

Lewes Presbyterian Church

Believing, growing and sharing the love of Christ

11:00 AM Worship Service

July 5, 2026



SERMON SERIES: I Corinthians

SCRIPTURE: I Corinthians 11:17-28

SERMON: On the Lord's Supper

Rev. Greg Wiest

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PRELUDE

Sarah Rose

GREETING AND WELCOME
THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Greg Wiest

HYMN: “God of Our Fathers”

Hymnal pg 710

The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Psalm 46:7

1. God of our fathers, whose almighty hand;
leads forth in beauty all the starry band;
of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,
our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

2. Thy love divine hath led us in the past;
in this free land by thee our lot is cast;
be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay;
thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

4. Refresh thy people on their toilsome way,
lead us from night to never-ending day;
fill all our lives with love and grace divine,
and glory laud, and praise be ever thine.

SPECIAL MUSIC

“Trust and Obey”

Clarence Bauman

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of his Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father;
by whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried;
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CONFESSION

INVITATION TO SILENT CONFESSION

Gerry Brown

DECLARATION OF PARDON

1 John 1:9

“If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteous. Friends, believe the good news that in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.”

CELEBRATION

PSALTER READING: Psalm 107:15-28

Gerry Brown

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men,

for he breaks down gates of bronze and cuts through bars of iron.

Some became fools through their rebellious ways and suffered affliction because of their iniquities.

They loathed all food and drew near the gates of death.

Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he saved them from their distress.

He sent forth his word and healed them; he rescued them from the grave.

Let them give thanks to the Lord for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men.

Let them sacrifice thank offerings and tell of his works with songs of joy.

Men went out on the sea in ships; they were merchants on the mighty waters.

They saw the works of the Lord, his wonderful deeds in the deep.

For he spoke and stirred up a tempest that lifted high the waves.

They mounted up to the heavens and went down to the depths; in their peril their courage melted away.

They reeled and staggered like drunken men; they were at their wits' end.
Then they cried out to the Lord in their trouble, and he brought them out of their distress.

STEWARDSHIP & OFFERING
DOXOLOGY

Gerry Brown
Hymnal pg 731

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Greg Wiest

PREPARATION

HYMN: "My Country 'Tis of Thee"

*Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord; and the people whom he hath chosen
for his own inheritance. Psalm 33:12*

1. My country 'tis of thee,
sweet land of liberty of thee I sing
Land where my fathers died,
land of the pilgrims' pride,
from every mountain side, let freedom ring!

3. Let music swell the breeze
and ring from all the trees sweet freedom's song;
let mortal tongues awake,
let all that breathe partake;
let rocks their silence break, the sound prolong.

4. Our fathers' God to Thee,
author of liberty, to Thee we sing;
long may our land be bright
with freedom's holy light;
protect us by Thy might, great God our King!

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 11:17-28 Bible pg 1635
New International Version (NIV)

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SERMON: On the Lord's Supper

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HYMN: "Break Thou the Bread of Life"

Hymnal Pg 146

1. Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord to me,
as thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
throughout the sacred page I seek thee, Lord,
my spirit pants for thee, O living Word.
3. Thou art the Bread of Life, O Lord, to me,
thy holy Word the truth that saveth me;
give me to eat and live with thee above;
teach me to love thy truth, for thou art love.
4. O send thy Spirit, Lord, now unto me,
that he may touch mine eyes and make me see;
Show me the truth concealed within thy Word,
and in thy Book revealed I see the Lord.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Rev. Greg Wiest

CONSECRATION

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
SINGING OF THE LORD'S PRAYER

BENEDICTION

Rev. Greg Wiest

Flowers are provided by **Gerry & Carol Brown** *in memory of Susan Cunningham Kidd.*

WELCOME

To Lewes Presbyterian Church where you are always welcome. Whether you are attending for the first time in years, or the first time as a new resident, or an LPC member, you will always find ***LPC has a place for you.***

LPC is a place to worship on Sundays which offers three distinct types of worship services; 8AM, 9AM and 11AM.

LPC is a place to bring your children. Your children are welcomed by caring leaders. LPC has a nursery available during the 9AM worship services. Children's Church is offered before the 9AM sermon for ages 3-7. Adult and Children's Sunday School meet at 10AM during the school year.

LPC is a place to explore Christianity during our Sunday a.m. and weekly Bible studies. ***Welcome to LPC a place for you.***

We are glad you are here to worship the Lord Jesus Christ with us. We look to God's Word as the foundation for our church and our personal lives, and we joyfully praise God as we welcome you to our church family.

If you are visiting for the first time, we invite you to complete a connection card found in the pew and put it in the offering plate as you leave worship today. We encourage you to return often and make LPC a spiritual home for you, your family and friends.

Experience LPC—we have a place for you!

America (My Country, 'Tis of Thee)

1831

This patriotic hymn was written by Samuel Francis Smith (1808-1895), a native of Boston. Smith was an American Baptist minister, journalist and author. He was married and had six children. After attending Boston Latin School, he enrolled in Harvard (he was a classmate of Oliver Wendell Holmes) and then Andover Seminary. While in seminary, Smith became fascinated by the work of Adoniram Judson, American's first missionary and Smith developed a life-long passion for world evangelism. Smith was ordained as a Baptist minister in 1834 in Waterville, Maine, where he served as Professor of Modern Languages at Waterville College in addition to his ministry.

In 1831, while a student at Andover Seminary, Smith gave Lowell Mason lyrics he had written entitled "America," set to the tune used in Great Britain for "God Save the Queen." Smith said later, "I felt the impulse to write a patriotic hymn adapted to this tune. Picking up a scrap of paper which lay near me, I wrote the hymn "America" as it is now known."

The song was first performed in public on July 4, 1831 at a children's Independence Day celebration at Park Street Church in Boston. The song, titled "America" was first published by Lowell Mason in *The Choir* in 1832. Smith left Waterville in 1842 to go to Newton, Massachusetts, where he continued to write over 150 hymns. Over the years Samuel Smith grew into a powerful Baptist preacher, pastor, college professor, hymnist, linguist, writer and missionary advocate. He traveled the world in support of evangelism and rejoiced when his son became a missionary to Rangoon. (Largest city in Myanmar.) Smith died suddenly in his late-eighties at a Boston train station in route to a preaching appointment. Smith was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in 1970.

As his friend and classmate, Oliver Wendell Holmes said at a Harvard class reunion:

*And there's a nice youngster of excellent pith,
Fate tried to conceal him by naming him Smith;
But he shouted a song for brave and the free,
Just read on his medal, "My country, of thee!"*