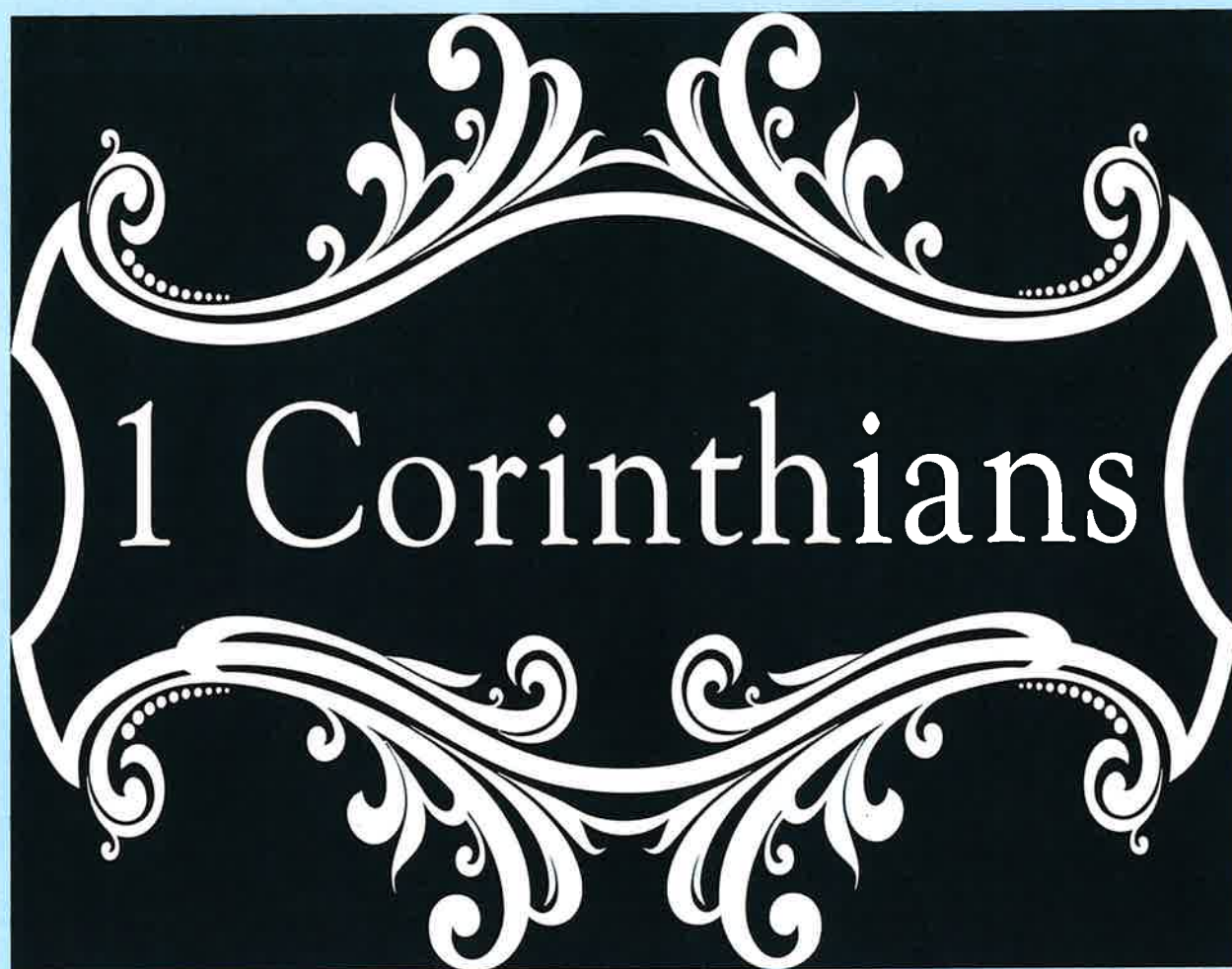


Lewes Presbyterian Church

Believing, growing and sharing the love of Christ

11:00 AM Worship Service

July 19, 2026



SERMON SERIES: I Corinthians

SCRIPTURE: I Corinthians 13:1-13

SERMON: Love

Rev. Greg Wiest

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PRELUDE

Anne Honeycutt

GREETING AND WELCOME

Gerry Brown

THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

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HYMN: “How Firm A Foundation”

Hymnal pg 94

Do not fear for I am with you; do not be dismayed for I am your God. I will strengthen you.....” Is.41:10

1. How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?
2. Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
for I am your God and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.
3. When through the deep waters I call you to go,
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;
for I will be with you, your troubles to bless,
and sanctify to you your deepest distress.

THE APOSTLE'S CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;
the holy catholic* church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
and the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

* Refers to the universal church of believers not specifically Roman Catholic church

INVITATION TO SILENT CONFESSION
DECLARATION OF PARDON

Gerry Brown
1 John 1:9

GLORIA PATRI

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.

CELEBRATION

PSALTER READING: Psalm 108

Gerry Brown

My heart, O God, is steadfast; I will sing and make music with all my soul

Awake, harp and lyre! I will awaken the dawn.

I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will sing of you among the peoples.

For great is your love, higher than the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the skies.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens; let your glory be over all the earth.

Save us and help us with your right hand, that those you love may be delivered.

God has spoken from his sanctuary; "In triumph I will parcel out Shechem and measure off the Valley of Sukkoth.

Gilead is mine, Manasseh is mine; Ephraim is my helmet, Judah is my scepter.

Moab is my washbasin, on Edom I toss my sandal; over Philistia I shout in triumph."

Who will bring me to the fortified city? Who will lead me to Edom?

Is it not you, God, you who have rejected us and no longer go out with our armies?

Give us aid against the enemy, for human help is worthless.

With God we will gain the victory

and he will trample down our enemies.

PREPARATION

HYMN: “O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!” Hymnal pg 535

Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extend of his love. John 13:1

1. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.
2. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread his praise from shore to shore;
how he loveth, ever loveth, changing never, never-more;
how he watches o’er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;
how for them he intercedeth, watching o’er them from the throne.
3. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of every love the best;
‘tis an ocean vast of blessing, ‘tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! ‘Tis a heaven of heavens to me;
and it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee.

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD’S PRAYER

Rev. Greg Wiest

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING: I Corinthians 13:1-13
New International Version (NIV)

Bible pg 1637

SERMON SERIES: I Corinthians

SERMON: Love

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HYMN: “Come, Christians, Join to Sing” Hymnal pg 302

Serve the Lord with gladness; come before His presence with singing. Psalm 100:2

1. Come, Christians, join to sing, Alleluia! Amen!
loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

2. Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend;
his love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

3. Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,
singing forever-more. Alleluia! Amen!

BENEDICTION

Flowers are given by **Barry & Elaine Simmerman** *in memory of family.*

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 into 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!

How Firm a Foundation

1787

John Rippon (1751-1836) was an English Baptist minister, hymn writer and church leader whose influence extended far beyond his own lifetime. Rippon was born in Tiverton, Devon, England, the son of John Rippon, a Baptist minister. At the age of 17 Rippon attended Bristol Baptist College in Bristol, England and at the age of 20, until his death, for approximately 63 years, Rippon pastored the Carter's Lane Baptist Church in London.

While at Carter's Lane Baptist Church, Rippon developed a vision for a church hymnal and in 1787 Rippon published his famous *A Selection of Hymns from the Best Authors*, which was intended to be an appendix to Dr. Isaac Watt's *Psalms and Hymns*. Rippon's publication was reprinted 27 times, in over 200,000 copies. An American edition appeared in 1820. He was considered the foremost authority of the hymns of Isaac Watts. "How Firm a Foundation" first appeared in Rippon's *A Selection of Hymns from the Best Authors*. No one knows its author, for the line reserved for the author's name simply bore the letter "K."

Rippon was a friend to America in the Revolutionary struggle, as the English Baptists generally were. He corresponded with leading Baptists on the other side of the Atlantic. The Baptist College of Providence, Rhode Island, conferred on him the degree of D.D. (Doctor of Divinity) in 1792 for "Promoting Christian Knowledge among the Poor."

Rippon is best known for his publication and compilation of hymns and songs. The British Museum has an interleaved copy with the author's manuscript notes and revisions of *A Selection of Hymns from the Best Authors* which contains 1,170 hymns, including some of Rippon's own compositions. In 1810 he printed an index to Dr. Isaac Watts' *Psalms and Hymns*, the sale of which provided him with a comfortable income.

Beginning in 1820, Rippon began collecting materials and manuscripts relating to the history of Bunhill Fields, a former burial ground between 1665 and 1854 in central London where approximately 123,000 internments were estimated to have taken place. Over 2,000 monuments remain containing the graves of notable religious leaders of their time as well as John Bunyan, Isaac Watts, William Blake, and Susanna Wesley. The collection of 11 volumes made by Rippon was purchased by the British Museum in 1873 along with many engraved portraits and valuable biographies. Another collection is preserved in the library of the Heralds' College.