

May 23, 2010

PENTECOST

8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

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

*\*Please stand if able.*

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**THE PRELUDE**      *Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart/Worship Suite*      arr. Sprunger

**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.

**INTROIT**

*The Lone, Wild Bird*  
*Soloist (8:30-Kim Vigil; 11:00 Renate Neely)*

**THE CALL TO WORSHIP (remain seated)**

Acts 2: 1-6

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.

**And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.**

Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them.

**All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.**

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem.

**And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in their own native language.**

**\*HYMN 127**

*Come, O Spirit*

BOUNDLESS MERCY

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**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,  
so that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your holy name.**

(A time of silence for personal prayer)

**Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

## Sunday, May 23, 2010

### OPPORTUNITIES FOR THIS WEEK

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>May 23</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>
		<b>9:45 a.m.</b>	<b>Church School for All Ages</b>
		<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Worship</b>
		<b>12:15 p.m.</b>	<b>Fellowship</b>
		<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Children's Musical followed by Ice Cream Social</b>
<b>Tues.</b>	<b>May 25</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Mom's Alive!</b>
<b>Wed.</b>	<b>May 26</b>	<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	<b>Mission Speaker/Luncheon</b>
		<b>7:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Choir</b>

**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 to you about our life and ministry, we appreciate you filling out the attendance register. The Session meets after each service on the First Sunday of the month to receive new members at the front of the sanctuary. 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.

**Children and Balcony Pews!!**—Because the safety of our young children matters deeply to all of us, we strongly encourage that little ones do not sit in the front row of the balcony. Help us keep children safe by choosing another pew for all children under the age of 10.

**Child Care & Share-the-Care**—In *Noah's Ark*, infants and toddlers (birth to 4 years) are cared for by two professional caregivers from 8:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. *Share-the-Care* during the 11:00 service is staffed by adult and youth volunteers. Children age 4 thru 1st grade are escorted downstairs, following "Time With The Children." If you are able to assist in the Share-the-Care program, please contact Karen Werner at [dce@lpcva.org](mailto:dce@lpcva.org)

**In Our Prayers** we remember: Mary Elizabeth Williams, Kim Vigil, Nannette Grimes, Ginny Boerlin, and Anne Greene. Our prayers are constant for the women and men of the Armed Forces and their families.

**Prayer Chain:** *Prayer requests* are confidentially and conscientiously lifted to God by members of the Prayer Chain every day. Please contact Fran Wingardner (540-338-3167) or email [prayer@lpcva.org](mailto:prayer@lpcva.org) if you have a special need or concern you wish to share through a praying church.

**Pew Postcards**—If you wish to send a note to a member of our congregation, please write your message on the white postcard and put it in the offering plate. The office will address it and mail it out for you.

**Adult Church School – The Misunderstood Jew.** Join John Sawyer continues the class in the discussion of Jewish scholar Amy-Jill Levine's book, *The Misunderstood Jew*. As one book reviewer stated: "Levine shows how Christians often misunderstand Judaism in general, misunderstand the New Testament in particular, and thus yank Jesus out of his Jewish context. Levine offers a unique, deeper understanding of who Jesus was and what he taught." Class meets in the Memorial Lounge.

**Children's Musical Tonight followed by Ice Cream Social!** The children's choir will present "Assignment—Life!" tonight at 6:00 p.m. Birthday cake and an ice cream social will follow the musical. Come and join the fun!

**Mom's Alive**—Mothers with children of all ages meet on Tuesday morning at 9:00-11:00 a.m. here at the church. Our mission is to provide a social and supportive atmosphere for mothers in a Christian setting through fellowship, education and outreach. If you have questions you may contact Sarah Jones at [MASecretary@lpcva.org](mailto:MASecretary@lpcva.org) or Lauren Vogan at [MAPublicRelations@lpc](mailto:MAPublicRelations@lpc).

**Vacation Bible School Registration**—Have you registered your child/children for Vacation Bible School yet? We are upstairs in the fellowship hall all morning to receive the registrations.

**The National Capital Presbytery** asks us to pray during the month of May for our mission partners in Asia and the Pacific and the churches who support them. This week, please pray for those in Papua New Guinea and the Philippines. Both the Lewinsville and Neelsville Churches support missionaries, translating the Bible in local languages and other work. See the poster on the Mission and Witness bulletin board for information about their projects.

**Leesburg Presbyterian Church Preschool 2010 Registration**—LPCP is busy registering students for the Fall of 2010. We are excited to be working with the Core Knowledge curriculum for the third year and will be offering a Young Two's class (2 by September 30), an Older Two's class (2 1/2 by September 30), AM and PM Threes (with a four-day afternoon option) and AM and PM Fours classes. LPCP will also be offering year-round Enrichment Lunch Bunch twice a week for the Three's and Four's. If you are interested in learning more about our wonderful school, please visit the LPCP office or call 703-771-1461.

**LPCamP**—Leesburg Presbyterian Church Preschool is thrilled to be offering two one-week sessions of camp for current Threes (Three by 9-09-10) and Fours (Four by 9-09-10)! You do not have to be a LPCP student to enroll! Camp will meet in the school from 9:00-11:30 four or five mornings a week (June 1-4 and June 7-11). Each week will feature a different topic; Cooking Fun, Beach Time and Mad Science. Please call 703-771-1461 if you would like more information or to pick up a registration form.

**The Youth Group** will meet at 5:00 p.m. tonight in the Fellowship Hall to help with the Ice Cream Social following the Children's Musical.

**Pentecost Offering—May 23, 2010**—The PCUSA special offerings have met critical needs for people throughout the world. The Pentecost Offering each year focuses on high risk children and this year is no exception given the natural and man-made catastrophes around the world. For the next several weeks a special insert is included in the Sunday bulletin. Please take a few moments to consider your gifts. Forty percent (40%) of this offering remains for our church to use for a local organization R.O.C.K. (Recreation Outreach to Community Kids) a partnership between the Town of Leesburg Parks and Recreation and the Leesburg Police. The Vision is to “offer a successful recreation based program, after school and through the summer, that keeps youth safe and provides positive experiences to children ages 5-12. An offering envelope has been provided in the church newsletter for your gift.

**College Graduate Recognition**—If you have a college student who graduated in December 2009, or who is graduating this Spring, please contact Donita Petersen at [Donita510@yahoo.com](mailto:Donita510@yahoo.com). LPC will be recognizing all of our college graduates.

**Advanced Education Funds—Parents & Students:** There are funds available through gifts given in the past in which the growth and income is designated for Advanced Education. The funds are managed by the Endowment Committee (formerly Trustees). The funds available for this used are from the Gilmour Congregation Fund, the Margaret Titus Dudley Trust and the H. Stanley Newman Estate. An application is required and can be picked up at the Church Office. (There are also some applications on the small table outside the office.) Applications must be returned to the church to the attention of Hal Glovier by **August 1, 2010.**

**Special Guest Speaker**  
**May 26, 2010**  
**10:00AM-12:30 PM**

**Rev. Debbie Chase**

On Wednesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, we will have the privilege of hosting Rev. Chase who has returned from Malawi and is speaking to the churches in National Capital Presbytery. She has been in Malawi serving as a missionary since 1999. She has been a lecturer and educator with the Livingstonia Synod and has wonderful experiences to share. Please join us for her presentation and a light luncheon.

**Please let the Church office know of your coming. It will be an interesting and informative experience for all of us.**

**\*THE GLORIA PATRI 579**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

**TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (11:00)**

**CHILDREN'S ANTHEM (11:00)**      *Resurrection Power*      Cathy Skogen-Soldner

**THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**      Acts 2: 37-47      Pew Bible Pg. 120

**SERMON**      "Spirit Weaving"      Rev. Deborah Dodson Parsons

**ANTHEM**      *There Is a Redeemer*      arr. Bruce Greer

**\*PRAYER OF PENTECOST**

Creator God, who came to us as Jesus the Christ and who fills us with the Holy Spirit, breathe in us anew this day.

**(singing the following adaptation to "Spirit of the Living God")**

**Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us, Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us. Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us. Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us.**

Living God, as we celebrate the birthing of the church on this Pentecost Sunday, we remember the faithful ministry of our forebears who toiled to establish our congregation as a beacon of hope in this community. Breathe your Spirit in us as we seek to keep their legacy of faith alive in this new day and age.

**Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us, Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us. Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us. Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us.**

Living God, as we rededicate our commitment to minister in the name of Christ, we give thanks for your life-sustaining presence that renews our calling to be the hands and feet of mission. Breathe your Spirit in us as we strive to bring the gospel alive in this new day and age.

**Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us, Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us. Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us. Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us.**

Gracious God, empower us as a congregation to speak boldly and to act courageously on the journey of ministry that lies before us, affirming our heritage and proclaiming our hope. Breathe your Spirit in us as we strive to bring the gospel alive in this new day and age.

**Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us, Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us. Melt us, mold us, fill us, use us. Spirit of the Living God, breathe afresh on us.**

**\*THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**OFFERTORY** *O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing* arr. Hayes/Gaspard

**\*THE DOXOLOGY No 592**

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION:** Amazing God, when there are dry-bones times in our lives, we can look to you for new breath and hope and renewal of life. Your Spirit comes, and we are lifted up and linked to one another. We bring our offerings as an expression of thanksgiving for all your gifts. May your glory be proclaimed in all we give and all we do. Amen.

**\*HYMN 398** *There's a Sweet, Sweet Spirit in this Place* SWEET, SWEET SPIRIT

**\*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**\*CHORAL RESPONSE** *Bind Us Together, Lord* *Bob Gillman*  
Bind us together, Lord,  
Bind us together with cords that cannot be broken.  
Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord.  
Bind us together in love.

**POSTLUDE** *Please join us in the Fellowship Hall  
immediately following the Worship Services.  
All are welcome!*

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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

<b>ASSISTING TODAY:</b>	<u>8:30 a.m.</u> Liturgist: Tom Gurney Ushers: Kevin & Babe McGuire Acolyte:  Fellowship: Deacons	<u>11:00 a.m.</u> Chuck Rodgers The Spivey Family Matthew Renner and Grace Howard The LaBahn Family
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**FLOWER ARE GIVEN BY** Becky Sweet in memory of her parents, Fred & Shirley Becker In whom the Spirit of God surely dwelled.

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