Tewes Presbyterian Church Believing, growing and sharing the love of Christ 11:00 AM Worship Service July 20 2025

... All liars—their place will be in the fiery lake of burning sulfur..." - Revelation 21.8

SCRIPTURE: Revelation 21:8 SERMON SERIES: When God Doesn't Make Sense SERMON: Why Does God Send People to Hell? Rev. Greg Wiest

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July 20, 2025	11:00 a.m.
PRELUDE	Sarah Rose

GREETING AND WELCOME THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Greg Wiest

HYMN: "How Firm A Foundation"Hymnal pg 94Do not fear for I am with you; do not be dismayed for I am your God. I will strengthen you....." Is.41:10

- 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?
- 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.
- 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.

We Believe (Apostle's Creed)

CHORUS

We believe in one true God, Father, Spirit, Son; One Church, one faith, one Lord of all His Kingdom come.

- We believe in God the Father, Almighty Lord of life; Creator of the Heavens, the earth, the sea, the sky. And we believe in Jesus, the only Son of God Born of the virgin Mary who lived as one of us.
 CHORUS
- We believe that Jesus suffered, was beaten, crucified; He died and He was buried, entombed in darkest night. The third day rose victorious, ascended into Heaven, will one day come to judge us, the living and the dead.
 CHORUS
- We believe in God the Spirit, one Church empowered by Him; Communion of God's people, forgiveness of our sin. Our bodies resurrected to everlasting life; to worship, love and wonder before the throne of Christ. CHORUS

CONFESSION

INVITATION TO SILENT CONFESSION

Barbara Barkdoll

1 John 1:9

DECLARATION OF PARDON

"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."

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 72:1-10 Of Solomon

Endow the king with your justice, O God, the royal son with your righteousness.

May he judge your people in righteousness, your afflicted ones with justice.

May the mountains bring prosperity to the people, the hills the fruit of righteousness.

May he defend the afflicted among the people and save the children of the needy; may he crush the oppressor.

May he endure as long as the sun, as long as the moon, through all generations.

May he be like rain falling on a mown field, like showers watering the earth.

In his days may the righteous flourish and prosperity abound till the moon is no more.

May he rule from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth.

May the desert tribes bow before him and his enemies lick the dust.

May the kings of Tarshish and of distant shores bring tribute to him. May the kings of Sheba and Seba present him gifts.

STEWARDSHIP & OFFERING PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Greg Wiest

PREPARATION

HYMN:"O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!"Hymnal pg 535Having loved his own who were in the world, he now showed them the full extend of his love. John 13:1

- 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.
- 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.

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Revelation 21:8Bible pg 1770New International Version (NIV)

SERMON SERIES: When God Doesn't Make SenseSERMON: Why Does God Send People to Hell?Rev. Greg Wiest

HYMN: "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" 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 as *a place for you*.

LPC is a place to worship on Sundays which offers three distinct types of worship services; 8AM, 9:00AM and 11AM.

LPC is a place to bring your children. Your children are welcomed by caring leaders. LPC has a nursery available during the 9:00am morning worship services and Children's Sunday School during the 9:00am worship service.

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!

O The Deep, Deep Love of Jesus 1875

Samuel Trevor Francis (1834-1925) was an English lay preacher and hymn writer and is best known as the author this this hymn. Francis earned his living as a merchant. He was raised by his mother and grandmother and was taught to read using the Bible as a textbook and remembered his mother praying that her sons would grow up to the God-fearing men.

Francis had a spiritual turning point at age 19 one night on a bridge over the River Thames when returning from London. He claimed a message was borne into his soul, "You *do* believe in the Lord Jesus Christ?" Upon which he responded, "I *do* believe!" He received the reply "Then you are saved." and at that moment, his life changed forever. Experiencing a renewal of faith, he went on to author many poems and hymns as well as preaching in addition to his merchant career.

Through his preaching in 1858-1860 many were led to the Lord. Later he was one of the most willing helpers of Moody and Sankey in their great London campaign in 1873-74 as their singing director.

Impaired eyesight led to Francis tour the world, including Canada, Australia, Palestine, Egypt and other parts of North Africa and was ever cheered by hearing his own songs and tunes sung by congregations, large and small, in many different lands of the earth. Although Francis wrote many hymns, they were not added to the *Little Flock* hymnbook because he did not believe his poems/hymns should be altered to suit the needs of the hymnbook compilers.

Samuel Francis died in a nursing home on December 28, 1925, at the age of 92.

Dr. Thirtle, in <u>The Christian</u>, said "All his poetical work, as well as his spoken word, was permeated by a realization of the love of Christ and with a heart desire to see the Savior's face. Now he realizes what he so sweetly penned:"

> "At home with the Lord, what joy is this! To gaze on His face is infinite bliss."