



Lent 2013
Leesburg Presbyterian Church
February 17, 2013

1st Sunday in Lent

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

When the church bell is rung let us be silent for worship.
**Please stand if able*

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.

GATHERING SONG

Lord, Be Glorified

Kilpatrick

**In our lives, Lord, be glorified, be glorified,
In our lives, Lord, be glorified, today.**

**In Your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified,
In Your church, Lord, be glorified, today.**

**In this hour, Lord, be glorified, be glorified,
In this hour, Lord, be glorified, today.**

*CALL TO WORSHIP

The season of Lent sets us on a journey.

The journey begins in the wilderness.

We follow the way of Jesus,

Who faced trials, trouble, temptation, and testing.

Like Jesus, we are not alone.

The Holy Spirit is with us. God's Word is on our lips.

Our call is to trust in God alone,

To do God's will in all things.

Let us sing our praises to God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*HYMN 487

When Morning Gilds the Skies

LAUDES DOMINI

CALL TO CONFESSION

In trust, let us call upon God's holy name,

Confess our sin, and receive forgiveness.

RESPONSE*Restore Us O God*

Robert Olson

Re - store us O God! Re

store us O God! Make your face shine up - on

1. A Em A
us that we may be saved! Re-

2. A G A *Sing 1st x only*
us that we may be saved!

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Unison)*

Merciful and gracious God, we bow before your unending compassion, the measure of our falling short. We have not loved as you command. We have not spoken truly. We have not cared for creation, including ourselves, according to your will. What we intend, we have not pursued; what we mean to avoid, we embrace. Help us to know the mind of Christ, that in all thoughts, words, and deeds, our lives might come to honor you.

(silence is kept)

Amen

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS***RESPONSE 579***Glory Be to the Father*

GLORIA PATRI

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.

***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)

During the Baptism children will remain seated with their parents. After the Sacrament, they will be escorted to Godly Play.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00)

Tim and Caroline O'Neill present their son, Colin Timothy, to receive the sacrament of baptism.

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 6:1-15

pew bible p. 5

SERMON

The Lord's Prayer – A Way of Life

Beginning to Pray Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

ANTHEM

Precious Lord, Take My Hand with I Need Thee Every Hour arr. Hayes

THE PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERING

PRAYER

OFFERTORY

***THE DOXOLOGY #592**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Thank you, God, for the signs and wonders that reveal your presence. We want to do our part to share your love with the world. Use our offerings and our lives to bring realization of your reign among us. Amen

***HYMN 344**

Christ of the Upward Way

SURSUM CORDA

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

May the strength of God pilot us.

May the power of God preserve us.

May the wisdom of God instruct us.

May the way of God direct us.

May the shield of God defend us.

May the host of God guard us against the snares of evil and the temptations of the world.

May Christ be with us,

Christ before us,

Christ in us,

Christ over us.

**May your salvation, O Lord,
be always ours this day and forevermore.**

Amen.

Sunday, February 17, 2013

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun.	February 17	8:30 a.m.	Worship
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
		5:30 p.m.	Youth Group
Mon.	February 18	11:00 a.m.	Monday Morning Stitchers
Tues.	February 19	7:30 p.m.	Session
Wed.	February 20	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.

LENT at Leesburg Presbyterian Church

Lenten Sermon Series on THE LORD'S PRAYER

Feb. 24 – “Hallowed Be Thy Name”

March 3 – “Daily Bread”

March 10 – “Thy Will Be Done”

March 17 – “Debts, Trespasses, Sins”

March 24 – “Deliver Us From Evil”

March 31 – “The Add On”

Mid-Week Lenten Reflection Group

Wednesday Mornings

10:00 – 11:15 am – Church Parlor.

A Time of Centering Prayer and Reflection on The Lord's Prayer as daily guide for practicing our faith during Lent.

Online Presbyterian Devotional Guide During Lent: www.d365.org

New Adult Education Video Series: “Jesus and the Gospels”

February 17—March 24

The gospels raise puzzling questions about the figure of Jesus and about the religious movement, Christianity, that produced them. What accounts for the diversity of images? Is it possible to speak of a unique Jesus when accounts about him are so varied?

The most common approach to these questions is through history. The so-called “quest for the historical Jesus” asks who the human Jesus really was behind the different portraits. However, the historical question is impossible to answer satisfactorily. Historical statements fall short of providing a full or even meaningful grasp of Jesus' identity.

Professor Luke Timothy Johnson, of Emory University, focuses not simply on Jesus but also on the Gospels as literary compositions. We want to know how they came to be, how they are related to one another, and how they communicate through their literary structure, plot, character development, themes and symbolism. It is through this literature that present-day readers can continue to encounter Jesus.

February 17:	Why Not “The Historical Jesus?”
February 24:	Why Compose Gospels?
March 3:	Gospel of Mark: Apocalyptic and Irony
March 10	Gospel of Mark: Good News in Mystery
March 17	Gospel of Mark: Teacher and Disciples
March 24	Gospel of Mark: Passion and Death

Fishes and Loaves Offering The First Sunday of each month, when we celebrate the Lord's Supper, we are reminded of the many individuals and families who may not have enough food for supper. On those Sundays, we are asked to bring non-perishable food to be taken to Interfaith Relief. In January, seventy six (76 lbs.) were taken to Interfaith. In February one hundred and sixty-five (165 lbs) were taken to Interfaith!

On Sunday, March 3, the baskets will be visible once more. Thank you for all your generosity.

Volunteers are needed for the **Grace to Go Mission** on Sunday, March 3, at Deli South from 1:30-3:30. Volunteers prepare a healthy meal for distribution in the community. You can register to help by signing the Mission and Witness bulletin board in the Church hallway or contact the Frakers at fraker1@verizon.net, or by phone at 703-771-8049.

March Newsletter Articles and submissions for the next newsletter are due in the office by the end of the day on Monday, February 18. Please email your articles to office@lpcva.org. We will be preparing the newsletter for mailing on Tuesday, February 26 at 10:30 a.m. We have new guidelines from the post office that will add a little time, so an extra hand or two would be greatly appreciated. Please join us for about an hour if you are able to help. No experience necessary!

Monday Morning Stitches Monday, February 18, 11:00 a.m. We have a great group of ladies who stitch on the 3rd Monday of each month at the home of Jane Ashbaugh. Bring whatever project you are working on and stitch and visit with us. If you ever wanted to learn counted thread, canvas work (needlepoint) or cross stitch on linen, now is the time! Call if you have any questions. (703-779-0747)

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
Florence O'Hey
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Lenten Practice of Daily Prayer

February 17 – February 23

Household Prayer: Morning

Loving God, all night I slept in your shadow,
sheltered by you.
As I enter into the gift of this day,
I trust that you are with me.
May I see signs and wonders of your presence in the
world today,
for you alone are God.
Help me to be open to all people you bring my way,
for you yourself make no distinctions,
but are Lord of all.
In Christ's name, I pray. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

God, my dwelling place, as the shadows fall, I rest in you.
Thank you for the faith that held me fast this day.
Thank you, too, for every person who offered me grace,
and for those to whom I could also show grace.
I pray this night for all who long to see a sign of your power
in the darkness that surrounds them.
Be near to them and show them your salvation.
And in the morning when I rise,
give me your work to do for another day;
in Jesus' name. Amen.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Liturgists:	Stu Brown	Wes Rhodes
Ushers:	Kathy and Brad Brown	Don and Linda Gibson
Acolyte:		Isabelle Marsh
Flowers:	Provided by Brad and Kathy Brown in honor of Rev. Parsons for all the love and joy she shares with this congregation.	

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

COME, BE BAPTIZED (congregation sings refrain)

Come, be baptized in the name of the Father.

Come, be baptized in the name of the Son.

Come, be baptized in the name of the Spirit.

Come, be baptized in love.

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,

Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried;

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again;

He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father,

And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,

The communion of saints, The forgiveness of sins,

The resurrection of the body, And the life everlasting. Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM

WELCOME

THE COMMUNITY'S PRAYER FOR THE NEWLY BAPTIZED AND PARENTS

God of wonder and grace we thank you for your love revealed this day as we have come together making covenant promises. We pray for parents Tim and Caroline. Give them wisdom and patience to guide their child in the way of Jesus Christ and the faith of the church. Let their family life be instructed by faith, sustained by prayer and governed by love.

We pray for your child, Colin. Keep him always in your love. Guide him as he grows in faith. Protect him in all the dangers and temptations of life. Bring him to confess Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and be His faithful disciple to his life's end; In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

BLESSING