

Lewes Presbyterian Church

Believing, growing and sharing the love of Christ

11:00 AM Worship Service

October 25, 2026



SERMON SERIES: Theology in John

SCRIPTURE: John 15:18-25

SERMON: Like the Master

Rev. Greg Wiest

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PRELUDE

Sarah Rose

GREETING AND WELCOME
THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Greg Wiest

Operation Christmas Child

Diane Moore

HYMN: "I'll Fly Away"

"Oh that I had the wings of a dove! I would fly away and be at rest." Psalm 55:6

1. Some glad morning when this life is over, I'll fly away.
To a home on God's celestial shore, I'll fly away.

CHORUS

I'll fly away, O glory, I'll fly away; in the morning;
When I die, hallelujah, by and by, I'll fly away, fly away.

2. When the shadows of this life have gone, I'll fly away.
Like a bird from prison bars has flown, I'll fly away.

CHORUS

3. Just a few more weary days and then, I'll fly away.
To a land where joys shall never end, I'll fly away.

CHORUS

ANTHEM: Hear My Words

Paulus

THE APOSTLES CREED

Hymnal pg. 845

CONFESSION

INVITATION TO SILENT CONFESSION

SherryLee Biele

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 unrighteousness.”

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 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from?

My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

He will not let your foot slip – he who watches over you will not
slumber;

indeed, he who watches over Israel will neither slumber nor sleep.

The Lord watches over you – the Lord is your shade at your right hand;

the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord will keep you from all harm, he will watch over your life;

the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore.

STEWARDSHIP & OFFERING

Sherrylee Biele

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Greg Wiest

PREPARATION

HYMN: Be Thou My Vision

Hymnal pg. 642

Whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. Phil. 3:7

1. Be thou my vision, O lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art –
thou my best thought by day or by night,
walking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

5. High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING: John 15:18-25 Bible pg. 1537-1538
New International Version (NIV)

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HYMN: "When Trials Come"

Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sister, whenever you face trials of many kinds. James 1:2

1. When trials come, no longer fear,
for in the pain our God draws near,
to fire a faith worth more than gold;
and there His faithfulness is told, and there His faithfulness is told.
2. Within the night I know Your peace
the breath of God brings strength to me.
And new each morning mercy flows,
as treasures of the darkness grow, as treasures of the darkness grow.
3. I turn to wisdom not my own,
for every battle You have known.
My confidence will rest in You;
Your love endures, Your ways are good;
Your love endures, Your ways are good.

4. When I am weary with the cost,
I see the triumph of the cross;
so in its shadow I shall run,
till you complete the work begun,
till you complete the work begun.

BENEDICTION

Rev. Greg Wiest

Flowers are provided by **Jean Forry** *to the Glory of God.*

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. If you are visiting for the first time, we invite you to complete a connection card found in the pew and place it in the offering plate as you leave church.

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.

Visit our Connection Center to learn about our activities and events.

I'll Fly Away

1932

Albert Brumley (1905-1977) was born into a family of sharecroppers on a cotton farm in Indian Territory, near present-day Spiro, Oklahoma. The medium of radio was gaining popularity as he grew up. One hot Oklahoma day, Albert was in the field picking cotton and singing "If I Had the Wings of an Angel." The thought of flying away suddenly seemed quite appealing to him and he began composing "I'll Fly Away" on the spot. "I was dreaming of flying away from that cotton field when I wrote 'I'll Fly Away,'" he later said.

In 1926 Brumley enrolled in the Hartford Musical Institute of Hartford, Arkansas and studied there through 1931. Brumley married Goldie Schell in 1931. They lived near Powell Missouri and raised six children.

Of course, "I'll Fly Away" is about far more than escaping cotton fields. It expressed Brumley's personal hope of eternal life through Jesus Christ. It was one of a number of gospel songs he wrote during those days but all of them were stashed away in drawers and boxes, unpublished.

With Goldie's encouragement Brumley mailed "I'll Fly Away" to the Hartford Music Company. It was published in 1932 and shortly after, Brumley was hired by Hartford for \$12.50/month. Brumley later purchased Hartford Music Company in 1948.

He spent 34 years writing for Hartford and Stamps/Baxter companies before forming the Albert E. Brumley & Sons Music Company. Brumley wrote over 800 songs. He established the *Albert E. Brumley Sundown to Sunup Gospel Sing* in 1969 in Springdale, Arkansas. In 1970 Brumley was inducted as a charter members into the Nashville Songwriters Hall of Fame (NSAI) and the Gospel Music Hall of Fame.

Brumley died in Powell, Missouri at the age of 72.