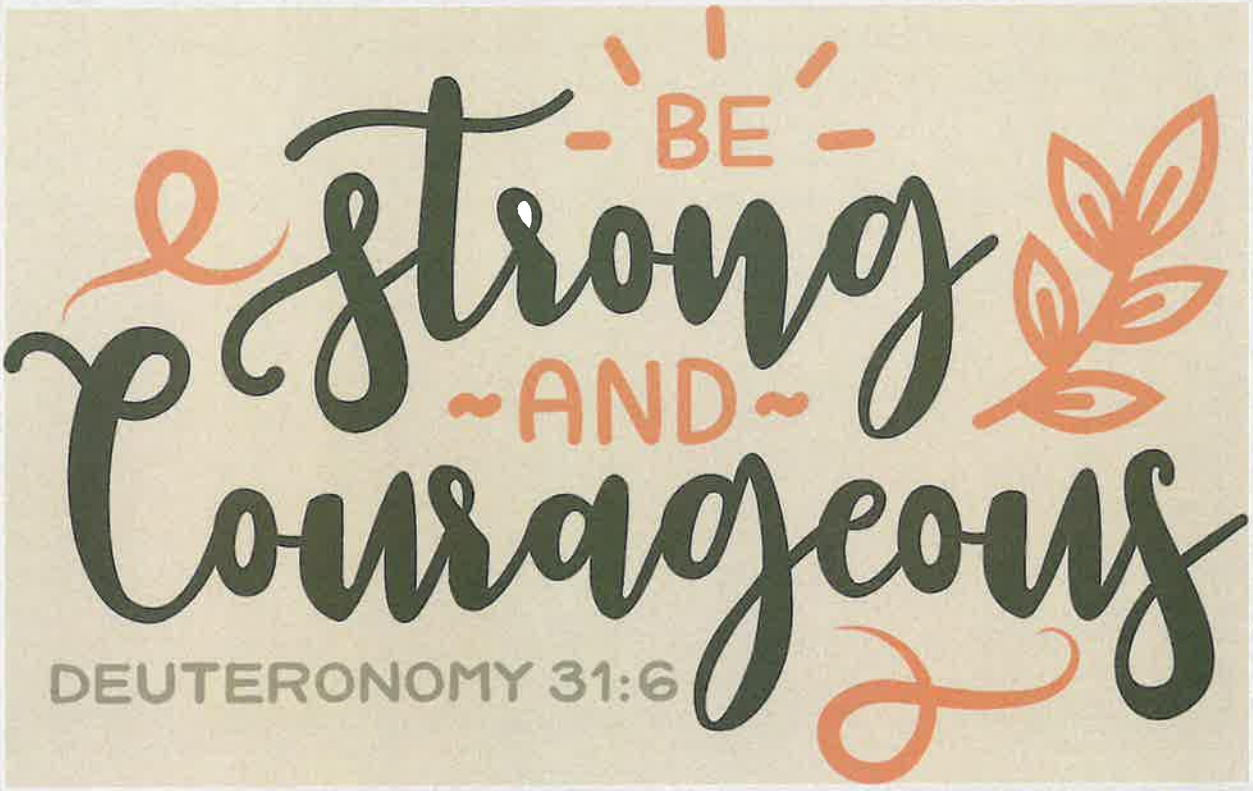
Lewes Presbyterian Church

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11:00 AM Worship Service
November 8, 2026



SERMON SERIES: Personal Struggles
SCRIPTURE: Deuteronomy 31:6-8
SERMON: Dealing with Loneliness
Rev. Greg Wiest

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PRELUDE — Sarah Rose

GREETING AND WELCOME — Rev. Greg Wiest

THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

HYMN: "We Gather Together" — Hymnal pg. 363

I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you and watch over you. Psalm 32:8

1. We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;
   he chastens and hastens his will to make known;
   the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;
   sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

2. Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,
   ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine;
   so from the beginning the fight we were winning;
   thou, Lord, was at our side; all glory be thine!

3. We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,
   and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.
   Let thy congregation endure through tribulation:
   thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

ANTHEM: God's Peace — Dawn & White

THE APOSTLES CREED Hymnal pg. 845

CONFESSION

INVITATION TO SILENT CONFESSION Barbara Barkdoll

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 123

I lift up my eyes to you, to you who sit enthroned in heaven.

As the eyes of slaves look to the hand of their master,

as the eyes of a female slave look to the hand of her mistress,

so our eyes look to the Lord our God, till he shows us his mercy.

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy on us, for we have endured no end of contempt.

We have endured no end of ridicule from the arrogant, of contempt from the proud.

STEWARDSHIP & OFFERING — Barbara Barkdoll
PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER — Rev. Greg Wiest

PREPARATION

HYMN: "Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus" — Hymnal pg 679

The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. Gal. 2:20

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
   just to take him at his word;
   just to rest upon his promise;
   just to know, Thus saith the Lord."

CHORUS

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him!
How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust him more!

2. O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
   just to trust his cleansing blood;
   just in simple faith to plunge me
   'neath the healing, cleansing flood!

CHORUS

3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
   just from sin and self to cease;
   just from Jesus simply taking
   life and rest and joy and peace,

CHORUS

4. I'm so glad I learned to trust thee,
   precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
   and I know that thou art with me,
   wilt be with me to the end.

CHORUS

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Deuteronomy 31:6-8
New International Version

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HYMN: "Dear Lord and Father of Mankind"

For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another. Titus 3:3

1. Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
   forgive our foolish ways;
   Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
   In purer lives Thy service find,
   In deeper reverence, praise.

2. In simple trust like theirs who heard,
   beside the Syrian sea,
   the gracious calling of the Lord
   let us, like them, without a word
   rise up and follow Thee.

4. Drop Thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess,
The beauty of Thy peace.

5. Breathe through the pulses of desire
Thy coolness and Thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind and fire,
O still, small voice of calm.

BENEDICTION Rev. Greg Wiest

Flowers are provided by **Marianne Sobieski** *in memory of her husband Leonard, her son-in-law Seymore and dear friend Donna.*

On Veterans Day, let us remember the service of our veterans, and let us renew our national promise to fulfill our sacred obligations to our veterans and their families who have sacrificed so much so that we can live free. To our men and women in uniform, past, present, and future, may God bless you and thank you.

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, 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!

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

We Gather Together
1597

In 1597, at the time this hymn was written by Adrianus Valerius (1575-1625), the Dutch were engaged in a war of national liberation against the Catholic King Philip II of Spain. "Wilt heden nu treden" (We gather together) resonated because under the Spanish King, Dutch Protestants were forbidden to gather for worship.

This hymn first appeared in print in a 1626 collection of Dutch folk and patriotic songs by Adriaen Valerius and celebrated freedom from Spanish rule and was popular in the Netherlands.

Eduard Kremser (1838-1914) was a Viennese choir director, conductor, composer and musicologist and who arranged a collection of Dutch folk songs for male voices. Out of this collection came this tune, known as "Kremser" from Kremser's 1877 score arrangement and lyric translation of "Wilt heden nu treden" from Dutch into Latin while in Leipzig, Germany. The modern English text was written by Theodore Baker in 1894. Kremser also edited and arranged a 3-volume set of German and Austrian folk music, *Viennese Songs and Dances,* published in 1912 as well as other volumes of folk music.

This hymn gained popularity, especially in services of Thanksgiving and was included in the national hymnal of the Methodist-Episcopal Church in 1935. According to the *Hymn Society in the United States and Canada*, "We Gather Together" first appeared in an American hymnal in 1903 and retained popularity among the Dutch.

In 1937 the Dutch Reformed Church in North America abandoned the 17th century policy of singing only psalms and added hymns to their church services. "We Gather Together" was chosen as the first hymn in the first hymnal!