Lewes Presbyterian Church

Believing, growing and sharing the love of Christ

11:00 AM Worship Service
November 15, 2026



SERMON SERIES: Personal Struggles
SCRIPTURE: Romans 8:28, Philippians 3:13
SERMON: Handling Past Regrets
Rev. Greg Wiest

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PRELUDE — Sarah Rose

GREETING AND WELCOME — Rev. Greg Wiest

THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

DEDICATION – Afghans for Sussex Pregnancy Care Center

HYMN: "Onward, Christian Soldiers" — Hymnal pg. 572

I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. Matt. 16:18

1. Onward Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
   with the cross of Jesus going on before;
   Christ the royal master leads against the foe;
   forward into battle, see, his banner go.

CHORUS

Onward, Christian soldiers, marching as to war,
with the cross of Jesus going on before.

3. Like a mighty army moves the church of God;
   brothers, we are treading where the saints have trod;
   we are not divided, all one body we,
   one in hope and doctrine, one in charity.

CHORUS

4. Crowns and thrones may perish, kingdoms rise and wane;
   but the church of Jesus constant will remain;
   gates of hell can never 'gainst that church prevail;
   we have Christ's own promise, and that cannot fail.

CHORUS

5. Onward, then, ye people, join our happy throng,
blend with ours your voices in the triumph song;
glory, laud and honor unto Christ the King;
this through countless ages men and angels sing.

CHORUS

MINUTE FOR MISSION Delmarva Adult & Teen Challenge

ANTHEM: Great Is Thy Faithfulness Holstein

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.

1. 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

2. 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

3. 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

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 124

If the Lord had not been on our side, let Israel say –

If the Lord had not been on our side when men attacked us,

when their anger flared against us, they would have swallowed us alive;

the flood would have engulfed us, the torrent would have swept over us, the raging waters would have swept us away.

Praise be to the Lord, who has not let us be torn by their teeth.

We have escaped like a bird out of the fowler's snare;

the snare has been broken and we have escaped.

Our help is in the name of the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth.

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

PREPARATION

HYMN: "Bringing In the Sheaves"

....The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Matt 9:37

1. Sowing in the morning, sowing seeds of kindness,
Sowing in the noon-tide and the dewy eve,
Waiting for the harvest and the time of reaping,
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

CHORUS

Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.
Bringing in the sheaves, bringing in the sheaves,
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

2. Sowing in the sunshine, sowing in the shadows,
Fearing neither clouds nor winter's chilling breeze;
By and by the harvest and the labor ended,
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

CHORUS

3. Going forth with weeping, sowing for the master,
Though the loss sustained our spirit often grieves;
When our weeping's over He will bid us welcome,
We shall come rejoicing, bringing in the sheaves.

CHORUS

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Romans 8:28, Philippians 3:13
New International Version

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HYMN: "Come Ye Thankful People, Come" Hymnal pg. 715

The harvest is the end of the age, and the harvesters are angels. Matthew 13:39

1. Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;
   all is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin;
   God, our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
   come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

2. All the world is God's own field, fruit unto his praise to yield;
   wheat and tares to gather sown, unto joy or sorrow grown;
   first the blade, and then the ear, then the full corn shall appear,
   Lord of harvest, grant that we wholesome grain and pure may be.

3. For the Lord our God shall come, and shall take his harvest home;
   from his field shall in that day all offenses purge away;
   give his angels charge at last in the fire the tares to cast,
   but the fruitful ears to store in his garner evermore.

4. Even so, Lord, quickly come to thy final harvest home;
   gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin.
   there forever purified, in thy presence to abide;
   come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home.

BENEDICTION — Rev. Greg Wiest

Flowers are provided by **Ed and Kathy Ross** *in memory of our parents.*

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.

Visit our Connection Center for information about upcoming events.

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Onward, Christian Soldiers
1865, 1871

"Onward, Christian Soldiers" is a 19th century English hymn. The words were written by Sabine Bering-Gould in 1865 and the music was composted by Arthur Sullivan in 1871. The Salvation Army adopted this hymn as its favored processional and the piece became Sullivan's most popular hymn.

The hymn's theme is taken from references in the New Testament to the Christian being a soldier for Christ. The lyrics were written as a processional hymn for children walking from their school to the nearby chapel.

In the 1912 Progressive National Convention, which nominated Theodore Roosevelt for President, the song was adopted by the delegates as their anthem and Roosevelt said that his Progressive Party "was going to battle for the Lord." When Winston Churchill and Franklin Roosevelt met in August, 1941 on the battleship *HMS Prince of Wales* to agree the Atlantic Charter this hymn was chosen by Minister Churchill for the church service held.

This hymn was sung at the funeral of President Dwight Eisenhower at the National Cathedral in Washington, DC in March, 1969.

An attempt was made in the 1980s to strip this hymn from the *United Methodist Hymnal* and Episcopal *Hymnal 1982* due to perceived militarism. Outrage among the church-goers caused both committees to back down. However, the hymn was omitted from both the 1990 and 2013 hymnals of the Presbyterian Church (USA) and other local and international denominations. However, this hymn remains a favorite of many who have been brought up singing this hymn as children.