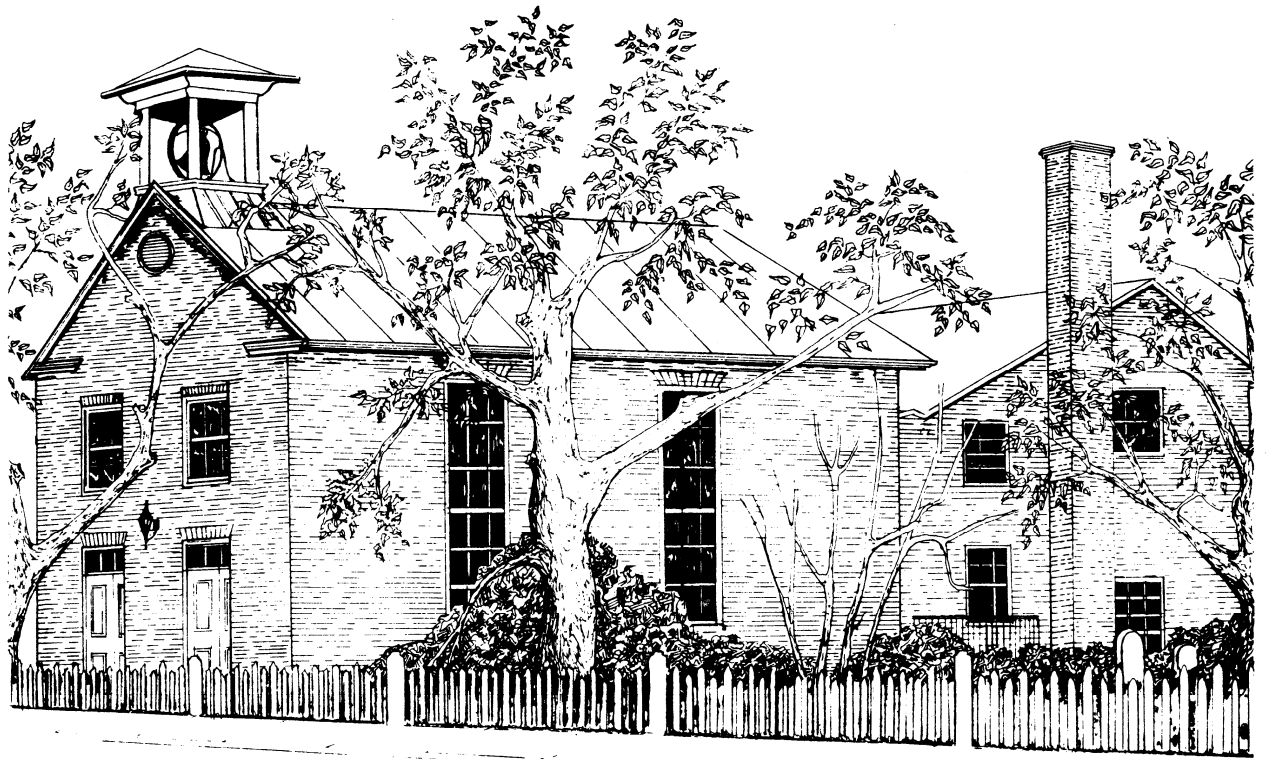


LEESBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

1804



September 29, 2013

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

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

**Please stand if able*

PRELUDE

Little Prelude in C Major

J. S. Bach

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

I Love You, Lord

Laurie Klein

**I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice
to worship you, O my soul rejoice.
Take joy, my King, in what you hear,
may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Praise the Lord, O servants of the Lord!

**Blessed be the name of the Lord
From this time on and forevermore.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting
The name of the Lord is to be praised.

**Blessed be the name of the Lord
From this time on and forevermore.**

***HYMN 138**

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

NICEA

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you know our sins:

We have squandered the gifts you have given us.

**We have failed to forgive our debtors
as you have forgiven us.**

In small things and great things, we have been unfaithful.

So often we are shrewd in seeking wealth but foolish in following your way.

Forgive our sins, O Lord.

**Make us faithful recipients
of the grace you have given
and generous in forgiving others.**

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE 356 *(verse 3)*

Nettleton

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

*PASSING THE PEACE

PRESENTATION OF BIBLES *(11:00)*

Receiving bibles are Erin Burnside, Brendan Cowen, Seth Gardner,
Ashleigh Goldstein, Megan Helge, Wesley McAfee, Bryce Milne, Julia Morris,
Shant Pamboukian, Timothy Siegel, Jackson Sweeney, Payton Vogan.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM *(11:00 - see next page)*

Christian and Laura Hoff present their daughter, Sophia Belle, to receive the
sacrament of baptism. *After the baptism children may be dismissed to Godly Play or
childcare in the nursery.*

SPECIAL MUSIC *(11:00)*

The Lord's Prayer
Sarah Baker, soloist

Mallott

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Deuteronomy 6: 4-12

pew bible pg. 163

SERMON

Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Chorale Prelude on "Be Thou My Vision"

H. Hopson

DOXOLOGY

*OFFERTORY PRAYER

God who gives life to all things, and richly provides us with everything,
use these, our offerings, for your grand and holy purposes in our lives
and in the life of the world. Amen.

*HYMN 555

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Poco Vivace

Hermann Schroeder

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 Christian and Laura. 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, Sophia. Keep her always in your love. Guide her as she grows in faith. Protect her in all the dangers and temptations of life. Bring her to confess Jesus Christ as her Lord and Savior and be his faithful disciple to her life's end. In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

BLESSING

Sunday, September 29, 2013
OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun.	September 29	5:30 p.m.	Youth Group
Mon.	September 30	7:00 p.m.	Associate Pastor Nominating Committee
Tues.	October 1	7:00 p.m.	Deacons
Wed.	October 2	6:00 p.m.	Manna
		7:30 p.m.	Emma Clemens/Ruth Circles
		7:30 p.m.	Choir
Thurs.	October 3	10:00 a.m.	Circle One

Children in 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.

Infants to 3 year olds – are cared for by two professional caregivers, Miss Pat and Miss Bonnie, in the nursery on the first floor of the education wing from 8:15 to 12:15. *Only parents* can drop off children at the nursery in order to communicate with providers. Drop off can happen before worship, after Time with Children message, or at any other time during the worship service. Ushers or the acolyte will be happy to show parents where the nursery is located.

4 year olds to 3rd grade – are invited to participate in *Godly Play* after the children's message. *Godly Play* provides age appropriate worship for children that helps them deepen their understanding of God through storytelling, hands-on activities and prayer. If children decide not to enter the *Godly Play* room, or are too young or too old for the designated age range, they will be accompanied by the acolyte back to the sanctuary and reunited with their parents.

4th grade and up – remain in the sanctuary to participate in the worship 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.

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

This Week's Music We welcome Jim Moon as our guest organist. He is well known in the area for both his excellent organ skills and the Jim Moon Band that plays at many local venues. Jim will be with us for the next 3 Sundays. Our guest soloist today is Sarah Baker. She is the sister of Laura Hoff and the Aunt of Sophia.

Intergenerational Women's Evening Bible Study Mondays, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., October 7 through December 2, Based on Beth Moore's video bible study *Esther: It's Tough Being a Woman*, led by LPC member, Nicole Morgenthau. The cost of participant's workbook is \$15. We need 6 registered participants before we place our order for the video series. Please e-mail Pastor Debbie (revdeb@lpcva.org) or Nicole (nlmorgenthau@gmail.com) to let us know if you plan to participate in this Bible Study—and you can drop off your check at the church office during the week or in the offering plate during Sunday worship. Please write check to LPC for \$15 with notation "Women's Bible Study" on the memo line.

Sunday Morning Adult Education We have two stimulating study series scheduled for the fall: *The Reformation and How It Came to America*, through October 6, taught by Dana Huntley; *Introduction to the Prophets*, October 20 - November 10, taught by John Sawyer

In Our Prayers we remember: Kathleen Franz, Harry Brown, 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.

Peacemaking Offering On October 6th our church receives the PC(USA) Peacemaking special offering. Please take a moment to read the insert in the bulletin. 25% will remain in Loudoun to support a local organization which targets high risk children and youth.

October 6th is the **Loaves and Fishes** Sunday. This allows us to share needed food with our neighbors who are hungry. Look for the baskets indicating where to leave your non-perishable food items. (canned meats/veggies are especially needed at this time.)

School Supplies In the past two weeks, two substantial boxes of school supplies were taken to the new Frederick Douglas Elementary School. The staff received the supplies with thanks, and they were eager to distribute items to the kids. Thank you all for your response to the need.

Emma Clemens/Ruth Circles Wednesday, October 2, 7:30 p.m. Emma Clemens and Ruth circles will meet Wednesday, October 2, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. in the church library. Everyone should have our new studybook, "An Abiding Hope." Let me know if you do not have one. Our 2nd lesson, "God's Call To Serve," will be led by Betty Lowenbach. Please read Exodus 2:11 - 4:17. Think about - As God called Moses, despite his hesitation, to serve, we too are called to service no matter how inadequate we may feel. All women are invited to join us. For more information call Shirley Pearson at 703-777-7425.

Circle One Thursday, October 3, 10:00 a.m. A time for informal study and conversation, circles are a great way to meet other women in the church. Circle One meets throughout the school year on the first Thursday of each month at 10 am at LPC.

LPC Book Club Monday, October 7, 9:30 a.m. Please join us for a variety of reading and enjoyable discussions - all are welcome, even if you haven't finished the book. We meet at 9:30 in the church lounge. Contact Jennifer Marsh with any questions.

October 7 (first Monday) *The Alchemist* by Paolo Coelho

The New Hymnbooks Are Coming. . . .

We expect the arrival of the new Presbyterian hymnbook, *Glory to God*, in just a few weeks. The Session has endorsed **THE HYMNAL DONATION PROJECT** where members can designate one of the new hymnals in memory of, or in honor of, a loved one whose name(s) will be written on a name plate placed on the inside cover of the new hymnal. The requested donation is \$20 and **special pink envelopes are in the pews** for your participation. Be sure to clearly write and correctly spell the name of the honoree on the envelope and circle the appropriate designation, "in honor of" or "in memory of."

There will be a hymnal dedication during worship on a Sunday in November.

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

	<u>8:30</u>	<u>11:00</u>
Liturgist	Tom Gurney	Ben Franklin
Ushers:	Dennis and Debbie Welsh	Don and Linda Gibson
Acolyte:		Tommy Seifart and Charlie Joyce
Flowers:	Provided by the Hoffs, in honor of Sophia's baptism.	

ELDERS

<u>2014</u>	<u>2015</u>	<u>2016</u>
Chris Folk	Trish Fraker	Todd Joyce
Randy Jackson	Frank Gasperini	Linda Rawlett
Steve Potter	Tom Gurney	Wynne Rodgers
Doug Sweeney	Keith Markel	Cameron Spivey

DEACONS

Glenna Bingham	Kristin Moats	Rebecca Caprio
Tom Chase	Florence O'Hey	Joan Elliott
Babe McGuire	Sharon Schmidt	Sofia Spivey
Nancy Vanzandt	Dennis Welsh	

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FALL MANNA 2013 Begins!

From Farm to Table: Nourishing The Body & the Spirit

October 2 – November 6

6:00pm – 6:40 pm Supper

- October 2** **The Mission of Eating Fresh, Healthy and Local**
Meal: Lasagna and Garlic Bread
- October 9** **The Mission of Gleaning and the St. Andrew Society**
Meal: Chicken Pot Pie
- October 16** **The Mission of Sharing Bounty in Loudoun County,**
Loudoun Interfaith Relief: Bud Elliot, LIR Board Member and LPCer
Meal: Homemade Quiches
- October 23** **The Hip Mission of Urban Farming, Tyler Brown,**
Tyler Brown, Farm Manager of Real Food Farm, Baltimore, (and son
of Brad & Kathy Brown!)
Meal: Pulled Pork, Baked Beans and Coleslaw
- October 30** **The Mission of a Local Church in Feeding the Hungry,**
Rev. Ashley Goff , assoc. pastor Church of the Pilgrims,
WashingtonD.C.
Meal: Soups and Grilled Cheese Sandwiches
- November 6** **Pot-Luck Dinner & the Sacrament of The Lord's Supper** shared at
dinner tables

All meals will be served with salad, fruit, and dessert.

Cost: \$4.00 for ages 6 and up. Children 0-5 eat for free. Family maximum is \$15.

OCTOBER 2 Manna Reservation

Name: _____

_____ **Adults & children 6 years plus**

_____ **0-5 years**

_____ **Yes, I need childcare.** **Ages of children:** _____