

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;

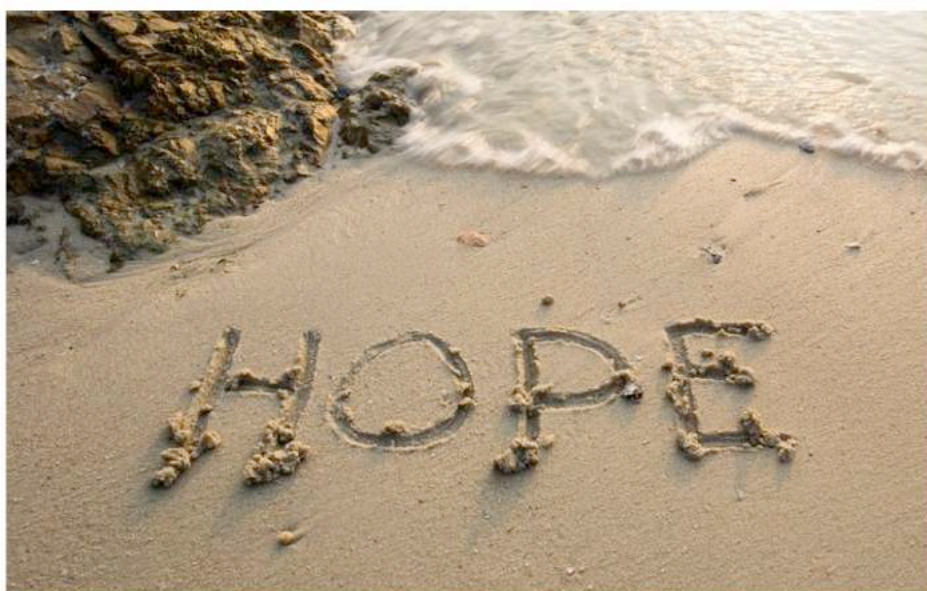
through **study**, as we listen for God's Word in body, mind and spirit;

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.

The



of your calling

MARCH 24, 2019

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

March 24, 2019

10:15AM

*“There is one body and one Spirit,
just as you were called
to the one hope of your calling...”
-Ephesians 4:4*

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

RINGING THE BELL

PRELUDE

Sonata in C Major, Op. 2, No. 3
II. Adagio
Emma Mistele, piano

Ludwig van Beethoven

WELCOME

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

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

INTROIT

I Will Lift Mine Eyes (Psalm 121)

Antonin Dvořák

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Jodi Antunes

Leader: Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord;
People: let us exalt the name of the Lord together.
Leader: Come, let us sing to the Lord;
People: Let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation!

* GATHERING HYMN 691 “Lord, When I Came into This Life”

LAND OF REST

* INVITATION TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**Mighty and merciful God,
you have called us to be your people
and have claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ.
We confess that we have not lived up to our calling.
We have been timid and frightened disciples,
forgetful of your powerful presence
and the strength of your Spirit among us.
As you have chosen us and claimed us in our baptism,
strengthen us anew
to choose Christ’s way in this world,
secure in your forgiveness
and transforming grace.**

* KYRIE (*Hymn 341*)

**O God, show mercy to us, and bless us with your grace;
and cause to shine upon us the brightness of your face,
so that your way most holy on earth may soon be known,
and unto every people your saving grace be shown.
Let all the peoples praise you; let all the nations sing;
in every land let praises and songs of gladness ring.**

* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (*Hymn 441*)

**Hear the good news of salvation:
Jesus died to show God's love.
Such great kindness! Such great mercy!
Come to us from heaven above.
Jesus Christ, how much I love you!
Jesus Christ, you save from sin!
How I love you! Look upon me.
Love me still and cleanse within.**

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Jeremiah 29:8-14

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(Children are excused to go with their teachers to church school.)

ANTHEM Every Time I Feel the Spirit
The Lamington Children's Choir

Spiritual, arranged by Joseph T. Jones

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:1-7, 11-16

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON “The Hope in Our Calling” The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* HYMN 69 “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky”

HERE I AM

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SERVICE OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

- Leader: There are varieties of gifts,
but it is the same Spirit who gives them.
- People: There are different ways of serving God,
but it is the same Lord who is served.**
- Leader: God works through each person in a unique way,
but it is God's purpose that is accomplished.
- People: To each is given a gift by the Spirit
to be used for the common good.**
- Leader: Together we are the body of Christ,
and individually members of it.

STATEMENT ON ORDINATION

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATES

PROFESSION OF FAITH (*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.

CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

Do you trust in Jesus Christ your Savior, acknowledge him Lord of all and Head of the
Church, and through him believe in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit?

Do you accept the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be, by the Holy Spirit,
the unique and authoritative witness to Jesus Christ in the Church universal, and God's
Word to you?

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the essential tenets of the Reformed faith as
expressed in the confessions of our church as authentic and reliable expositions of what
Scripture leads us to believe and do, and will you be instructed and led by those
confessions as you lead the people of God?

Will you fulfill your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of
Scripture, and be continually guided by our confessions?

Will you be governed by our church's polity, and will you abide by its discipline? Will
you be a friend among your colleagues in ministry, working with them, subject to the
ordering of God's Word and Spirit?

Will you in your own life seek to follow the Lord Jesus Christ, love your neighbors, and
work for the reconciliation of the world?

Do you promise to further the peace, unity, and purity of the church?

Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?

(For ruling elders) Will you be a faithful ruling elder, watching over the people, providing for their worship, nurture, and service? Will you share in government and discipline, serving in councils of the church, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

(For deacons) Will you be a faithful deacon, teaching charity, urging concern, and directing the people's help to the friendless and those in need, and in your ministry will you try to show the love and justice of Jesus Christ?

PRAYER OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION WITH THE LAYING ON OF HANDS

DECLARATION OF ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION

WELCOME

THE SENDING

THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY

Consolation No. 1 in E Major
Emma Mistele, piano

Franz Liszt

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 606)

**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

* SENDING HYMN 749

"Come! Live in the Light!"

WE ARE CALLED

* BENEDICTION

* CHORAL RESPONSE

Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days

ST. FLAVIAN

* POSTLUDE

Consolation No. 4 in D-flat Major
Emma Mistele, piano

Franz Liszt

** All who are able please stand*

LITURGIST: Jodi Antunes

DEACONS: Eleanor Halsey

COFFEE HOUR: Etta & John Marshall

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 is closed on Mondays and open Tuesday-Friday from 10:00AM-4:00PM. Please note that the office may sometimes need to close early due to a personal reason or an emergency—it is best to call/email the office to be sure we are in: (908) 572-7013, lamingtonchurch@gmail.com. If you have a pastoral care emergency and need assistance immediately, please contact Pastor Carl Wilton at (908) 910-5360.

Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton, PASTOR
James Goldsworthy, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC
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Thomas Larsen and Susan Scott, SUNDAY NURSERY CARE
Lori Larsen, CHURCH TREASURER (*volunteer*)

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...

- ✝ **Austin Antunes**, the 22-month-old son of congregation members Jodi and Alex Antunes will be having surgery on March 25, to insert tubes in his ears. We pray for Alex to have a successful surgery. We pray for strength, comfort and a speedy recovery.
 - ✝ **Henry Aulenbach**, a seven-year-old with a brain tumor. Henry has already had a few surgeries to relieve pain and is getting ready to receive radiation to help shrink the tumor. We pray for Henry's comfort, healing and strength.
 - ✝ **Gunnar Bickhardt**, was born on July 30 with heart issues. He has gone through two open heart surgeries. He recently had surgery to fix the oxygen flow to the heart. We pray for Gunnar's continued healing, strength and comfort.
 - ✝ **Peter Nicoletti**, who continues to battle cancer. We pray for strength and comfort as he undergoes treatment. Peter is the brother-in-law of Katina and Ivan Medina.
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The Upcoming Week

Sunday, March 24 3rd Sunday in Lent	8:45AM 10:15AM 10:30AM 11:30AM 6:00PM	Adult Choir Practice Worship Church School Handbell Choir Practice Confirmation Class
Wednesday, March 27	6:30PM	Lenten Soup Supper—Stanton Reformed Church
Saturday, March 30	10:30AM	E'port Community Library work day
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Elizabethport Community Library Work Day & Launch Party Date

Another Elizabethport (E'port) Community Library work day is scheduled for Saturday, March 30, from 10:30AM to 3:30PM at the Elizabethport Presbyterian Center. *Volunteers should meet at LPC at 9:30AM for a ride.* Please let Susan Scott know if are planning to volunteer--susanscott823@gmail.com or call/text (908) 442-3200.

The E'port Community Library launch party is set for Saturday, April 13 from 11:00AM-2:00PM. Volunteers will help with crafts and games--like making bookmarks, painting book bags and giving tours of the new library with a "scavenger hunt." Anyone wanting to volunteer should meet at the church no later than 8:30AM and, please let Susan know no later than March 30 if you are planning to help out.



Wednesday Evenings 6:30-8:00PM

All are invited to participate in the **Wednesday evening ecumenical Lenten Soup Suppers**. There will be *five of these Lenten events jointly sponsored by area churches*. The overall theme is, "What gets in the way of following Jesus more closely?" Each week will be at a different church and a different pastor will lead the study portion of the evening. **Lamington Church will be hosting the Lenten Soup Supper this upcoming Wednesday—March 20.**

Wed. March 27

Stanton Reformed Church
1 Stanton Mountain Rd., Stanton, NJ
Rev. Thomas Jones

Wed. April 3

Readington Reformed Church
124 Readington Rd., Readington, NJ
Rev. Dianna Stone

Wed. April 10

Fairmount United Methodist Church
228 Old Turnpike Rd., Califon, NJ
Rev. Elizabeth Estes

Holy Week Services at Lamington Church

✠ Palm Sunday

April 14 at 10:15AM

✠ Maundy Thursday

April 18 at 7:00PM

✠ Easter Sunday

April 21 at 9:00AM & 11:00AM

(Egg Hunt in between worship services)



To All Basket Day Volunteers
TODAY after worship--We're Taking a Group Selfie!

Join in on the fun! We will be taking a group photo after worship today, and we want to include as many of our Basket Day helpers of all ages as we can—and of course Pastor Carl and Claire too!

Props are encouraged--such as aprons for Presbyterian Palate, a flowerpot, your favorite Basket Day hat, etc. The photo will be sent to local papers and online publications along with our press release—let's show the local community what a fun group we are!

The Officers of The Lamington Presbyterian Church

Session

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