

THE LAMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We are a family of faith wrapping our arms around God's world
and making Jesus Christ a way of life*

through **worship**, as we praise and glorify God;
through **study**, as we listen for God's Word in body, mind and spirit;
through **mission**, as we embody God's love in service to the world;
through **giving**, as we express gratitude to God;
through **fellowship**, as we love and care for one another.



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 5, 2018

10:15AM

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

RINGING THE BELL

PRELUDE

Musette
Pastoral Song
Prelude

Jean Langlais

WELCOME

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Joe Scott

Leader: Jesus Christ is the bread of life,

People: the bread of heaven for the world.

Leader: Come to Christ and never be hungry;

People: believe in Him and never thirst.

All: Let us worship God.

* GATHERING HYMN 230 "This Is the Day the Lord Hath Made" NUN DANKET ALL' UND BRINGET EHR

* INVITATION TO CONFESSION

God has given us a sign
showing that love is stronger than death.

The sign of the cross
points to our exodus
from bondage to sin.

Let us repent,
seek God's forgiveness,
and enter into new life in Christ.

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Holy One, whose love and justice condemn us, whose mercy and kindness feed us, we confess our sins and pray for forgiveness. What suffering we have unleashed. We have used other persons without regard for their dignity; we have abused the earth without care for its beauty or concern for future life; we have sought to bargain with you to smooth our way to heaven. Put the Spirit of Christ within us and cause us to grow into mature, faithful disciples. Free us from our captivity to our selfishness, bind us to the body of Christ that we may bear witness to the truth that your love holds everything together. We ask this blessing in Christ's name. Amen.

* KYRIE

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy!
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!**

* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

The bread of life God sends
is the offering of the only begotten Son.
Whoever trusts Jesus Christ
shall never be hungry;
shall never thirst.
Believe the gospel;
In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven. Amen.

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 576)

Jacques Berthier

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING 2 Samuel 11:26 - 12:13a

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(Church school is on summer recess. Nursery Care is available for the very young children.)

ORGAN SOLO

Flutes

Jean Langlais

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:1-16

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THIRD READING John 6:24-35

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Being Like a Kite"

The Rev. Dr. Christopher Belden

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* HYMN 360

"Hope of the World"

DONNE SECOURS

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *(The Apostles' Creed)*

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and
buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he
ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Chant donné

Jehan Alain

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him, all creatures here below;

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

INVITATION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

SANCTUS

(Tune: #515)

Holy, holy, holy, Lord, great God of pow'r and might:

The heavens and the earth are filled with glory bright.

Hosanna is our grateful song

To him who in the Lord's name comes!

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BREAKING OF BREAD AND COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

(You are invited to come forward to partake of the Lord's Supper by intinction—dipping a piece of bread in the cup. Gluten and casein free elements are available. If you desire to be served in your seat, please raise your hand to alert an usher.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

THE SENDING

* SENDING HYMN 517

“We Come as Guests Invited”

WIE LIEBLICH IST DER MAIEN

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Pasticcio

Jean Langlais

** All who are able please stand*

Welcome to Lamington: If you are a guest, please fill out the information card in the pew and return it in the offering plate or to the pastor or usher at the end of the service. The church office hours are Monday-Friday from 10:00AM-3:00PM, phone: (908) 572-7013, email: lamingtonchurch@gmail.com. **Note:** Dr. Wilton will be away on vacation from July 30 through August 29. In case of pastoral emergency, please call the church office. After hours, from July 30 through August 17, please call the Rev. Claire Pula at (908) 910-5361; and from August 18 through 29, the Rev. David Widmer of the Bethlehem Presbyterian Church of Pittstown at (862) 324-3247.

Today's Worship Notes

We are pleased to welcome to worship today guest preacher, the Rev. Dr. Christopher Belden. Dr. Belden was born in New York City but grew up in Rye Brook, NY from the time he was five years old. He received a BA from St. Lawrence University, an M. Div. from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary, a Master of Social Work from the University of Pittsburgh and a D. Min. from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. Chris has served as the Assistant Pastor at First Presbyterian Church in Clarion, PA, the Pastor at Christ United Presbyterian Church in Wilkes-Barre, PA and as the Pastor at the Community Presbyterian Church in Mountainside, NJ. Over those forty years of pastoral work he had served on almost every committee that Presbytery has to offer!

Dr. Belden has two grown sons, David and Gregory. His favorite occupations are reading, watching movies, gardening and caring for his two large fish tanks (55 gallons and 75 gallons).

DEACON: Sandi Ramsay and Joe Scott

LITURGIST: Joe Scott

LEMONADE SUNDAY HOSTS: Jennifer & Randall Peach

Prayer Requests, Joys, and Concerns

Prayer Request Cards can be found in the pews. Please place your request(s) in the offertory plate, or email/phone the church office at lamingtonchurch@gmail.com / (908) 572-7013. Please remember to keep the church office updated on prayer requests submitted.

We Pray For...

- ✝ **Harry Carpenter**, who is at home recuperating. We pray for strength, healing and a speedy recovery.
- ✝ **Cynthia Pereyra Noonan**, as she deals with her paralysis. It will be 11 years in September. We give thanks for her husband Trevor, for his ongoing care and love. We pray for strength and comfort for both Cynthia and Trevor.

Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton, PASTOR

James Goldsworthy, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC

Regina Morris, OFFICE MANAGER

Bess Ploener, DIRECTOR OF HANDBELLS & ALTO SECTION LEADER

Katie Cloys, SOPRANO SECTION LEADER; John Cloys, TENOR SECTION LEADER

Mary Ann Scott and Susan Scott, SUNDAY NURSERY CARE

Lori Larsen, CHURCH TREASURER (*volunteer*)

The Upcoming Week

Sunday, August 5	10:15AM	Worship—Communion—The Rev. Dr. Chris Belden, Guest Preacher
Tuesday, August 7	10:00AM	E'Port at LPC
Sunday, August 12	10:15AM	Worship—The Rev. Jeanne B. Radak, Guest Preacher

Summer Fun with our Friends from Elizabethport
August 7—10:00AM to 4:00PM

We look forward to hosting our friends from Elizabethport (E'port) on August 7! The day will begin at Lamington Church at 10:00AM with a variety of craft activities. After, we will caravan to Christie Whitman's farm for a picnic lunch, pool time, and yard games until 4:00PM. Everyone is welcome—this event is for all ages! We need helpers for leading crafts, and picnic donations of cold drinks, watermelon, ice cream bars, and chips. Fresh green salad and pizza will be provided. Please let Chris Smith know if you can join in the fun by emailing her at smitpvil@comcast.net. Hope you can make it!



E'port at LPC—Summer 2017

JOIN US!!
Kick-Off Sunday & Welcome Back BBQ
September 9 after Worship

We will celebrate Kick-Off Sunday by having our annual **BBQ on the front lawn immediately following our 10:15AM worship service on Sunday, September 9**. Tables will be set up; but if you prefer to picnic, please bring a blanket to sit on the lawn. Invite a friend to come and introduce them to Lamington Church. To help make this day fun and special, please bring their favorite salad or a finger dessert. We will also need volunteers for set-up and clean-up. If you have questions, please call Debby at (908) 832-7230 or Shelley at (908) 510-6961. **Hope to see you there!!**



DON'T MISS IT—SAVE THE DATE!
2nd Annual
Big Band Jazz Event

Please save the date for the **Second Annual Big Band Event** at **Lamington Church** on **September 15th** from **5:30 – 9:00pm!** Join us for an evening of great food, drink, music and dancing. We look forward to welcoming back the outstanding 18-piece jazz and swing dance band 'Reeds, Rhythm and All That Brass'. Formal invites to follow.

The cost is \$50 per person, which includes beer, wine and hors d'oeuvres. Please invite friends and family who you think would enjoy the event, too!

BIG BAND JAZZ EVENT

15 SEPT | STARTING AT
2018 | 5:30 PM

REEDS, RHYTHM AND ALL THAT BRASS

A 18-piece Jazz-Swing Band with Vocals

**ALL ARE
WELCOME!**

Tickets: \$50 per person

Lamington Presbyterian Church
355 Lamington Road
Bedminster, New Jersey 07921

Call (908) 572-7013 for tickets
Tickets also available at the door
Casual cocktail attire

