



LEWISTOWN CHURCH
Presbyterian

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

June 2, 2019
Ascension Sunday

Preaching: Rev. Jeanette Mater

Sermon: Dressed for Success

Scripture: John 17:20-23; Luke 24:44-53

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10:30 AM

Prelude	An Ascension Canticle The Saints' Delight	Antonyuk Wood
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Welcome and Announcements

Introit I'm Gonna Sing, I'm Gonna Shout!
Cedarmont Kids

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus has risen and ascended on high!

People: Our God reigns - robed with majesty and armed with strength.

Leader: God holds our world and our lives securely.

People: This is the God to whom we have given our lives—

Leader: The God and Father of our Lord, Jesus Christ is worthy of our worship and praise!

Leader: Let us pray:

All: Most High God, we are witnesses to the life of Jesus Christ: given in love for the world, risen from the dust of death, lifted up in heavenly glory. Let our lives proclaim Christ's life. As we worship you in this hour, wrap us in your power and presence so that the world might see your gracious mercy and lovingkindness in us, through Jesus Christ our Savior, Amen.

* Hymn #155 (blue)

Rejoice, the Lord is King

Prayer of Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

O God, our fears and prejudices run deep. Sometimes we can only see our own point of view. We stick with those who are like us, rarely venturing outside our comfort zones. We do not hear those crying for justice and true peace. We blame those who are suffering and in need, instead of standing by them. We deny the

power of your gospel to unite us with those who are different from us. Lord, give us eyes to see and ears to hear. Open us to new possibilities of life for all of your people, and use us to enact the new life given in Christ. Amen.

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Special Music How Firm a Foundation Arr: C. Berry

Passing of the Peace

Children's Chat

Scripture Reading

John 17:20-23

²⁰ "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me.

Luke 24:44-53

⁴⁴ Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." ⁴⁵ Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, ⁴⁶ and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, ⁴⁷ and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. ⁴⁸ You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹ And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

⁵⁰ Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. ⁵¹ While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. ⁵² And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; ⁵³ and they were continually in the temple blessing God.

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* Song

In the Bulb There is a Flower

1. In the bulb there is a flower;
In the seed, an apple tree;
In cocoons, a hidden promise:
The butterflies will soon be free!
In the cold and snow of winter
There's a spring that waits to be,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

2. There's a song in every silence,
Seeking word and melody;
There's a dawn in every darkness,
Bringing hope to you and me.
From the past will come the future;
What it holds, a mystery,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.

3. In our end is our beginning;
In our time, infinity;
In our doubt there is believing;
In our life, eternity.
In our death, a resurrection;
At the last, a victory,
Unrevealed until its season,
Something God alone can see.
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* Affirmation of Faith – Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again 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.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Badinerie

Bach

* **Doxology** #592 (blue)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him all creatures here below. Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts. Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.

Words of Institution

Sharing of the Bread and Cup

Prayer after Communion

* **Hymn #151** (blue) Crown Him with Many Crowns

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Chorus**

In the Bulb (verse 3)

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Postlude

Recessional in C

Wagner

**If comfortably able please stand*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Introit: Children's Choir, Leah Riden, director

Liturgist: Doug Garner

Next Week: Danny Garner

Special Music: Danny Garner, piano

Acolyte: Abi Siddons

Children's Sermon: Rev. Jeanette

Next Week: Kari Cullen

Announcements: Ruth Fisher

Ushers: Ruth Fisher (head usher) Harold & Gerri Aitkin, Bill Sisson, Karen McCurdy, Amy Smith

Children's Church: No Jr. church, Communion

Preaching: Rev. Jeanette Mater

Infants/Preschool: Zoe Finan

Next Week: Mercy Westover

Deacon for the Month: Kris Hill

Counters: Lonnie Griffith & Ed Curry

Next Week: Bill Sisson & Maryann Haines

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

PLEASE WELCOME REV. JEANETTE MATER to the pulpit this week. It is always a joy to have her lead worship.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY: Have you noticed the wheelbarrow in the Narthex? During the month of June, we are asking you to bring in your loose change and place it in the wheelbarrow in the Narthex. Did you know that the average wheelbarrow will hold \$500.00 worth of pennies?? Money collected will be given to Habitat for Humanity to support the Faith Build that is currently well underway in our community.

PENTECOST: Sunday, June 9. Wear red if you have it!

NEW MEMBER RECEPTION: Plan to greet our new members after worship Sunday, June 9.

PASTOR ON VACATION: Pastor Cindy will be on vacation and education leave through June 4. Please contact the office or Rev. Zorn with any urgent pastoral need.

THANK YOU so much for all of your positive thoughts and prayers during a very difficult time in my life. I am truly blessed to have the love of my family and support of so many people in the community. I go forward with the strength that God gives to me every day, and with gratitude to all those who show His love through their words and actions. ~*Heather Creighton*

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

June 2, 2019 – June 9, 2019

SUNDAY, June 2 Communion

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

MONDAY, June 3

- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry
- Christian Education Committee Meeting

WEDNESDAY, June 5

- 11:30 AM Presbyterian Women @ Honey Creek Inn

THURSDAY, June 6

- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry – church office
- 7:00 PM Property Committee Meeting

SUNDAY, June 9

- 9:00 AM Adult Study Group
- 9:45 AM Special Session Meeting
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM New Member Reception

GIVING REPORT AS OF 5/26/19

Weekly Need:	\$ 3,173.08	YTD Need:	\$ 66,614.68
Received:	\$ 1,770.00	YTD Received:	\$ 64,969.86