


Lewes Presbyterian Church

Believing, growing and sharing the love of Christ

11:00 AM Worship Service

April 14, 2024



May the
words of my mouth
and the
meditation of my heart
be pleasing
in your sight, O LORD,
my Rock
and my Redeemer.

PSALM 19:14

SCRIPTURE: Psalm 19:7-14

SERMON SERIES: Is the Bible True?

SERMON: Trustworthiness of Scripture

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PRELUDE

Sarah Rose

GREETING AND WELCOME
THE LIFE AND WORK OF THE CHURCH

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* HYMN: "The Power of the Cross"

*For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
1Cor 1:18*

1. Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day.
Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then
nailed to a cross of wood.

CHORUS

This the power of the cross.
Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, born the wrath.
We stand forgiven at the cross.

3. Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath
quakes as its Maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life.
"Finished!" the victory cry.

CHORUS

4. Oh to see my name written in the wounds.
For through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live
won through Your selfless love!

CHORUS

ANTHEM "Tune My Heart to Sing Thy Grace"

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* **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,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CONFESSION

INVITATION TO SILENT CONFESSION

Clarence Bauman

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 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 16

Clarence Bauman

Keep me safe, O God,

for in you I take refuge.

I said to the Lord, “You are my Lord; apart from you I have no good thing.”

As for the saints who are in the land, they are the glorious ones in whom is all my delight.

The sorrows of those will increase who run after other gods.

I will not pour out their libations of blood or take up their names on my lips.

Lord, you have assigned me my portion and my cup; you have made my lot secure.

The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; surely I have a delightful inheritance.

I will praise the Lord, who counsels me; even at night my heart instructs me.

I have set the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken.

Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will rest secure,

because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay.

You have made known to me the path of life;

you will fill me with joy in your presence, with eternal pleasures at your right hand.

STEWARDSHIP & OFFERING

Clarence Bauman

PASTORAL PRAYER & LORD'S PRAYER

Rev. Greg Wiest

PREPARATION

* HYMN: "Blessed Assurance"

Hymnal pg 693

I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. Psalm 146:2

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
O what a foretaste of Glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of his Spirit, washed in his blood.

CHORUS

This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long;
this is my story, this is my song,
praising my Savior all the day long.

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,
visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
angels descending, bring from above
echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

CHORUS

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest;
watching and waiting, looking above,
filled with his goodness, lost in his love.

CHORUS

PROCLAMATION

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 19:7-14
New International Version (NIV)

Bible pg 783

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* HYMN: “God of Grace and God of Glory”

And the God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ,..... will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast. 1 Peter 5:10

1. God of grace and God of glory;
on Thy people pour Thy power.
Crown Thine ancient church's story;
bring her bud to glorious flower.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage.
For the facing of this hour,
for the facing of this hour.

3. Cure Thy children's waring madness;
bend our pride to Thy control.
Shame our wanton, selfish gladness,
rich in things and poor in soul.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage;
lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal,
lest we miss Thy kingdom's goal

4. Set our feet on lofty places;
gird our lives that they may be
armoured with all Christ-like graces
in the fight to set men free.
Grant us wisdom, grant us courage,
that we fail not man nor Thee,
that we fail not man nor Thee.

* BENEDICTION

Flowers are provided by **Granville Reed**, *to those who give their time, talents and treasure.*

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!

Blessed Assurance

1873

Frances Jane “Fanny” Crosby was born in Putnam County, NY in 1820, the daughter of John and Mercy Crosby. John Crosby became ill and died in November, 1820, leaving Mercy Crosby widowed at aged 21. Fanny’s mother went to work as a housemaid to provide for them and Fanny lived with her grandmother. Fanny was blinded in infancy through the use of mustard poultices on her eyes, which damaged the optic nerve. At age 8 Crosby wrote her first poem describing her condition. She later said “It seemed intended by the blessed providence of God that I should be blind all my lifeIf perfect earthly sight were offered me tomorrow I would not accept it. I might not have sung hymns to the praise of God if I had been distracted by the beautiful and interesting things about me.” In 1835 she enrolled in The New York Institution for the Blind in New York City, staying there 12 years, first as a student then as a teacher. Fanny became an expert musician and was a very gifted writer. Fanny is well known for her teaching and her rescue mission work. In 1844 Fanny published her first volume of poetry, *The Blind Girl and Other Poems*.

In 1858 Fanny married Alexander van Alstyne, Jr., also blind, a former pupil and teacher at the New York Institution for the Blind. They had one child. Fanny began writing hymns in 1864 and, in all, wrote between 5,500-9,000 hymns. The exact count is unknown due to her use of many pseudonyms. Crosby was known as the “Queen of Gospel Song Writers”. She also wrote 1,000 secular poems and had four books of poetry published.

Phoebe Knapp was one of Fanny Crosby’s dearest friends. While Fanny lived in the slums of Manhattan and worked in rescue missions, Phoebe lived in the lavish Knapp Mansion in Brooklyn. One day in 1873, while Fanny was staying at the Knapp Mansion, Phoebe played one of her new compositions for Fanny. Fanny immediately exclaimed, “Why, that says, ‘Blessed Assurance!’”. She quickly composed the words, and a great hymn was born.

Fanny’s husband, Alexander, died in 1902 and Fanny died February 12, 1915 in Bridgeport, Connecticut.