



**September 8, 2019**

**A Year in the Life of CE**

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# LEWISTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 8, 2019

10:30 AM

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**Prelude** Prelude and Toccata on "Praise to the Lord Almighty"  
J. Wayne Kerr

## Welcome and Announcements

**Introit** Jesus Loves the Little Children Ring Leader

## Call to Worship

**Leader:** **Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.**

**Congregation:** Worship the Lord with gladness!

**Choir:** Come into God's presence with singing!

**Leader:** **Know this! The Lord is God.**

**Congregation:** Know this! We belong to the Lord who made us.

**Choir:** Know this! We are God's people, and the sheep of God's pasture.

**Leader:** **So, enter God's gates with thanksgiving,**

**Congregation:** Come into the holy courts with praise.

**Choir:** Give thanks to God and bless God's holy name.

**Leader:** **For the Lord is good;**

**Congregation:** God's steadfast love endures forever,

**Choir:** God's faithfulness is for all generations.

**All:** **Come, let us worship our good and faithful God!**

\* **Hymns** Two favorite hymns chosen by members of the congregation. First verse and chorus only.

## Prayer of Confession

Eternal and merciful God, You have loved us with a love far beyond our understanding. You have chosen us before the foundation of the earth to be holy and blameless in your sight, yet too often we choose you only when it's convenient. We are your people yet the world cannot see this. We are your children, yet we choose to live in disunity. We are your voice, yet we often choose to be silent. We are your hands and feet, yet we walk a different road. Forgive us for ignoring your love, for brushing aside your hand and trusting our own wisdom. We need your forgiveness and cleansing.

## Silent Prayers of Confession

### Assurance of Forgiveness and Sharing Christ's Peace

Anthem

God is our Refuge

Allen Pote

### Children's Chat

### Scripture

Christian Ed

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\* **Affirmation of Faith** Apostles' Creed (Traditional)

**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.**

### Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Fairest Lord Jesus

Gayden Sakes

\* Doxology #592 (blue) or see screen

Lord's Prayer

Traditional

**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.**

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\* **Benediction**

\* **Closing Chorus**

Pass It On

*It only takes a spark to get a fire going  
And soon all those around can warm up to its glowing  
That's how it is with God's love  
Once you've experienced it  
You spread your love to everyone  
You want to pass it on*

**Postlude** O Lord We Praise Thee, Bless Thee and Adore Thee  
H. Scheidemann

*\*if comfortably able, please stand*

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**SERVING IN WORSHIP**

**Accompanist:** Ryan Ditmer

**Next Week:** Joan Loewen

**Introit:** Children's Choir; **Director:** Leah Riden

**Anthem:** Chancel Choir; **Director:** Doug Garner

**Liturgist:** Christian Ed

**Next Week:** Leah Riden

**Elder:** Ruth Fisher

**Next Week:** Sue Garner

**Acolyte:** Lucas Garner

**Children's Chat:** Elaine Siddons

**Next Week:** Leah Riden

**Ushers:** Karen McCurdy (head usher) Dale Henry, Dave Noss, Joyce Dixon, Cathy McClenahen, David Eichenlaub

**Children's Church:** Elaine Siddons

**Preaching Next Week:** Rev. Sam Strohm

**Infants/Preschool:** Mercy Westover

**Next Week:** Brett Buchanan

**Deacon for the Month:** Zoe Finan

**Counters:** Lisa Snyder & Lynn Curry

**Next Week:** Maryann Haines & Dave Noss

## **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.

**TUESDAY NIGHT GROUP:** Are you hungry for more of God's Word? Come to the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor Tuesday night at 6:30 PM for the beginning of a brand new study by N.T. Wright on 1 & 2 Timothy and Titus. Just as Timothy and Titus needed help to lead their young churches well in the midst of powerful cultural forces, we need guidance for correct leading and living in our own context. These studies on Paul's letters point us in the right direction. Thoughtful questions, prayer suggestions, and useful background and cultural information will guide us more deeply into God's Word. All are welcome to join us!

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING** next Sunday, September 15, immediately following the worship service in the Baraca room.

**HUNTINGDON PRESBYTERY CHILDREN'S FAIR:** All children K through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited **Saturday, September 21**, 2019. Huntingdon Presbyterian Church, 508 Mifflin Street, Huntingdon. The time is 10 AM—Noon. Registrations begins at 9:45 AM. Fun, games, learn about Deborah the Judge, prizes and snacks!

**LEMONADE ON THE LAWN:** There will be a time of fellowship on **Sunday, September 22** immediately following the worship service.

**PULPIT SUPPLY:** Please warmly welcome our guest preachers during the month of September. September 15, Rev. Sam Strohm; September 22, Rev. Kari Swigart; September 29, Rev. Jeanette Mater.

**NEW INTERIM PASTOR:** Plan to welcome our new Interim Pastor, Sarah Sedgwick, to the pulpit on October 6.

## **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

### **SUNDAY, September 8**

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

### **MONDAY, September 9**

- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry

### **TUESDAY, September 10**

- 6:30 AM Small Group Study – third floor

### **WEDNESDAY, September 11**

- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### **THURSDAY, September 12**

- 7:00 PM Session

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  - 10:30 AM Worship Service
  - 11:30 AM Nominating Committee Meeting – Baraca room
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If you would like to schedule a meeting or event at the church, please call the church office so that we can avoid conflicts and properly publicize church related events.

A number of 12 Step Groups meet in the church building throughout the week. If you or someone you know is interested, call the church office or check the listing at the Third Street church entrance for a list of meeting times.

### **GIVING REPORT AS OF 9/1/19**

Weekly Need: \$ 3,173.08	YTD Need: \$ 111,057.80
Received: \$ 3,642.00	YTD Received: \$ 109,103.36