

LEESBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

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October 26, 2014

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

Presbyterian Church (U.S.A)

Order of Worship for the 20th Sunday after Pentecost 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
When the church bell is rung, let us be silent for worship.

**Please stand if able*

PRELUDE

Highland Cathedral

Korb & Roever

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.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.

In you we live, move, and have our being.

Before you laid the foundation of the earth, before you came to us in Jesus Christ,
You chose us to be a royal priesthood, a kingdom that lives for your Gospel.

In you, we gather and find shelter under your protecting wing.

You - O God - are a mighty fortress for your people, for you are the author and perfecter of our salvation.

***HYMN # 275**

"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

EIN' FESTE BURG

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, you command that we confess, and so we say we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves; we have not honored your creation; we have judged unjustly, regarded others ungenerously, we have left undone those things you would have us do; we have borne grudges, desired vengeance, and kept silence in the face of wrongdoing. Your gospel declares your forgiveness to us, and yet we have withheld forgiveness from others. Forgive us, Lord, and we will be a new people, and this day we will seek to be gracious, loving, and gentle again. *(time for silent, personal confession)* Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

***RESPONSE # 366**

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" (Verse 1)

HYFRYDOL

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down, fix in us thy humble dwelling; all thy faithful mercies crown.

Jesus thou art all compassion; pure unbounded love thou art; visit us with thy salvation; enter every trembling heart.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

TIME WITH CHILDREN

ANTHEM *For Where Love Is, There Is God* Douglas Wagner

THE SCRIPTURE LESSON Ephesians 6:10-18 Pew bible, p. 195

SERMON Rev. James F. Cubie

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - Question One, The Heidelberg Catechism

What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

That I belong - body and soul, in life and in death - not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott* Pachelbel

***DOXOLOGY**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

God of mercy and grace, we thank you that you sent your Son to save and heal us. We thank you for the gift of the Holy Spirit, dwelling in our hearts, slowly remaking us in your image. We thank you for the ways in which your people have cared for each of us. And now, we offer these, our gifts, and ask you to bless them to your use, and us to your loving and faithful service. Amen.

***HYMN # 450** *"Be Thou My Vision"* SLANE

***CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE *Ein' feste Burg ist unser Gott* Max Reger

TODAY'S SERVICE MUSIC

Prelude – **Highland Cathedral**

Most people assume that the piping tune Highland Cathedral is a traditional Scottish melody. Truth be told, it did not see the light of day until 1982, when two Germans, bagpiper Michael Korb and composer/producer Uli Roever, wrote it for a Highland Games held in Germany that year. Although the two were convinced that they had written something enduring, they were unable to get it published. The title refers to the Church of Scotland congregation of St. Columba in Glasgow, established in 1770. Their current Gothic Revival church building, dedicated in 1904, is popularly known as the Highland Cathedral, because of its large size and association with the Gaelic language and culture. The church still holds a service in Gaelic every Sunday. Trivia: bagpipes can play in only one key (E-flat), and while a pipe organ is no substitute for a bagpipe, I will play it in the key of E-flat as a tip of the hat to bagpipers, all of whom play this recently composed “traditional” melody.

Choral anthem – **For Where Love Is, There Is God**

Douglas E. Wagner, born in 1952 in Chicago, has crafted a prolific career as a composer, educator, editor, conductor and church organist. His anthem is based on the ancient Latin text, “Ubi caritas” (Where Charity and Love Prevail, There Is God), which dates from early Christian gatherings before the formalization of the Mass. Hundreds of composers have been inspired to write choral anthems based upon this enduring text. Trivia: University of Aberdeen (Scotland) music professor Paul Mealor’s choral setting of this text was used during the 2011 ceremony of the marriage of Prince William and Catherine Middleton.

Offertory – **Ein’ feste Burg ist unser Gott**

German religious reformer Martin Luther (1483-1546) wrote both the words and music for “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God,” which first appeared in the 1530 hymnal of Andrew Raushel. Luther’s hymn text, based on Psalm 46, is known as the “Battle Hymn of the Reformation,” for the effect it had in increasing the support for the reformers’ cause. Today’s offertory is from a set of organ variations composed by Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706), known to most for his popular Canon in D for string ensemble. Pachelbel spent his entire musical career in southern Germany, never straying a great distance from his native Nürnberg (Bavaria). He was a noted performer and composer for the organ, and his greatest musical output was based on Protestant hymn tunes.

Postlude – **Ein’ feste Burg ist unser Gott**

Our postlude, based on Luther’s “A Might Fortress Is Our God,” comes from the pen of Max Reger (1873-1916), a prolific German composer of organ music in a chromatic style typical of composers of the Romantic period. The hymn tune appears throughout in the pedal, which states the melody just one time, making for a short but rousing close to our Reformation Sunday service.

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.

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.

At the 8:30am and 11:00 am services, we ask children who are in 4th grade and above to remain in the sanctuary to participate in worship.

Children in Church School

Church School is offered between our two services of worship from 9:45am to 10:45am for children age 3 to 5th grade. Church School takes place in the Education Wing, and is led by members and parents, who serve our children and their families in this vital ministry. We have three classes: Preschool meets downstairs in Rm. 4, Kindergarten-2nd grade meet upstairs in Rm. 3, and 3rd-5th grade meet upstairs in Rm. 2.

Youth Group is held every Sunday evening, upstairs in the Fellowship Hall, from 5:30 to 7:15pm. Our Youth Group is for 7th-12th graders. Each night we have games, food, a short study or devotion, and end with a game of choice. If you would like a calendar of Youth Group events, please contact Pastor James: revjames@ipcva.org. Laura Herring, Wes Rhodes, and Pastor James are the adult leadership, and our meals are provided by Youth Group parents.

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.

WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

ASSISTING:	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Liturgists:	Jim Ruddell	Pam Poisson
Ushers:	Linda & Bob Duffey	Nancy Vanzandt & David Parsons
Acolytes:		Charlie Joyce and Bailey Vigil

Sunday, October 26, 2014

OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday—Worship at 8:30am & 11:00am

Adult Education 9:45am

Youth Group 5:30pm

Wednesday, October 29—LIFT meeting 7:00pm

Thursday, October 30 - Choir 7:30pm

REMINDER: DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS NOVEMBER 2!

**LOAVES AND FISHES COLLECTION
NEXT SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 2**



We need USHERS! Our immediate need is for ushers for the **second** Sunday of each month at the 8:30am service. If you would like to join this important ministry, please talk to Pastor Debbie or contact the church office at 703-777-4163.

Circle One will meet on Thursday, November 13 at 10:00a.m. We welcome all women to join us for bible study. Our lesson is ***Covenants and God's Enduring Faithfulness*** (2 Corinthians 3:1-4:6), exploring Paul's reference to "old and new covenants" and how they influence our understanding of different faith traditions.



SAVE THE DATE

Guess Who's Coming to Appetizers?

Saturday, November 8 6-8PM

**An unforgettable night of delicious food,
stimulating**

conversation and lots of fun!

RSVP inserts are in your bulletin today.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW! A ***Change*** in Sunday morning worship on **December 14th** – **The Christmas Cantata**—9:30 AM and 11:15 am. Watch for details coming in our special Christmas Newsletter edition.

All Saints Day Sunday, November 2

In keeping with tradition, on Sunday, November 2, we will read aloud the names of loved ones who died during the previous 12 months. If you would like the name of a loved one or friend to be read aloud, please write it on the list outside the office or email it to office@lpcva.org.

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS LED BY OUR PASTORS

***Making Sense of the Bible with short video presentations by
Adam Hamilton
A Six-Week Series***

Making Sense of the Old Testament – Nov. 2

Making Sense of the New Testament- November 9

Making Sense about the Nature of Scripture – November 16

The Bible and Science- November 23

Violence, Suffering, and Other Troubling Issues – November 30

Wrestling with Issues of Sexuality and Relationships – December 7

Heads UP! The Holiday Coalition Christmas Giving Tree will be set up in the back of the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, November 9th. All gifts must be under the tree by Sunday, November 30th, the first Sunday in Advent. More in the November Newsletter.

Mailing list Interested in receiving a weekly reminder of all things LPC? Wondering where your copy of *The Back Pew* is? Has your address, phone number, or email address changed? Please call or email the office so we are up to date. 703-777-4163, office@lpcva.org.

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2
2:00 AM

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2016

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Jim Ruddell
Sheryl Tompkins

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Joan Elliott
Sofia Spivey
Krista Ritsema

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