

LEESBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

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June 22, 2014

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

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

Second Sunday after Pentecost

9:30 a.m.

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

**Please stand if able*

PRELUDE

Invocation (Prayer)

René Vierne

THE GREETING OF GOD'S PEOPLE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you are sitting at the end of a pew, please start the friendship register by signing it and passing it to your neighbor.

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 #288**

Spirit of the Living God

LIVING GOD

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me

Melt me; mold me, fill me, use me.

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Sing for joy, heavens and earth; break forth O mountains, into singing! Our Creator has comforted the people and will have compassion for the ones who are suffering. **Come out! The imprisoned shall have freedom. Show yourselves! Those who live in darkness will see the light of day.**

God will feed you and protect you; God will guide you and ease your way.

Glory be given to our Protector because God will never forget us; we are inscribed in the palm of God's hands!

Sing for joy!

The Comforter has love and compassion for us.

***HYMN #238**

Good Christians All, Rejoice and Sing

MACCABEUS

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Compassionate God, you know the purposes of our hearts and the will of all creation. Hear with mercy our confession that we have not cared for Earth and all creatures as you meant for us to do; we have not cared for one another as you have commanded; we have not loved ourselves with the regard that honors wholeness and peace of mind. Be our guide, our judge, our joy. Show us the way of your life abundant, and turn us always to that path so that we may live and move in renewed commitment to what is just and good. We beg this in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE # 620

Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven
Praise my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven
Evermore his praises sing;
Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

LAUDA ANIMA

*THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

ANTHEM

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above

Melchior Vulpus

The Scripture Lesson: **Genesis 21: 8-21**

Pew Bible p. 17

SERMON

Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—THE APOSTLE’S 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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

CALL FOR THE OFFERING

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OFFERTORY

Méditation Religieuse

Henri Mulet

*DOXOLOGY

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

For all that you have given us, we thank you, gracious God. May our lives and our offerings become nurture fo this world. In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen

Commissioning of the Mission Team to Mingo County, West Virginia

*Brad Brown, Kienan Donnelly, Collin Goldstein, Randy Jackson,
Sara & Richard Koochagian, Cassie & Rissa McGill, Caroline McKinney,
Debbie Parsons, Owen Poisson, Matthew & Emma Renner, Sofia Spivey,
Sarah & James Vasile*

We are on a mission in the name of Jesus Christ.

Go into the world.

We'll take the love and support of our church.

Serve the people with gladness!

We'll see things that make us uncomfortable.

Go into the world.

We'll take off the blinders that shield our eyes from poverty and need that shatters human lives and discourages the human spirit.

Serve the people with gladness!

We'll do what Jesus has called us to do.

Go into the world.

We're servants of Christ.

Serve the people with gladness!

We need your prayers.

Go into the world.

HYMN # 300

We are One in the Spirit

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE

Chaconne

Louis Couperin

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

9:30 a.m.

Liturgist: Ben Franklin
Ushers: Brad and Kathy Brown
Flowers: Given by Esther Wood, in memory of her husband,
Henry Nelson Wood.

Sunday, June 22, 2014

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Wed. June 25

Choir 7:15 pm

Today's Service Music

Prelude – **Invocation (Prayer)**

Our three organ voluntaries were all written by French composers. The prelude by René Vierne (1878-1918) is a prayer of invocation, #3 from a set of 10 pieces “in diverse styles” for organ or harmonium (reed organ). René, the younger brother of the famous composer/organist Louis Vierne, won honors while a student at the Paris Conservatory and held two important posts as organist at churches in Paris. Unfortunately he was called up during WW II and was killed by Austrian shrapnel while barely thirty years old.

Anthem – **All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above** (1609)

Melchior Vulpus (1570-1615) was a German singer and composer of Lutheran church music. In 1596 he was appointed municipal cantor in Weimar, but he is remembered chiefly for his hymn settings and original hymn tunes (see #38, #61 and #239 in our pew hymnals). Early on he and his brother Latinized their German surname Fuchs (fox) to Vulpus. His hymn tune *Lobet den Herrn, ihr* (1609) is here paired with a text by Johann J. Schütz (1640-1690). Our anthem was arranged by Ludwig Lenel (1914-2002), who was half-Jewish. He was the last of his family to leave Germany in 1939, relocating to the USA, where he studied at Oberlin Conservatory, going on to become professor of music at Muhlenberg College in Allentown, PA.

Offertory – **Méditation Religieuse** (1896)

Cellist, organist and composer Henri Mulet (1878-1967) lived to age 88 but composed music during a span of only 15 years. He grew up in the Paris neighborhood of Montmartre in the shadow of the great Basilica of the Sacré-Cœur, where both his parents were employed as keyboardists. Eventually Henri took a job there playing harmonium, but he soon became disgusted with the modern trends in sacred music and liturgy in Paris and left the city for Provence, living out his life as a forgotten recluse.

Postlude – **Chaconne**

Louis Couperin (1626-1661) was the founder of the great Couperin dynasty of French composers associated with the church of St-Gervais in the center of Paris, where the Couperin family of organists occupied an apartment in a corner of the church building for more than 175 years. A brilliant harpsichordist, Louis developed a special notation for a style of harpsichord composition “without meter”, using only whole notes arranged in groups and connected by graceful curves. A chaconne is a Baroque composition consisting of variations on a set harmonic progression. This piece started out as a harpsichord composition and was later given this grand arrangement by Frenchman Joseph Bonnet (1884-1944), who moved to the United States, where in 1921 he founded the prestigious organ department of the Eastman School of Music in Rochester.

Meeting Today—Trip to Staunton, VA August 18, 19, 20

There will be a brief meeting after worship today in the front of the sanctuary for those who are interested, or have already signed up for, our trip of Staunton, VA.

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.

NURSERY CARE is provided from 8:15am to 12:15pm for infants through 3 year olds. Miss Pat and Miss Angie are our professional caregivers. Children can be dropped off in the Nursery, located at the east end of the first floor of the Education Wing. We ask that only parents drop off their children before worship or after the Time with the Children during worship.

GODLY PLAY is offered from 11:20am to 12:00pm, for children age 4 to 3rd grade. Children are dismissed to Godly Play immediately after the Time with the Children. Godly Play provides age appropriate worship for children, which helps them deepen their understanding of God through storytelling, hands-on activities, and prayer. Our acolytes will escort children to Godly Play.

Congregational Meeting

The Session has called a congregational meeting immediately after the worship service on Sunday, June 29, to hold the annual meeting of the Leesburg Presbyterian Church, Inc. All members are encouraged to attend this brief meeting.



Celebrate Our Acolytes!

Join us on Sunday, June 29 for the recognition and celebration of our awesome acolytes! During our service we will be recognizing those completing their first year, those completing their second year, and those going off! Then we will celebrate outside with a special cake...or two! Come join us!

Scholarships—The Endowment Committee will again be offering scholarships to college students for the 2014-2015 school year. Monies for these scholarships are made available through church trusts. Applications are available outside the church office and must be returned **no later than August 1st**. Please contact Betty Lowenbach at below@verizon.net if you have any questions.

SAVE THE DATES!
SUMMER MOVIE MEET-UPS
JULY 10th AND AUGUST 14th



Grace 2 Go Volunteers are needed for the Sunday, July 6, Grace to Go mission. Volunteers meet at Deli South from 1:30-3:30 to prepare meals for distribution in the community. This is a holiday weekend for many but we are still hoping to fill all our volunteer spaces. You may volunteer by signing the G2G sheet on the bulletin board in the church hallway or by emailing the Frakers at fraker1@verizon.net.

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Recycle Your Printer Cartridges Do you recycle your ink/toner cartridges from your home computer? If so, keep it up. If not, donate them to the church. Just drop them on the desk in the front office and we'll take care of the rest. The church receives \$2 credit per cartridge we recycle and will use the proceeds for office supplies.

Mailing list Interested in receiving a weekly reminder of all things LPC? Did you receive a copy of the *Back Pew* at home this month? Maybe your address, phone number, or email address has changed? Please call or email the office so we are up to date. 703-777-4163, office@lpcva.org.

SUMMER AT LPC

Worship service at 9:30am. Childcare will still be available.

Summer Choir Schedule Three Sundays: July 6, 13 and 27
Ever wanted to sing in our choir, but couldn't commit to a regular schedule? Join us for one or all of our Summer Choir Sundays. We'll gather in the choir loft at 9:00 a.m. to rehearse an easy anthem and review service music prior to the 9:30 service. Invite your friends, guests, children and parents for inter-generational fun -- the only requirements are that you can carry a tune (you do not need to read music). Questions? Contact our Director of Music, Terry Sisk, at terrysisk@aol.com.

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2016

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