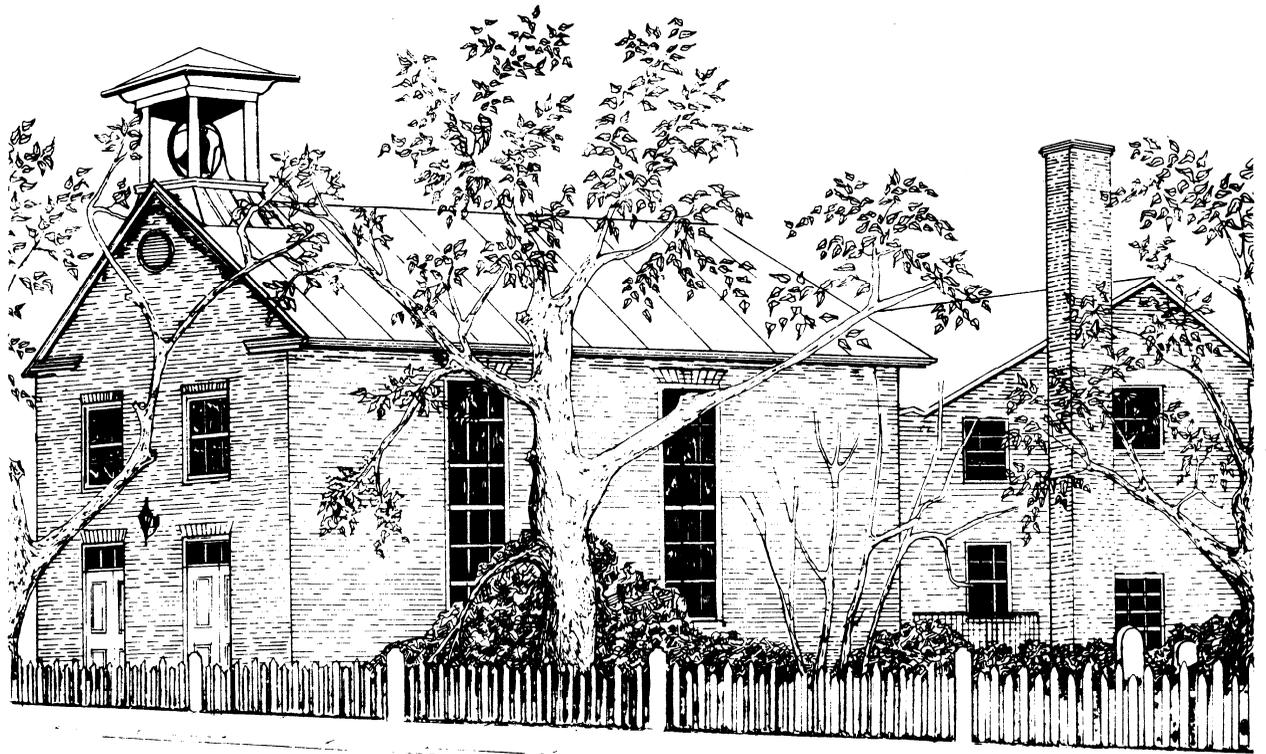


LEESBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

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January 19, 2014

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

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

PRELUDE

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 #743 *O God, You Are My God* **STEP BY STEP**

**O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.
O God, you are my God, and I will ever praise you.
I will seek you in the morning, and I will learn to walk in your ways.
And step by step you'll lead me, and I will follow you all of my days.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Isaiah 42:1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.

He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.

He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:

I am the LORD, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the LORD, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

***HYMN #263** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!* **CORONATION**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

***RESPONSE TO CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

How Deep the Father's Love

***THE PASSING OF THE PEACE**

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00 – see next page)

Chris and Shana Folk present their son, Hagan Christopher, to receive the sacrament of baptism.

During the Baptism children will remain seated with their parents. After the Sacrament, they will be escorted to Godly Play or nursery care.

SPECIAL MUSIC

Listen to the Word

THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 3:13-17

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SERMON

Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

***HYMN #482**

Baptized in Water

BUNESSAN

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

Adagio Cantabile

Beethoven

DOXOLOGY #15

All Creatures of Our God and King LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**O sisters, brothers, take your part,
and worship God with humble heart.**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!**

Sing praises! Alleluia!

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Might God, you have given us everything we have. You have granted us life, You have poured out abiding love on our behalf. We share out of this awareness, and because we care about people who do not know you, people who need your love. Bless our gifts to do the work you intend. Amen.

***HYMN #319**

Men of Faith, Rise Up and Sing

Martin Smith

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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

ASSISTING: 8:30 a.m.

11:00 a.m.

Liturgists: Brenda Bengtson

Randy Jackson

Ushers: Kathy and Brad Brown

Bud and Joan Elliott

Acolytes:

Owen Poisson and Calvin Sweeney

Flowers: Provided by the Folks in honor of Hagan's baptism.

THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

PRESENTATION

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Who is your Lord and Savior?

Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior.

Will you be Christ's faithful disciples, obeying his Word and showing his love?

I will, with God's help.

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 the saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

THE BAPTISM

INTRODUCTION TO CONGREGATION

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 Chris and Shana. 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, Hagan. Keep him always in your love. Guide him as he grows in faith. Protect him in all the dangers and temptations of life. Bring him to confess Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior and be His faithful disciple to his life's end; In the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

Sunday, January 19, 2013
OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Mon.	January 20		Office Closed
		11:00 a.m.	Monday Morning Stitchers
Tues.	January 21	7:00 p.m.	Evangelism & Membership Committee
		7:30 p.m.	Session
Wed.	January 22	7:00 p.m.	Choir
Fri.	January 24	9:00 a.m.	Mom's Alive!

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@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.

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.

STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING FOR LPC MEMBERS Monday evenings: 7:00 – 9:00—next door at Leesburg United Methodist Church. *Love one another as I have loved you...* Stephen ministry is a one-to-one lay caring ministry in which people develop special gifts for caring ministry and can put those gifts to use in an organized way, bringing the love and care of Jesus to those who most need it. The mission given to Stephen is described in the book of Acts chapter 6 verses one thru six. The twelve had a problem with the distribution of care and delegated that effort to Stephen and six other helpers while they continued to develop the church and teach the gospel. Stephen Ministers are such helpers, helping our brothers and sisters. We encourage all to take the training and then decide if you would like to be commissioned a Stephen minister or just use the knowledge gained in your everyday life. Training will begin on Monday evening, 26th. Contact Debbie Parsons to sign up, or for more information.

The Back Pew The deadline for submission to the February issue of LPC's monthly newsletter, *The Back Pew*, is Tuesday, January 21. Please email articles to office@lpcva.org. Volunteers are needed to help prepare the newsletter for mailing on Wednesday, January 29 at 10:30 am. No experience necessary.

THE JESUS OF HISTORY

Taught by Dana Huntley

Sunday mornings – January 12th – February 23rd 9:45 a.m.

Fellowship Hall

The World into Which Jesus was Born

What was 1st-century Palestine really like? How was life lived under Roman rule? What were the beliefs and practices of 1st-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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Save the Date

Sunday, February 9
12:00 p.m.

Dust off your favorite chili recipe. Sign-up begins next week. This is an all-church event. We hope everyone will join us!



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2014

Chris Folk
Randy Jackson
Steve Potter
Doug Sweeney

2015

Trish Fraker
Frank Gasperini
Tom Gurney
Keith Markel

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Cameron Spivey

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Kristin Moats
Florence O'Hey
Sharon Schmidt
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