



LOWER BRANDYWINE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Welcoming All,
Worshipping Christ,
Working to Share
God's Love!

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Twenty Third Sunday after Pentecost

October 27, 2024

10:00 AM

**Please stand in body or in spirit*

We Gather in God's Name

Personal Prayer of Preparation

My God, my Father and my Savior, you have been pleased to preserve me by your grace through the night and you have brought me to this new day. Grant that I may use it entirely in your service, that I may think, say, and do nothing but to please you and to obey your holy will. May all my actions be to the glory of your name and to the service of others. And just as you cause the sun to shine on the world to give physical light, let your Holy Spirit illumine my mind to guide me in the way of righteousness. In everything I do, let my goal and intention always be to walk reverently and to honor and serve you, relying only on your blessing for my well-being, and undertaking only what is pleasing to you. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Hymn No. 399 (Sung 2X) God Welcomes All *Themba Amen*

God welcomes all, strangers and friends;
God's love is strong and it never ends.

Prelude What a Friend We Have in Jesus *Cota*

* Call to Worship

One: Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

All: Amen.

One: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**All: *Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,***

One: Though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**All: *God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.***

One: "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations;
I am exalted in the earth."

All: *The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge*

One: Let us worship the living God!

* **Hymn No. 311 (v. 1)** Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather *Toyko*

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (*The congregation uniting*)

***Behold, Lord, an empty vessel that needs to be filled. My Lord, fill it.
I am weak in the faith; strengthen me.***

***I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent,
that my love may go out to my neighbor.***

***I do not have a strong and firm faith;
at times I doubt and am unable to trust you altogether.***

O Lord, help me. Strengthen my faith and trust in you. In you I have sealed the treasure of all I have. I am poor; you are rich and came to be merciful to the poor. I am a sinner; you are upright. With me, there is an abundance of sin; in you is the fullness of righteousness. Therefore, I will remain with you, of whom I can receive, but to whom I may not give. (a time of silence) Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Assurance

Hymn No. 848 (v. 1 Sung 2X)

Trust in God

Song 13

We Hear God's Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

John 14:1-7

N.T. pg. 95

Anthem

Help Me Jesus

Bonnemère

Parable Time

Anthem

Peace Before Us

Haas

Message

Reading the Words with Love

We Respond to God's Word

Ritual of Friendship

The Giving of Tithes and Offerings

Call for the Offering

Prayer of Dedication

Offertory

"Sortie" from "Heures Mystiques"

Boëllmann

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer (Forgive us our sins)

We Go Out to Serve

* **Hymn**

The Gift of Love
(To the tune The Water is Wide)

Vs. 1

*O Christ, my truth, my life, my way,
I give my heart to you this day.
I give myself, yes all of me,
that where you are I too may be.*

Vs. 2

*O Christ, my way, the path I take
is love alone, for your love's sake.
O be my heart, my strength and nerve,
that I may love and bless and serve.*

Vs.3

*O Christ, my truth, in you I see
the God who dwells in you and me.
But God remains yet far above
until I live in humble love.*

Vs. 4

*O Christ, my life, I give my heart,
for when in you I take my part
and share your love, your work and strife,
I share in full your risen life.*

* **Benediction**

Postlude

Tocatta from Suite Gothique

Boëllmann

* **Sharing of the Peace of Christ**

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Participants in Today's Service:

The Rev. Nona Holy, Interim Pastor

Dennis Witmer, Liturgist

Candy Smith, Parable Time

Peyton Cole, Organist/Pianist

The Junior Choir

The Bell Choir

The flowers on the retable are given by Jay Headley in loving memory of Jim & Marion Headley.

Protestant churches celebrate the Reformation annually on October 31, the anniversary of Martin Luther nailing his 95 Theses on the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany. In honor of the celebration, this week’s liturgy draws on prayers and liturgy from Protestant Reformers, John Calvin, Ulrich Zwingli and Martin Luther.



Start Date	Start Time	Subject
10/27/2024		Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost
	9:00 AM	Adult Topical Study
	10:00 AM	Worship Service
	10:15 AM	Children's Sunday School after Parable Time
	11:00 AM	Harvest Party/Trunk N Treat
10/28/2024	7:00 PM	Al-Anon (Rm 3-4)
		Session Meeting
10/30/2024	12:00 PM	Al-Anon (Rm 3-4)
	6:00 PM	Wisdom Wednesday
	6:30 PM	Handbell Choir Rehearsal
		Junior Choir Rehearsal
	7:30 PM	Sr. Choir Rehearsal
10/31/2024	6:30 PM	Divorce Care
11/1/2024		Church Office Closed
11/2/2024	9:00 AM	LIFT UP Work Day
11/3/2024		Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost/Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
	9:00 AM	Adult Topical Study
	10:00 AM	Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Fellowship
	5:00 PM	Live-stream Training

***In case of emergency, an AED unit is located in the hallway on the ground floor across from the bulletin boards.
Children of all ages are welcome in worship, but should a parent desire, nursery care is provided downstairs.***

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LBPC SANCTUARY

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and become part of this exciting ministry for LBPC!
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ALL SAINTS SUNDAY NOVEMBER 3RD

AS WE GATHER FOR WORSHIP ON 11/3, WE WILL REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE RECEIVED THE FULLNESS OF THEIR BAPTISMAL PROMISES IN THE PAST YEAR. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD SOMEONE'S NAME TO THIS TIME OF REMEMBRANCE, PLEASE CALL OR EMAIL THE CHURCH OFFICE.



Our walking group is excited to share November dates! We'll be walking on 11/2 and 11/30 at 3:30 PM. If you would like to join us, please email Carla at waage1976@gmail.com. We'll be meeting at the picnic house in the visitor parking lot.

HELPING THOSE IMPACTED BY HURRICANE HELENE:

Please check out our website under 'Serve' to learn how to contribute to Hurricane Helene Relief Efforts.