



Lent 2013
Leesburg Presbyterian Church
February 24, 2013

2nd 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

How Excellent Is Thy Name

arr. Smith/Hustad

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

Jesus, Name Above All Names

Hearn

Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord.

Emmanuel, God is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word. (repeat)

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

We gather this day to worship our God, whose words and ways challenge us.

God invites us to lose our selfishness,

so that we find ourselves in Christ.

God calls us to be foolish in this world,

to show forth the wisdom of Christ.

God urges us to empty ourselves,

to discover life's fullness.

God bids us to be obedient to the divine will,

so that we might know true freedom.

Let us worship God, who calls us to be transformed by grace and love!

***HYMN 457**

I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art

TOULON

CALL TO CONFESSION

Friends, not out of dread and fear,

but believing that God is faithful to forgive,

let us rid ourselves of what we need to carry no longer.

RESPONSE

Restore Us O God

Robert Olson

Restore us O God! Restore us O God!

Make your face shine upon us that we may be saved! (repeat)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Unison)*

God of compassion, you know how we rebel against you. You know how we doubt, how we fear and how we hold back, when you call us into freedom and into partnership in Jesus Christ.

God, forgive us. Free us by the power of your cross, that we may serve you without fear, and without holding back. Grant us your peace, through Jesus Christ, who was faithful to the end.

(silence is kept)

Amen

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE 276

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

FAITHFULNESS

**Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, and ten thousand! Beside!**

**Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see; All I have needed Thy
Hand hath provided; Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!**

*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

Psalm 138

pew bible p. 577

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 11:1-4

pew bible p. 72

SERMON

Hallowed Be Thy Name

Rev. Stephany Crosby

ANTHEM

The Lord's Prayer

Bowen

THE PASTORAL 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.

THE OFFERING

PRAYER

OFFERTORY

Holy, Holy, Holy

*THE DOXOLOGY #592

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

OFFERTORY PRAYER

All things come from you, O God, and with gratitude we return to you what is yours. We offer you ourselves in union with Christ's offering for us. By your Holy Spirit, make us one with Christ, one with each other, and one in ministry to all the world; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

*HYMN 84

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

RATHBUN

*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.**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Liturgists:	Tom Gurney	John Niccolls
Ushers:	Babe and Kevin McGuire	Nancy Vanzandt and David Parsons
Acolyte:		Taylor Vigil
Flowers:	Provided by Florence O'Hey in memory of her son, Tim, on the anniversary of his birth, February 25.	

Sunday, February 24, 2013

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun.	February 24	8:30 a.m.	Worship
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
Tues.	February 26	7:30 p.m.	Christian Education Committee
Wed.	February 27	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		12:00 p.m.	Soul Café at Methodist Church
		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 Glover. 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

- 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

Adult Education Video Series: “Jesus and the Gospels”

Through March 24 in the Parlor

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.

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| 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.

March Newsletter We will be preparing the newsletter for mailing on Thursday, February 28 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!

Soul Café Members of Leesburg Presbyterian have been invited to join our next door neighbor, Leesburg United Methodist Church for a mid-week service and lunch. Pastor Debbie will be leading worship on February 27th.

The Rev. Stephany Crosby is grateful to preach here today! She always enjoys returning to western Loudoun County, because she began ordained ministry as Associate Pastor of St. Andrew in Purcellville. She has served as an interim pastor for churches in Maryland and Virginia, and now chairs the Transitions Team, a part of Presbytery's Committee on Ministry. She and her husband Jack live in Vienna, VA.

The new LPC pictorial directory has arrived and there's one with your name on it! Stop by the church office after worship or during regular hours (9-3 M-F and 9-2 on Fridays) to get one.

Winchester Gleaning Network 6th Annual Hunger Summit Saturday, April 14, 2013, 2-4PM. The Mission & Witness Committee offers our congregation, all ages, the opportunity to become involved in "gleaning" at a farm in Winchester during the Spring and Fall of this year. We have been invited to attend the Hunger Summit, sponsored by The Society of St. Andrew, to learn more about this ministry. If you would like to join members of the M&W Committee who are planning to attend, please contact Kathy Brown at kbrown@ipcva.org. We need to RSVP by March 1 to guarantee seating. The summit takes place at Stephens City UMC and includes lunch. You and your family can learn more about this service organization at <http://www.endhunger.org>.

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.

Lenten Practice of Daily Prayer

February 24 – March 2

Household Prayer: Morning

Loving God, in all I do this day,
use me as a sign of your reconciling love.
Let me not view anyone from a human point of view,
but let me see all whom I will encounter with the eyes of Christ,
through whom I pray. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Merciful God, this day is drawing to an end.
Be with me as I pause and ponder
All the love I saw and received today.
Help me to see you in each moment of love.
Where I fell short of being patient and kind,
Help me to feel your patience and kindness toward me,
And give me peace, as I give this day back to you. Amen.

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

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Kim Goldstein
Carla Holland
Connie Niccolls

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Tom Chase
Babe McGuire
Nancy Vanzandt

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