
Beyond my fears, from death into life*

*Surely Your kindness and mercy follow me
All the days of my life
I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore*

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants
Beyond my fears, from death into life*

* **RESPONSE**

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

GTG 35 v.2
LOBE DEN HERREN

**Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
granted in what he ordaineth?**

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** *Live into Hope* GTG 772
TRURO
- * **CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**
- * **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE *There is a Happy Land* George Shearing (1919-2011)

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.

*Today's Prayer of Confession is adapted from a prayer by Nancy C. Townley on
MinistryMatters.Com.*

ACTIVE IN TODAY'S SERVICE

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

Jeanette Mulherin, Michael Lodico
Lloyd Mustin
Toni Harrington
Peterson Huang
Rich Tullos /Aperture Media

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9, 2026

MISSION AND SERVICE

RRT Announcement for English Tutor for our Ukrainian Father

As many of you know, Lewinsville Presbyterian Church is supporting a Ukrainian family as they transition to life in the United States.

Their three children are learning English through their schools' English as a Second Language program. Their mother is learning English through a tutor and is making progress enough to have just secured employment providing translation services for a marketing firm. The father drives a delivery truck to deliver packages such as Amazon. As such, he has little interaction with spoken English which he needs if he is to advance in his job.

This is where you come in. If you or anyone you know may be interested in tutoring the father, once or preferably twice a week for about an hour via Zoom, it would be such a gift to this very deserving family. You do not need to know Ukrainian or have tutoring experience. The wife's tutor is available to share language learning strategies and materials with anyone who volunteers.

Please consider participating in this very important ministry at Lewinsville. Contact Harriet Hopkins hjhopkins2020@gmail.com if you are interested.

Christmas in July— Help a Student Head Back to School

It is time for our annual Mission and Service Christmas in July drive. Each year, we're reminded that generosity to our mission partners isn't just a December thing. It's a year-round calling. This year Mission and Service is focusing on back-to-school needs. Head to the tree in Saint Andrews Hall and choose an ornament. Each one lists a specific way you can help a student get ready for the new school year, whether that's supplies, backpacks, food, or financial donations.

Here's how it works:

- Choose an ornament from the tree
- Follow the instructions on the ornament
- Return items in the box marked for your mission partner
- All donated items are **due back by Sunday, August 23.**

Thank you for making sure a child you'll never meet starts the school year with what they need.

Mid-Summer P Family Update

Our Ukrainian family is diligently working its way through various hurdles to becoming self-sufficient. They are optimistic, ambitious, and enormously grateful to this congregation for our support.

- **English language:** Both Olga and Sergii are studying to improve their English. A friend of Harriet Hopkins is providing pro bono personal tutoring for Olga, and she is making great progress.
- **Legal matters:** After many, many months Olga has received work authorization attached to her parole status. This, plus the Temporary Protective Status (TPS) work authorization, will give her some security in being legally allowed to work for several months. One fear is that this fall Congress will not reauthorize the Ukrainian Humanitarian Parole, which is one of the avenues that make it possible for the family to live here legally. Another concern is that the children's application for TPS has not been approved after almost a year and a half!
- **Work and finances:** Sergii is still working full-time as a driver for a company that delivers Amazon packages. Leslie Speidel and Meghann Klein have been working with Olga to find employment in the AI field. She has just been employed on a free-lance,

part-time basis by an international marketing firm that offers translation services to ensure their clients are able to market their products and services in each native language where they operate. Olga's job will be to coach AI in Ukrainian - to ensure the text and prompts are accurate, making changes where necessary. Kudos to Leslie and Meghann for their help! Our hope is that this will lead to a full-time position with benefits. When that happens, the family will be financially self-sufficient.

We ask for your continued prayers for this lovely family and for your financial donations that are life-sustaining for them.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CHILDREN

LOOKING AHEAD

4F September Event: Bike Ride hosted by the Grantz Family

Saturday, September 12, 2-4 p.m., Meet at the trailhead at 2371 Cedar Lane

Bike in Vienna to Rita's Custard and Italian Ice, then back to the trailhead. While this is a biking event, non-bikers and littler kids can meet at Rita's to join for ice cream. 4F stands for Family, Faith, Fellowship and Fun!

YOUTH

Youth Day Trip to King's Dominion and Soak City Water Park

RESCHEDULED

Saturday, August 22, 2026

We'll close out the summer with a fun-filled day trip to **King's Dominion and Soak City Water Park!** It's the perfect send-off before the school year begins. A day full of rides, splashes, laughter, and great memories. All youth who have completed 6th grade through 12th grade are welcome to participate. Please register at this link: <https://forms.gle/ZQXdEMQgb2AT63A5A>

Heads up: we need at least 5 youth signed up for this trip to happen. If we don't hit that number, the trip gets cancelled, so don't wait to register!



Blessing of the Backpacks and the New School Year

Sunday, August 23, 11 a.m. worship service

As students and teachers head back to school, bring your backpack to worship on August 23! All students and teachers are invited to bring their backpacks to be blessed during the Children's Message in worship.

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:

- August 23 – Evan Ayars
- August 30 – Lewinsville Chorister Pickup

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

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The Rev. Layne B. Brubaker
The Rev. Jen Dunfee
John Nothaft
Evan Ayars

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New to Lewinsville?



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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