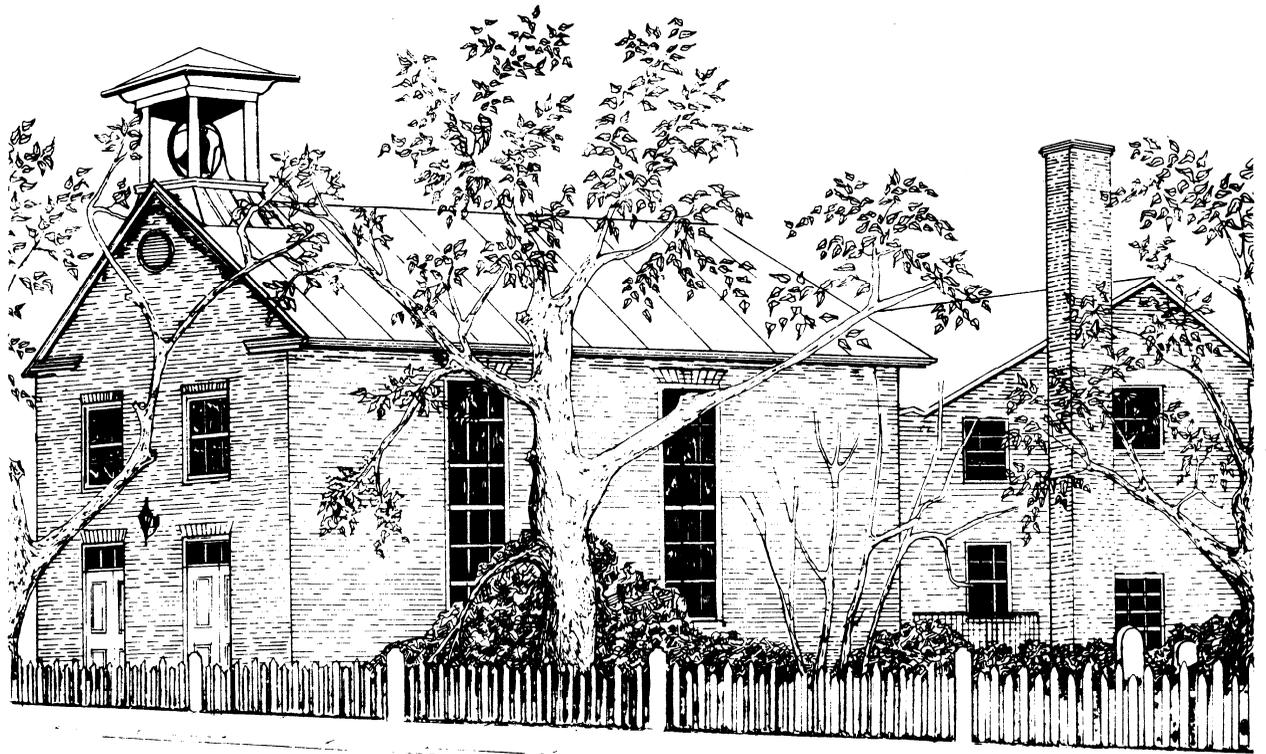


LEESBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

1804



January 27, 2013

*Standing on the past . . .
Reaching for the future*

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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

**Please stand if able*

PRELUDE

Holy Ground

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.

GATHERING SONG

Glorify Thy Name

Donna Adkins

**Father (Jesus/Spirit), we love You, we worship and adore You,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.
Glorify Thy name, glorify Thy name,
Glorify Thy name in all the earth.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

God built the heavens, the earth, and everything in them.

God calls us to be builders as well.

God calls us to build our lives:

to restore broken places and continue to grow.

God calls us to build our faith:

to study the Word and ponder its interpretation.

God calls us to build our community:

to build bridges of understanding and systems of justice.

God calls us to build history by fulfilling the promises of Scripture:

to preach the good news of God's love and liberation for all people.

*HYMN 580

Holy, Holy, Holy

SANCTUS

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Unison)*

God of Restoration, whenever we come home to you, we realize how far we have strayed and how much we have forgotten of your law and your love. We have not loved you with our whole hearts or loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us, heal us, and restore us to our relationship with you; through Jesus Christ, in whom we trust.

(silence is kept)

Amen.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

***RESPONSE 355**

Hear the Good News of Salvation

NETTLETON

**Hear the good news of salvation: Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy! Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love You! Jesus Christ, You save from sin!
How I love You! Look upon me, love me still and cleanse within.**

***GREETING YOUR NEIGHBOR**

During the flu season we shall forego Passing the Peace and instead offer to those nearest you in the pew a verbal greeting of welcome.

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

pew bible p. 436

ANTHEM

Ancient Words

arr. B. Sweet

Holy words, long preserved, for our walk in this world,
They resound with God's own heart, O let the ancient words impart.
Words of life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope.
In this world where e'er we roam ancient words will guide us home.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you.
We have come with open hearts. O let the ancient words impart.

Holy words of our faith, handed down to this age,
came to us through sacrifice, O heed the faithful words of Christ.

Holy words long preserved, for our walk in this world,
they resound with God's own heart, O let the ancient words impart.

Ancient words, ever true, changing me and changing you.
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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

Luke 4:14-21

pew bible p. 61

SERMON

Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH — THE 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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Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday: 9-3; Friday: 9-2

PASTORAL PRAYER

RESPONSE (*congregation singing*)

Ken Medema

Lord, listen to Your children praying

Lord, send Your Spirit in this place

Lord, listen to Your children praying

Send us love, send us power, send us grace

THE LORDS PRAYER

THE OFFERING

PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

MORECAMBE

***RESPONSE 485**

To God Be the Glory

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***BENEDICTION**

ANNUAL MEETING

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Liturgists:	Stu Brown	Randy Jackson
Ushers:	Babe and Kevin McGuire	David Parsons and Kim Hovda
Acolyte:		Sara Koochagian

**Leesburg Presbyterian Church
Congregational Meeting Agenda
January 27, 2013**

1. Open with Prayer
2. Declaration of Quorum
3. State Purpose of Meeting
 - ◆ Church Annual Report
 - ◆ 2013 Budget Overview
 - ◆ Elect Associate Pastor Nominating Committee
 - ◆ Vote on Change in Pastor's Terms of Call
4. Minutes from Last Congregational Meeting
5. Church Annual Report
6. Budget Overview
7. Election of Associate Pastor Nominating Committee
8. Change in Pastor's Terms of Call
9. Adjourn with Prayer

Sunday, January 27, 2013

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun.	January 27	8:30 a.m.	Worship
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
		5:30 p.m.	Youth Group
Tues.	January 29	9:30 a.m.	Newsletter mailing
Wed.	January 30	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		7:30 p.m.	Choir

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 with you about our life and ministry, we appreciate you filling out the attendance register. 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 Worship Because the safety of our young children matters deeply to all of us, we encourage families with little ones to choose a seat other than the front row of the balcony if possible.

Birth to 3 Year Olds are cared for by two professional caregivers, Miss Pat and Miss Bonnie, in our nursery on the first floor of the education wing from 8:15 to 12:15.

4 year olds to 3rd graders are invited to participate in *Godly Play* after the children's message during the 11:00 service. *Godly Play* provides age appropriate worship for children that helps them deepen their understanding of God. We worship God through storytelling, art, hands-on activities and prayer. Acolytes will lead the children to the room and parents may pick up their children upstairs in the education wing as they are dismissed from room 3.

Prayer Chain Prayer requests are confidentially and conscientiously lifted to God by members of the Prayer Chain every day. Please email prayer@lpcva.org if you have a special need or concern you wish to share through a praying church.

In Our Prayers we remember: Jane Wallace, Hal and Mary Lib Glovier. Our prayers are constant for the women and men of the Armed Forces and their families.



4th Annual **SWEET SOMETHING** Dessert Silent Auction

Sunday, February 10

Just in time for Valentine's Day, the 4th Annual "Sweet Something" Dessert Silent Auction will be held after both worship services on Sunday, February 10 to raise funds for youth ministry and summer trips. There will be an array of delicious desserts from pies and cakes to cookies and dessert bars just in time to give to a friend, a teacher, a co-worker, a neighbor or a spouse on Valentine's Day!

Last year we raised over \$3,700; Can we do it again?!?
In order to do this we need two things:

- (1) Folks to bake and donate fabulously yummy desserts
- (2) Folks to bid on these fabulously yummy desserts

Sign-ups begins today! The youth really appreciate the wonderful support of their church family for their summer ministry trips!



Friends, visitors and new members of Leesburg Presbyterian Church
are warmly invited to

LUNCH & CONVERSATION about **BELIEVING & BELONGING**

after worship, **February 3**, 12:00 noon - 2:00 PM

We'll have lunch and informal conversation about our congregation, your interest in church membership, questions about the church, its Presbyterian heritage, and what becoming a member means. The Session will meet with any who are ready to join and receive them into church membership.

Children are welcome!

After lunch the children can enjoy play-time with supervision. Thanks for your RSVP! We need to know how many care-givers to provide.

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February Newsletter We will be preparing the newsletter for mailing on Tuesday, January 29 at 10:30 a.m. Please join us for about an hour if you are able to help. No experience necessary!

Lost and Found The wave of items washing up at the beginning of each week has crested! We now have an official lost and found on the bookshelf outside the door from the sanctuary to the hall. Lots of glasses, some jewelry, a spare glove ...

Ash Wednesday Join us as we kick off the Lenten season with a pancake supper at 6:00 on Wednesday, February 13, hosted by the Deacons. A simple 30 minute Ash Wednesday service follows at 6:45.

There is a blank, lonely-looking **2013 flower chart** posted outside the office. Let's give it some love!

Adult Studies *Is There Christianity After Religion?* The data is clear: religious affiliation is plummeting across the breadth of Christian denominations. Some contend that we're undergoing yet another evangelical revival; others suggest that Christian belief and practice is eroding entirely as traditional forms of faith are replaced by new ethical and a-religious choices. And yet interest in "spirituality" is on the rise. So what is behind the sea change in American religion? These are the questions unwrapped and explored in Diana Butler Bass's new book, *Christianity After Religion* and ones that we are exploring in the Adult Studies Class. Sundays at 9:45 through February 10.

ELDERS

2013

Stuart Brown
Pam Poisson
Holly Rhodes
Kathi Stone

2014

Chris Folk
Randy Jackson
Steve Potter
Doug Sweeney

2015

Trish Fraker
Frank Gasperini
Tom Gurney
Keith Markel

DEACONS

Sandy Gasperini
Kim Goldstein
Carla Holland
Connie Niccolls

Glenna Bingham
Tom Chase
Babe McGuire
Nancy Vanzandt

Kristin Moats
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