

Palm Sunday

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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

**Please stand if able*

PRELUDE

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

arr. Kraus

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.

THE TRIUMPHAL ENTRY OF JESUS Matthew 21:1-11

PROCESSION OF PALMS

INTROIT

Let the People Sing, Hosanna

Victor Johnson

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

This day we remember our Lord's entrance into Jerusalem.

This day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!

***HYMN 88**

All Glory Laud and Honor VALET WILL ICH DIR GEBEN

CALL TO CONFESSION

Congregation Singing

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)*

Surprising God, you come to our lives in ways we do not expect. We ask for success, you teach us faithfulness. We ask to be loved, you ask us to love. We ask for a triumphant Messiah, you come as one obedient to death. We glorify the winner, you glorify the servant on died on a criminal's cross. Walk among us and turn our hearts to you. Forgive our fickleness and our lack of faith and create in us a new heart for wise and courageous discipleship.

(silence is kept)

Amen

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

***RESPONSE 92**

Beneath the Cross of Jesus

ST. CHRISTOPHER

**Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand.
The shadows of a mighty rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noon-tide heat, and the burden of the day.**

**Upon the cross of Jesus, mine eye at times can see.
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me;
And from my stricken heart with tears, two wonders I confess;
The wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.**

***PASSING THE PEACE**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Romans 7:15-20

pew bible p. 157

Matthew 6: 7-13

pew bible p. 5

SERMON

“Deliver Us from Evil” Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

ANTHEM

The Power of the Cross

Getty/Townsend

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—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

OFFERTORY

Cross of Glory

arr. Lowe

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**Gracious God, Our gifts can never match your goodness toward us. Your saving grace, your healing light, your personal sacrifice are so far beyond our imagining! We can only offer ourselves, all we have and all we are, in response to the coming of Christ. In his name, we make this offering.
Amen.**

***HYMN 84**

In the Cross of Christ I Glory

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***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:	Stu Brown	Steve Potter
Ushers:	Babe and Kevin McGuire	Nancy Vanzandt and David Parsons
Acolyte:		Taylor Vigil

Sunday, March 24, 2013

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun.	March 17	8:30 a.m.	Worship
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
		12:00 p.m.	Youth Group Lunch and Movie
Tues.	March 26	7:30 p.m.	Christian Education Committee
Wed.	March 27	10:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		7:30 p.m.	Choir
Thurs.	March 28	7:30 p.m.	Tennabrae Service

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.

New Adult Education Series begins after Easter: The Journey's End - Thinking About Dying, Grief, and The Funeral Someone wrote "We are alive, therefore we will die. This is the simplest, most obvious truth of our existence, and yet very few of us have really come to terms with it". This six weeks class provides participants with beginning steps in "coming to terms with" issues surrounding death and dying, grief, and how these realities are reflected in our Christian faith, especially in the funeral service as a service of worship, of remembrance, and of hope. The class will be led by our pastor, Rev. Debbie Parsons, LPC church member and Director of Capital Caring, Linda Rawlett, R.N. and bereavement counselor, Jamie Kosikoff-Kent.

One Great Hour of Sharing Sunday, March 31. This is a very special offering for people all around the world who are devastated by disaster, are hungry and/or need help in self-development. There will be envelopes provided for you. Please make your offering check to Leesburg Presbyterian Church, memo O.G.H.S. and simply place it in the offering plate. It will be sent to PC(USA).

FISHES AND LOAVES Our next opportunity to bring in canned goods or other non-perishable items for Loudoun Interfaith Relief will happen on Sunday, April 7th. So far we have brought in 304lbs of "good news". Many folks are very grateful. Thanks for sharing.

SAVE THE DATE! Community Service Family Day Real Food Farm, Baltimore, Sat. May 18, 2013, 9AM-12Noon. The Mission & Witness Committee is pleased to announce that we will be offering LPC members, families and friends the opportunity to learn about urban agriculture and the challenges of getting real (healthy) food to neighborhoods in the heart of Baltimore city. Tyler Brown, son of Kathy & Brad Brown and Farm Manager at RFF will direct several types of volunteer work projects on Saturday, May 18 from 9AM-12Noon at Real Food Farm, Historic Lake Clifton High School Campus, 2801 St. Lo Drive, Baltimore, MD 21213. Pot luck lunch at 12N. Volunteers who wish to carpool/drive in caravan will meet at LPC at 7:00AM for a 7:15AM departure. Please let us know if you would like to join us so that we can provide you with specific directions and coordinate car pools if possible. Look for the sign-up poster in Fellowship Hall or contact Kathy Brown, 703-777-4656, kbrown@lpcva.org.

Adult Education Video Series: "Jesus and the Gospels" concludes this week with "Gospel of Mark: Passion and Death."

Holy Week at Leesburg Presbyterian Church

Maundy Thursday, March 28

Tennabrae Service 7:30

Easter Sunday, March 31

Sunrise Service 6:30

Elder Frank Gasperini preaching

Easter Worship 8:30

Rev. Deborah Dodson Parson preaching

Easter Breakfast 9:15 - 10:00

Please see separate insert

Easter Egg Hunt 10:00

Children up to fifth grade bring your own basket and meet in the sanctuary.

Easter Worship 11:00

Rev. Deborah Dodson Parson preaching

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

The Back Pew The next issue of *The Back Pew*, LPC's (usually) monthly newsletter, will be published the second week of April and will cover events from April 10 to June 9. There will be a summer issue in mid-June. The deadline for submissions to the April issue is 9 am Tuesday, April 2. Please email articles to office@lpcva.org or drop them in the office. We will assemble the newsletter for mailing on Tuesday, April 9 at 10:30 am.

The Ministry of Hospitality – LPC style Help us help everyone to get connected on Sunday mornings at LPC! We need volunteers to assist with Sunday Morning Fellowship, serving in one of two shifts: 9:30 – 10:15 (After early service), or 10:15 – 10:50 (Before the 11:00 worship service). Please let us know when you can help by signing up at www.mysignup.com/lpcfellowship or call the office at 703-777-4163 if you prefer. Thank you for sharing this important ministry with us!

Choir Members Wanted As you may have noticed, our faithful musicians in the choir are looking for additional voices, especially in the men's section. All are welcome! We are also looking for new ensembles, vocal and/or instrumental, whether or not your schedule allows for participation in choir on a regular basis. Please see Becky Sweet, or email her at music@lpcva.org or just come!

Lenten Practice of Daily Prayer

March 24 – March 30

Household Prayer: Morning

This day give me a pure heart — that I may see Thee,
A humble heart — that I may hear Thee,
A heart of love — that that I may serve Thee
A heart of faith — that I may abide in Thee. Amen.

Household Prayer: Evening

Thank you, God, for the gift of this day.
If I remembered today my betrayals of you,
Remind me now of your steadfast love for me,
As I give this day into your hands and rest in peace. Amen.

The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, April 7, 2013, following the 11:00 worship service. The purpose of the meeting is to act on the Nominating Committee's nominations for deacons, elders, and the Endowment Committee for the Class of 2016, and for at-large members of the 2013-2014 Nominating Committee.

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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Dennis Welsh

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