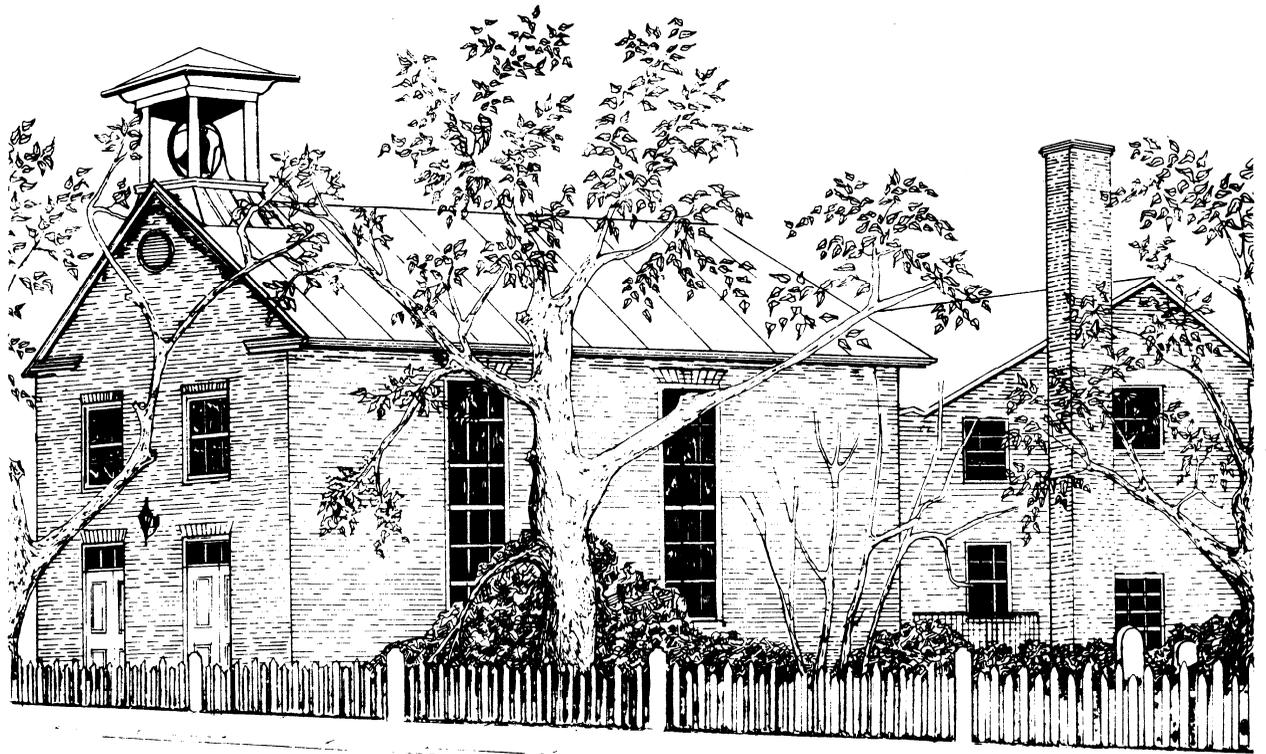


LEESBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

1804



April 7, 2013

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

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

2nd Sunday of Easter

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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

**Please stand if able*

PRELUDE

It Is Finished with Because He Lives

Gaither

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

People of God, we are witnesses to these things:

that Christ died, hanging on a cross;

that God raised him from the dead on the third day;

that he is coming again in glory to reign.

This is the good news we tell to all the world:

Jesus Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

***HYMN 113**

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today!

LLANFAIR

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION *(Unison)*

Alleluia! God, may all praise your name, for you have brought life out of death, and hope out of despair. You have raised Jesus Christ from the dead to be the first fruit of resurrection and the pledge of your victory of love over evil.

Wise God, you know our doubts, our fears, and our failures, which we bring to the tomb on Easter morning. Through your Spirit, nurture the small growth of hope, courage, and faith within us, that we may forever live to praise and serve you, in the name of Christ Jesus, in whom we pray. Amen.

(silence is kept)

Amen

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

RESPONSE #579

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, Amen.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Take Off Those Grave Clothes

Robert Olson

DOXOLOGY

OFFERTORY PRAYER

**We praise you, O God, and give you thanks
that you have given us such joy, such grace, and such hope,
in the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Lord.
Let our lives be proof of that good news.
Let all our words and actions, our love and service
bear witness to your resurrection power;
for the sake of our living Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

THE GOSPEL LESSON

John 20:19-31

pew bible p. 90

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE INVITATION

ANTHEM

*Do This and Remember Me
from "Once Upon a Tree"*

Pepper Choplin

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GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE SHARING OF THE MEAL

When you receive the bread, please wait until the pastor leads us to partake of it together. You are invited to partake of the cup as you are individually ready. The separately wrapped slice on each plate is gluten free.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***HYMN 119**

The Strife Is O'er

VICTORY

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Liturgists:	Frank Gasperini	Frank Gasperini
Ushers:	Linda and Bob Duffey	Evelyn Rollison and Nancy Blaine
Acolyte:		Tommy Seifart
Flowers:	Provided by the Wright family for the glory of God.	

**Leesburg Presbyterian Church
Congregational Meeting Agenda
April 7, 2013**

Open with Prayer

Declaration of Quorum (30 needed)

State Purpose of Meeting

- Special meeting to receive the report of the Nominating Committee and elect officers

Minutes from last Congregational Meeting (January 27, 2013)

- Approved by Session; motion to dispense with reading the minutes

Report from the Nominating Committee – Elder Frank Gasperini

Election of Officers and members of the 2013 Nominating Committee

Adjourn with Prayer

Sunday, April 7, 2013

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun.	April 7	8:30 a.m.	Worship
		9:45 a.m.	Church School
		11:00 a.m.	Worship
Mon.	April 8	7:00 p.m.	Preschool Board Meeting
		7:00 p.m.	Mission & Witness Committee Meeting
Tues.	April 9	9:00 a.m.	Moms Alive!
		7:30 p.m.	Worship Committee Meeting
Wed.	April 10	7:30 p.m.	Choir
		7:30 a.m.	Assoc Pastor Nominating Committee
Fri.	April 12	9:30 a.m.	Book Club

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: Barbara Drumm, Jane Wallace, Hal and Mary Lib Glovier. Our prayers are constant for the women and men of the Armed Forces and their families.

Thinking About Dying, Grief, and the Funeral

Sundays, 9:45 am

Someone wrote "We are alive, therefore we will die. This is the simplest, most obvious truth of our existence, and yet a truth very few of us have really come to terms with." This six weeks class provides participants with beginning steps in "coming to terms with" the spiritual, medical, and legal issues surrounding death and dying. We will also spend one session on the Christian funeral and participants will receive a worksheet to help them think about and even prepare for their own funeral, as a service of worship, remembrance and hope!

The class will be led by our pastor, Rev. Debbie Parsons; LPC church member and General Manager of Capital Caring, Linda Rawlett, R.N.; and Jamie Losikoff Kent, Grief and Bereavement Counselor.

April 7 - Death, the Christian Perspective, Rev. Debbie Parsons

April 14th - Advanced Directives and Options for Care When Facing a Life Limiting Illness, Linda Rawlett and Jamie Losikoff Kent.

April 21 - Grief and Loss, Jamie Losikoff Kent and Linda Rawlett

April 28th - The Christian Funeral: Preparing for our own, Rev. Debbie Parsons

May 5th - Sharing Reflections Funeral Notes, Rev. Debbie Parsons

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.

Choir Members Wanted 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!

Guess Who's Coming to Appetizers? Save the date! Saturday, May 4, you are invited to enjoy a memorable night of conversation and fellowship as we gather in small groups in members' homes. Singles and couples of all ages are encouraged to attend. Childcare will be available. More information and the opportunity to sign up will be in the bulletin beginning next week.

The Back Pew We will be preparing the newsletter for mailing on Tuesday, April 9 at 10:30 a.m. Please join us for about an hour if you are able to help. No experience necessary!

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

LUNCH & CONVERSATION about **BELIEVING & BELONGING**

TODAY after worship, 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.

The Session has called a congregational meeting for today, 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
Sharon Schmidt
Dennis Welsh

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