

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**When the church bell is rung let us be silent for worship.**

*\*Please stand if able.*

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## THE PRELUDE

## THE GREETING OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wherever you may be in the journey of faith, Leesburg Presbyterian Church welcomes you. We are a community where persons from different faith backgrounds and understandings find unity in the wide embrace of Christ's love and call to service. If you are passing through, we extend God's blessing to you as you continue on your way. If you are seeking a home, we invite you to join us in the adventure of serving Jesus Christ in a challenging world.

**INTROIT**

*Come and Fill*

The Taize Community

## \*THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Jesus says, "I am the Way for you."

**And so we come to follow Jesus.**

Jesus says, "I am the truth for you."

**And so we come to dwell in the light.**

Jesus said, "I am the life for you."

**And so we come,**

**leaving behind all else to which we cling.**

**\*HYMN 487**

*When Morning Gilds the Skies*

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## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Wise and wondrous God, we come seeking your guidance, your inspiration and your forgiveness. Empower us to be more able bearers of hope, more dedicated doers of your Word, more encouraging in our relationships with others, more open channels of faith.**

**We confess that our lives are more cluttered than committed; then we do not know which way to turn. What possesses us that we act as we do? Sometimes we do not know. Forgive our misdeeds, and grant us an awareness of your will so that we might be possessed by a Spirit of freedom and grace.**

**Encourage us always to focus our faith and act with purpose.**

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

**Amen.**

## **ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

### **\*THE GLORIA PATRI 579**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

### **\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN** (Congregation sings as children come forward and leave)

**Jesus, we are here; Jesus, we are here; Jesus, we are here, we are here for you.**

**LESSON FROM THE PSALTER** A Psalm Celebrating Creation! Pew Bible Pg.554  
Psalm 104: 1-9; 24, 35c

**ANTHEM** *Grace* Hamlin

**LESSON FROM THE GOSPEL** Matthew 25: 14-30 Pew Bible Pg.27

**SERMON** "Saving Account-ability" Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

**HYMN 324** *Open My Eyes That I May See* OPEN MY EYES

## **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—THE APOSTLE’S 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.**

## **OUR TIME FOR PRAYER 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.**

## **OFFERTORY**

### **\*THE DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** We dedicate to your service all the good things we have received from your hand. May our gifts carry the good news throughout our community, making a difference in the quality of life experienced by many, near and far. Amen.

**\*HYMN 276**

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

FAITHFULNESS

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE**

*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*

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**POSTLUDE**

*Please join us in the Fellowship Hall  
immediately following the Worship Services.  
All are welcome!*

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**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Worship at 8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**ASSISTING: 8:30 a.m.**

Liturgist: Brenda Bengtson

Ushers: Brad & Kathy Brown

Fellowship: Phil & Elaine Thiel

**11:00 a.m.**

William Marsh

Dave, Sheri & Brooke  
Nelson

**THE ROSEBUDS ON THE COMMUNION TABLE** celebrate the birth of Corinne Madison Hovda who was born on October 1, 2009. She is the daughter of Jason and Kimberly Hovda, and sister of Coleman. We celebrate the birth of Avery Olivia Morris who was born October 7, 2009. Avery is the daughter of Todd and Jennifer Morris and the sister of Anna and Julia.

**CHURCH STAFF**

Pastor

Director of Music

Interim Director of Christian Education

Youth Group Coordinator

Office Administrator

Prayer Chain

Bookkeeper

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## Sunday, October 18, 2009

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun.	Oct. 18	8:30a.m.	Worship
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
		12:00 p.m.	Fellowship
		<b>BACK PEW DEADLINE</b>	
Wed.	Oct. 21	5:30 p.m.	Youth Group
		10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		6:00 p.m.	MANNA
		7:30 p.m.	Choir
Fri.	Oct. 23	9:00 a.m.	MA's Group
Sat.	Oct. 24	8:30 a.m.	CROP Walk

**To Our Visitors:** Whether you have visited with us before or are visiting today for the first time, we hope you experience the open-hearted hospitality of the Living Christ in our community of faith as we gather in his name for Sabbath worship. Because it is our desire to get to know you better and to be able to communicate to you about our life and ministry, we appreciate you filling out the attendance register. The Session meets after each service on the First Sunday of the month to receive new members at the front of the sanctuary. One becomes a member of a Presbyterian church in one of three ways: 1) Profession of Faith, 2) Re-affirmation of Faith, 3) by Letter of Transfer from a previous church.

**Children and Balcony Pews!!**—If you have small children with you in worship, please do not sit in the front row of the balcony! Help us keep the children safe by choosing another pew for all children under the age of ten.

**In Our Prayers** we remember: Kim & Corinne Hovda, Mary Elizabeth Williams, Kim Vigil, Carol Sweet, Nannette Grimes, Ginny Boerlin, and Anne Greene. Our prayers are constant for the women and men of the Armed Forces and their families.

**Prayer Chain:** *Prayer requests* are confidentially and conscientiously lifted to God by members of the Prayer Chain every day. Please contact Fran Wingardner (540-882-4847) or email [prayer@lpcva.org](mailto:prayer@lpcva.org) if you have a special need or concern you wish to share through a praying church.

**Pew Postcards**—If you wish to send a note to a member of our congregation, please write your message on the white postcard and put it in the offering plate. The office will address it and mail it out for you.

## All Saints Sunday

November 1, 2009, we will have a time during worship to speak aloud the names of loved ones of our members who have died this past year. Please fill out one of the postcards in the pew with the name(s) of those you would like remembered.

**Sunday Morning Schedule for Children**—8:30 a.m. **Worship**—Children from birth through age 3 are welcome in the Noah's Ark Nursery. Two certified child-care attendants staff the room from 8:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. **9:45 a.m. Church School for all ages**—There are classes for age three through youth and adults. Child care for birth through age 2 in the Noah's Ark Nursery. **11:00 a.m. Worship**—Child care for birth through age 2 in the Noah's Ark Nursery. Share-the-Care follows the *Time with Children*, ages 3 through Kindergarten are escorted to the classroom downstairs. Adult and youth volunteers staff this program. A suggested lesson plan is sent to the volunteers prior to their volunteer Sunday. If you are able to assist in this program, please contact Karen Werner at the church. Children in first grade and older are invited to stay in worship with their families or to participate in Children's Choir. There are age appropriate worship bulletins available. Just ask an usher for your bulletin.

**Youth Group**—The youth will meet at the church from 5:30-7:00 p.m. for pizza and games. Come and join the fun!

**The LPC Book Club** meets at 9:30 a.m. on second Fridays in the lounge. You are welcome to attend any or all meetings. Our next two reading selections are as follows: **November 13** - *Gertrude Bell: Queen of the Desert, Shaper of Nations* by Georgina Howell; and **December 11** - *The Hotel on the Corner of Bitter & Sweet* by Jamie Ford. Please contact Jennifer Marsh with questions (703-779-0042).

**The Peacemaking Offering**—The PCUSA Peacemaking Offering was received on Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. A total of \$1,399 was received. Twenty-five percent or \$349.75 is being given to support the Loudoun Salvation Army's new project of taking hot meals to hungry folks in our community. This fledgling program made initial deliveries in Sterling and Leesburg providing 325 meals. Local organizations are volunteering to serve, drive, cook, etc. Our offering will be greatly appreciated and used to help meet the expenses incurred. If you missed the chance to make your offering, there are still some envelopes in the pews available. If you have other questions, please contact Pat Kropp.

**MANNA** our fall fellowship dinner will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. On the menu this week: **Meatloaf and Potatoes**. Following supper, Pastor Debbie will lead adults in a discussion from 6:45-7:15 while Karen Werner, our Interim Director of Christian Education, will lead our children (age 4 and older) in a special program. Childcare will be provided in the nursery for those age 3 and under. As always no RSVP is required. Our Deacons provide all the food, but if you're able, a small contribution of \$4 per adult, \$2 per child (max \$10 per family) is always appreciated! Manna is a wonderful opportunity to get to know the folks you sit next to on Sunday mornings. Come join us, a good time is had by all! See you then!

**Children's Choir** — Kindergarten-5th grade children are invited to participate in the Children's Choir which practices the second, third and fourth Sundays during the 11:00 a.m. worship service after the Children's Message. Director Wendy Bourloulakas will be at the door to escort children upstairs. The children will learn songs to sing in the worship service and also begin practice for the Christmas musical! No Children's Choir on **First Sunday** of the month so children can participate in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

**Wednesday Morning Bible Study**  
**Led by the pastor and Wednesday morning "wise women"**  
***Neglected Voices***  
***Biblical Spirituality in the Margins***

We will explore the lives of lesser-known biblical figures who have much to teach people today about the importance of faithfulness in all places and times. By seeing how God's grace is present in the lives of biblical "unknowns," we become open to the possibilities in our own lives and the lives of others. **Study Book: \$10.00**

**Back Pew Deadline**—Please turn in your articles to the office by Tuesday, October 21st. The newsletter will be mailed on October 27th.

## USHERS NEEDED



We need ushers for each Sunday service (8:30 and 11:00). If you would like to take a particular Sunday each month or once a quarter your service is appreciated. We also encourage our teenagers to volunteer. Please fill out the form below indicating which service and what week. Training will be provided. There will be some months that have 5 Sundays. If you would like to volunteer for those please indicate below.

Monthly: (The 11 a.m. service, first Sunday of each month is taken and the 8:30 a.m. service, third Sunday of each

month is taken)

Quarterly: (please circle months)

Month:	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun
	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec

8:30 \_\_\_\_\_

11:00 \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteers will receive a master list from the Worship Committee with dates and assigned names. If you know you cannot make it, please call another volunteer usher to switch dates or to be your substitute or e-mail the church office. ([office@lpcva.org](mailto:office@lpcva.org))

Month you cannot serve \_\_\_\_\_