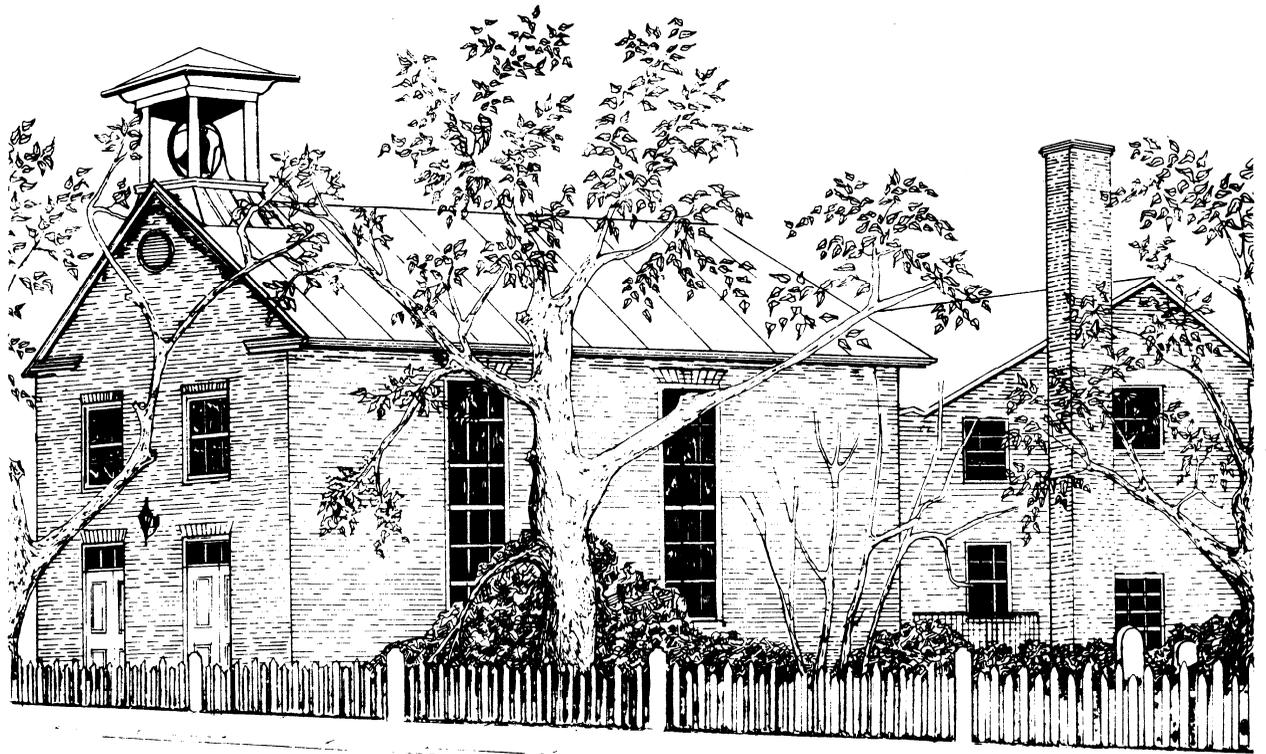


# LEESBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

1804



January 12, 2014

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

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

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PRELUDE

*Siciliano*

arr. Travers

**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 466**

*Come and Fill Our Hearts*

Berthier

**Come and fill our hearts with your peace.  
You alone, O Lord, are holy.  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace.  
Alleluia!**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Arise, shine; for your light has come and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.  
**For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;**  
But the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you.  
**Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.**  
Let us worship God.

**\*HYMN #744**

*Arise, Your Light Is Come!*

FESTAL SONG

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** (Unison)

**Merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you  
with our whole heart and mind and strength.  
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
In your mercy, forgive what we have been,  
help us amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be,  
that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name.**

*(silence is kept for personal prayer and confession)*

**Amen**

## ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

**\*RESPONSE 132**      *Good Christian Friends, Rejoice*      IN DULCI JUBILO  
**Good Christian friends, rejoice with heart and soul and voice;  
Now ye need not fear the grave: Jesus Christ was born to save!  
Calls you one and call you all to gain the everlasting hall.  
Christ was born to save! Christ was born to save!**

## \*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)

## THE OFFERING

**OFFERTORY**      *What Can We Bring*      Patterson  
**DOXOLOGY #606**      *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*      OLD HUNDREDTH  
**OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**Use our gifts, holy God, to sound a word of hope in our world. Lift up  
among us those lasting values that enrich lives and make them whole. To  
these ends, we dedicate our offerings and ourselves. Amen.**

**THE SCRIPTURE LESSON**      Jeremiah 31:7-14      pew bible p. 734

**SERMON**      "Radiating Light"      Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

**\*HYMN #152**      *What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright*      PUER NOBIS NASCITUR

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

### THE INVITATION

### 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.**

Let us pray ...

### THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION

**COMMUNION ANTHEM** (11:00)      *I Danced in the Morning*

### 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.*

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**Office Hours: Monday thru Thursday: 9-3; Friday: 9-2**

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**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.**

**\*HYMN #468**

*In My Life*

LORD, BE GLORIFIED

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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**SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

Worship at 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**ASSISTING:**    8:30 a.m.

Liturgists:    John Sawyer

Ushers:       Andy and Sheryl Tompkins

Acolytes:

11:00 a.m.

John Sawyer

Evelyn Rollison and Nancy Blaine

Isabelle Marsh and Charlie Joyce

**Sunday, January 12, 2013**  
**OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK**

<b>Mon.</b>	<b>January 13</b>	<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Book Club</b>
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>January 14</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Evangelism &amp; Membership Committee</b>
		<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Mission &amp; Witness Committee</b>
		<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Worship Committee</b>
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>January 15</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Choir</b>
		<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Emma Clemens/Ruth Circles</b>
<b>Fri.</b>	<b>January 18</b>	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Youngins Happy Hour</b>

**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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**4<sup>th</sup> 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@lpcva.org](mailto:prayer@lpcva.org) if you have a special need or concern you wish to share through a praying church.

**In Our Prayers** we remember: Kim Vigil, 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.

**Believing and Belonging** Friends, visitors and new members are invited to lunch and conversation about membership in Leesburg Presbyterian Church today after 11:00 worship. We'll discuss 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.

**2013 Pledges** If you wish to bring your pledge current for 2013, make a check payable dated prior to 12/31 and indicate in the memo line "2013 pledge" for credit in 2013. You may put a check in the offering plate this morning, or mail a check as soon as possible to the church office. Upon receipt, a new statement will be generated and mailed to you. Thank you!

**LPC Bookclub** will meet Monday, Jan. 13 at 9:30, to discuss the *Falling Leaves: Memoir of an Unwanted Chinese Daughter*. Also, please bring your ideas for the coming months' reading choices so we can get a jump on finding the books.

**OFFERING ENVELOPES** If you requested offering envelopes, they are on the pew in the front of the church. Please pick them up after worship.

**English as a Second Language** Would you like to assist people from other countries learn to speak and write English? The ESL program at Leesburg United Methodist Church is supported by more than 35 volunteers from LUMC, LPC and the Leesburg or Loudoun County communities. The instructional program is delivered in fall and spring sessions that are 10 weeks long. Classes during each session are held on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7 pm to 9 pm. Spring classes run from January 28 to April 3rd. If you would you like to assist people from other countries learn to speak and write English, please contact Leesburg United Methodist Church 703-777-2056, Wayne Reynolds 703-777-4793, or Kristyn Camacho 571-436-6341. No prior teaching experience is needed and training is available.

**Save the Date** The All-Church Chili Cook-Off will take place after the 11:00 service on Sunday, February 9. We hope everyone will join us!

# THE JESUS OF HISTORY

Taught by Dana Huntley

Sunday mornings – January 12<sup>th</sup> – February 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:45 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

## **The World into Which Jesus was Born**

What was 1<sup>st</sup>-century Palestine really like? How was life lived under Roman rule? What were the beliefs and practices of 1<sup>st</sup>-century Judaism? What would Jesus boyhood and youth have been growing up in Nazareth?

## **From Jerusalem to Rome: the Spread of the Early Church**

How did Jesus go from being a small-town carpenter in an insignificant village at the margin of the Roman Empire to being that Empire's God in 300 years?

## **The Church and Domination of the Western World in Jesus Name.**

How did Christians go from being the persecuted to the persecutors? In the medieval world and following, how could so much violence, hatred and injustice go on by people who claimed the name and teachings of Jesus?

## **Jesus in Our Own History: 7 Ways Jesus Made America**

To describe Jesus influence on world history would be an infinite task; here are some ways, however, that we can measure his influence on American history and on our culture today.

## **Jesus in the World Today**

How does Jesus impact our daily lives – even in ways we little realize? How is Jesus working in the history made today? How you can easily walk the footsteps of Jesus in Israel today.

## **Congregational Meeting**

**Sunday, January 26**

**12:00 p.m.**

Session has a called a congregational meeting on Sunday, January 26, 2014 after the 11:00 a.m. worship service for the purpose of receiving the 2013 annual report and information about the 2014 budget, and acting on a change of pastor's terms of call.

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Chris Folk  
Randy Jackson  
Steve Potter  
Doug Sweeney

2015

Trish Fraker  
Frank Gasperini  
Tom Gurney  
Keith Markel

2016

Todd Joyce  
Linda Rawlett  
Wynne Rodgers  
Cameron Spivey

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Tom Chase  
Babe McGuire  
Nancy Vanzandt

Kristin Moats  
Florence O'Hey  
Sharon Schmidt  
Dennis Welsh

Rebecca Caprio  
Joan Elliott  
Sofia Spivey

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