



LEWISTOWN CHURCH  
**Presbyterian**

Shining the light of the gospel into the heart of Lewistown since 1785

**October 27, 2019**

**Reformation Sunday**

**Speaker:** Rev. Sarah Sedgwick

**Sermon:** What Are You Fighting For?

**Scripture:** Deut. 6:4-9; I Tim. 6:6-19

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## **Prelude**

Aria in F  
Ein feste Burg

Handel  
Ashdowne

## **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Introit**

Bless the Lord, O My Soul

Ippolitov-Ivanov

## **Call to Worship**

Leader: By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,  
O God of our salvation;

**All: You are the hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the farthest seas.**

Leader: By your strength you established the mountains;

**All: you are girded with might.**

Leader: You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of  
their waves, the tumult of the peoples.

**All: Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are  
awed by your signs; you make the gateways of  
the morning and evening shout for joy.**

Leader: Let us praise our Lord together!

\* **Hymn #40** (red)

To God Be The Glory

## **Call to Confession**

### **Prayer of Confession**

**No words can express the depth of our need or reveal  
the extent of our sin. But you know us completely, O  
God. When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, you forgive  
our transgressions. You rescue us from evil and clothe  
us with love. Humbly, we thank you; for no words can  
express our gratitude for the gift of your salvation.**

## **Silent Prayers of Confession**

## **Declaration of Pardon**

Sisters and brothers, the news is so good we can scarcely believe it. God does not hold our sin against us, but pours out abundant grace. Give thanks to God and by the Spirit's power. Share the gospel far and near: **In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

## **Passing of the Peace**

Leader: In Jesus Christ, we know God's forgiveness and peace. Let us share that peace with one another. The peace of Christ be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

**Anthem**                      I Love to Tell the Story                      G.M. Martin

## **Children's Chat**

## **Prayer of Illumination**

**Scripture**                      Deuteronomy 6:4-9; I Timothy 6:6-19

**Sermon**    What Are You Fighting For?

\* **Song**    How Great is Our God

1. The splendor of the King, clothed in majesty;  
Let all the earth rejoice,  
Let all the earth rejoice.  
He wraps Himself in light,  
And darkness tries to hide,  
It trembles at His voice, trembles at his voice.

*Chorus:*

*How great is our God!  
Sing with me, how great is our God!  
And all will see how great,  
How great is our God.*

2. From age to age He stands,  
And time is in his hands,  
Beginning and the end,  
Beginning and the end.  
The Godhead, three in one,  
Father, Spirit, Son,  
The Lion and the Lamb, Lion and the Lamb.

*Chorus:*

*How great is our God!  
Sing with me, how great is our God!  
And all will see how great,  
How great is our God.  
How great is our God!  
Sing with me, how great is our God!  
And all will see how great,  
How great is our God.*

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**\* Affirmation of Faith**

Philippians 2:5-11

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.**

**Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**Presentation of Tithes and Offerings**

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Brevis on "Hyfrydol"

Norris

Doxology #592 (blue)

Prayer of Dedication

**Hymn #317** (red)

Blessed Assurance

## Charge and Benediction

Friends in Christ: Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith,  
love, endurance, and gentleness.  
Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called.  
And may the sovereign Lord bless you,  
May the Christ of mercy keep you,  
And the Holy Spirit sustain you,  
In this life and the life to come.  
Alleluia! Amen!

## \* Closing Chorus

This is My Story

*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.*

## Postlude

Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

Wood

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*\*if comfortably able, please stand*

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## SERVING IN WORSHIP

**Accompanist:** Joan Loewen

**Introit & Anthem:** Chancel Choir; Director, Doug Garner

**Liturgist:** Lisa Snyder

**Next Week:** Kevin Kodish

**Acolyte:** Blake & Landon Cunningham

**Children's Chat:** Joan Loewen

**Next Week:** Pastor Sarah Sedgwick

**Ushers:** Leah Riden (head usher), Ray Wilde, Ginny

Westover, Mercy Westover, Maryann Haines, Elaine Siddons

**Children's Church:** Griffiths/Cunningham

**Next Week:** Communion, no Jr. church

**Preaching:** Rev. Sarah Sedgwick

**Infants/Preschool:** Venus Shade

**Next Week:** Kate Diven

**Deacon for the Month:** Elaine Siddons

**Counters:** Jack Wilson & Dave Noss

**Next Week:** Ed Curry & Lonnie Griffith

## **TODAY'S SCRIPTURE**

### **Deuteronomy 6:4-9**

Hear, O Israel: The LORD is our God, the LORD alone. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise. Bind them as a sign on your hand, fix them as an emblem on your forehead, and write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

### **I Timothy 6:6-19**

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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## **WEEKLY REFLECTION PAGE**

You are encouraged to use the reflection questions and prayers throughout the week to strengthen your relationship with Christ and all God's people.

### **Question for Reflection**

Jesus has harsh words for those who live in luxury and ignore the needs of the poor. Paul warns that "the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil." What is an appropriate Christian attitude toward wealth? How are we called to treat those who are poor?

### **Morning Prayer**

My God, out of darkness that stalks the night you bring the light of morning. Let my love for you not waste at noonday, but burn until evening again. Amen.

### **Evening Prayer – Psalm 121**

My God, Most High, day is done. I rest in your shelter, abide in your shadow, trust in you. Amen.

Feel free to share some thoughts on the reflection question with Pastor Sarah by emailing her at [pastorsedgwick@gmail.com](mailto:pastorsedgwick@gmail.com)



## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME!** If you are visiting with us, please sign the Visitors' Register and pick up a Welcome Brochure. Children's activity bags, Bibles, large print hymnals and hearing devices are available from the ushers.

**BE A BOOK BUDDY:** The Preschool and 3's are looking for congregation members to be book buddies with our students. For just \$10 you can sponsor a student and they will receive a brand new book every month of the school year. We would like to be able to supply a book to every child, so feel free to sponsor more than one! You can find envelopes and a collection box in the narthex. Thank you for your continued support! Please email Elder Leah Noerr at [leah.noerr@gmail.com](mailto:leah.noerr@gmail.com) for more information.

**VETERANS:** We would like to honor our veterans on Sunday, November 10. If you know of any veterans who are affiliated with Lewistown Presbyterian and who are not already on our list from last year, please send us their name, branch of the military and years of service. You can call the church 717-248-4561 or email the church at [lewispres@comcast.net](mailto:lewispres@comcast.net).

**BACKYARD MINISTRIES:** Thank you for considering these requests to serve the families in our community! We are truly blessed to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

- **PUMPKIN BREADS:** The week of Thanksgiving we will be delivering pumpkin breads to our backyard families. If you would like to make a bread, please bring it to the church by **November 24**. They can be made ahead and frozen! Small or large loaves are appreciated!
- **GIVING TREE:** Socks and "One Gift" per child. There is a tree in the narthex with tags indicating a boy or girl and size of the socks. Then purchase a toy for the boy or girl of no more than \$10 in value. Gifts will be returned to the church by **December 8**. Monetary donations are always appreciated as well, if shopping is not an option.
- **CHRISTMAS DINNER BAGS:** We are accepting donations of instant potatoes, stuffing mix, gravy packet, canned corn and beans for Christmas dinners. You may bring donations to the narthex.



**SUGGESTED DONATIONS FOR MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD FOR NOVEMBER:** pancake syrup, Ivory soap, rice, evaporated milk, applesauce, cereal and canned/boxed juices.

**YOUR CHURCH OFFICERS:** If you have an idea you would like to discuss with your church leaders, you are more than welcome to contact them.

- **Your Session** is responsible for the leadership of various aspects of the church's ministry. The following is a list of all your currently-serving elders & their respective committee responsibilities:
  - **Moderator:** Rev. Sarah Sedgwick
  - **Clerk:** Susan Ferguson
  - **Property:** Dave Noss & Carl Haldeman
  - **Christian Education:** Susan Ferguson & Leah Riden
  - **Fellowship:** Bill Sisson & Carole Auker
  - **Mission & Evangelism:** Karen McCurdy & Lisa Snyder
  - **Music/Worship:** Doug & Sue Garner & Cole Cullen
  - **Preschool:** Leah Noerr
  - **Stewardship:** Ruth Fisher, Lonnie Griffith, Ed Curry
- **Your Board of Deacons**, working with your pastors, is responsible for caring-ministries of the church. If you have an idea for them or know of someone who needs special attention, please contact them. They are: Gerri Aitkin - Moderator, Lynn Curry, Elaine Siddons, Larry Welshans, Zoe Finan, Doug Knudson, Miranda Shoop, Donis Zagurskie, Diane Griffith, Kris Hill, Michelle Knudson, Janie Welshans

**LEWISTOWN PRESBYTERIAN STAFF:**

**Interim Pastor:** Sarah Sedgwick

**Visitation Pastor:** Robert Zorn

**Christian Education Director:** Ginny Westover

**Choir Director:** Doug Garner

**Organist/Accompanist:** Joan Loewen

**Youth Choir Director:** Leah Riden

**Administrative Assistant:** Deb Yetter

**Financial Secretary:** Susan Ferguson

**Preschool Director:** Ginny Westover

**Preschool Teachers:** Margie Henry, Hope Staley

**Custodian:** Kathy Hardin

**Sexton/Security:** John Gregory

## **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

### **SUNDAY, October 27**

- 9:00 AM Adult Study Group – Library
- 9:15 AM Children’s Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 Pm Community Luncheon

### **MONDAY, October 28**

- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry

### **TUESDAY, October 29**

- 6:30 PM Small Group Study – third floor
- 7:00 PM Mt. Rock Cemetery Meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, October 30**

**No** Choir rehearsal tonight

### **SUNDAY, November 3** Communion

- 9:00 AM Adult Study Group – Library
- 9:15 AM Children’s Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship Service

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### **GIVING REPORT AS OF 10/20/19**

Weekly Need:	\$ 3,173.08	YTD Need:	\$ 133,277.36
Received:	\$ 3,177.00	YTD Received:	\$ 133,106.86