



LEWISTOWN

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

5th Sunday after Epiphany February 9, 2020

Scripture: Isaiah 58:1-12; Matthew 5:13-20

Sermon: Living a Tasty, Lit-up Life

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10:30 AM

Prelude	Shall We Gather at the River? Seek Ye the Lord	Young Moore
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Welcome and Announcements

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

All: And also with you!

Introit Deep and Wide Everland/Curb/Warner Bros.

Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world.

All: Our faith, our love, our hope — essential as salt and light.

Leader: But if salt isn't salty?

All: It isn't what it's meant to be.

Leader: And if a light doesn't shine?

All: It isn't what it's meant to be.

Leader: Jesus says we are salt of the earth, light of the world. Shiny and bright, we are God's faithful people.

All: We shall be who we are meant to be in Christ: a welcoming oasis, a compassionate community, a justice-seeking people, giving glory to God!

Leader: Let us worship God together!

* **Hymn #454** (blue) Blessed Jesus, at Your Word

Call to Confession & Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we have asked for your righteous judgment against others, but we have not acknowledged the sin in our own lives. We have worshiped you with our lips but have dishonored you with our actions. We have prayed for you to end the suffering in our world yet have not practiced compassion and generosity toward others. Forgive our

self-righteousness and give us integrity of heart that we may shine forth the light of your salvation, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Declaration of Pardon

Leader: In mercy God forgives us our sin and grants us genuine repentance through the grace and power of the Holy Spirit.

All: Praise the Lord and bless God's holy name forever.

Anthem

Passing of the Peace

Leader: God has received us, pardoned us and loved us; let us forgive each other in love and share the peace of Christ by exchanging signs of peace with one another. The Peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

Children's Chat

Prayer of Illumination

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 58:1-12
Matthew 5:13-20

Sermon

Living a Tasty, Lit-up Life

*** Song of Praise**

Here I Am to Worship

1. Light of the world,
You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you,
Hope of a life spent with you.

Chorus:

*So here I am to worship;
Here I am to bow down;
Here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.*

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2. King of all days, Oh so highly exalted,
Glorious in heaven above;
Humbly you came to the earth you created,
All for love's sake became poor.

Bridge:

And I'll never know how much it cost,
To see my sin upon that cross.
And I'll never know how much it cost,
To see my sin upon that cross.
No I'll never know how much it cost,
To see my sin upon that cross.

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***Affirmation of Faith**

Colossians 1:15-20

Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible. All things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn of the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Amen.

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory O For a Heart to Praise My God

Powell

Doxology #592 (blue)

Prayer of Dedication

*** Hymn #306** (blue)

Fairest Lord Jesus

Benediction

Leader: "You are the salt of the earth."

All: Sprinkle us across our town, God, across our world, to bring the flavor of your Kingdom wherever we go.

Leader: "You are the light of the world."

**All: Uncover the radiance that is within us, God,
to shine the truth of your love wherever we go.**

Leader: "Let your light shine before others"

**All: That everyone we meet may see our lives of
worship and glorify you, our Father in heaven.
Amen.**

Closing Chorus #542 (screen)

God Be with You

*God be with you till we meet again;
Loving counsels guide, uphold you,
With a shepherd's care enfold you:
God be with you will we meet again.*

Postlude

Tocatta on "Hymn to Joy"

Macchia

**if comfortably able, please stand*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Introit: Children's Choir; Director, Leah Riden

Anthem: Chancel Choir; Director, Doug Garner

Liturgist: Danny Garner

Next Week: Alex Garner

Acolyte: Lucas Garner

Children's Chat: Lynn Curry

Next Week: Ginny Westover

Ushers: Ed Curry (head usher), Shelly & Kevin Kodish, Jean Burlew, Karen McCurdy, Donis Zagurskie

Children's Church: Elaine Siddons

Next Week: Ginny Westover

Infants/Preschool: Maryann Haines

Next Week: Mercy Westover

Deacon for the Month: Donis Zagurskie

Counters: Lisa Snyder & Lynn Curry

Next Week: Maryann Haines & Karen McCurdy

Scripture Readings

Isaiah 58:1-12

Shout out, do not hold back!

Lift up your voice like a trumpet!

Announce to my people their rebellion,
to the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet day after day they seek me

and delight to know my ways,

as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness
and did not forsake the ordinance of their God;

they ask of me righteous judgments,

they delight to draw near to God.

“Why do we fast, but you do not see?

Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?”

Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day,
and oppress all your workers.

Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight
and to strike with a wicked fist.

Such fasting as you do today

will not make your voice heard on high.

Is such the fast that I choose,

a day to humble oneself?

Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush,

and to lie in sackcloth and ashes?

Will you call this a fast,

a day acceptable to the LORD?

Is not this the fast that I choose:

to loose the bonds of injustice,

to undo the thongs of the yoke,

to let the oppressed go free,

and to break every yoke?

Is it not to share your bread with the hungry,

and bring the homeless poor into your house;

when you see the naked, to cover them,

and not to hide yourself from your own kin?

Then your light shall break forth like the dawn,

and your healing shall spring up quickly;

your vindicator shall go before you,

the glory of the LORD shall be your rear guard.

Then you shall call, and the LORD will answer;

you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

If you remove the yoke from among you,

the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil,

if you offer your food to the hungry
and satisfy the needs of the afflicted,
then your light shall rise in the darkness
and your gloom be like the noonday.
The LORD will guide you continually,
and satisfy your needs in parched places,
and make your bones strong;
and you shall be like a watered garden,
like a spring of water,
whose waters never fail.
Your ancient ruins shall be rebuilt;
you shall raise up the foundations of many generations;
you shall be called the repairer of the breach,
the restorer of streets to live in.

Matthew 5:13-20

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled underfoot.

"You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

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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.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS today are given in loving memory of Guy and Gladys Mosgrave by Dave, LaDonna, Andrew, Jess and Emma Smith.

DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY, the choir will be singing anthems from the African and African American traditions during worship in honor of Black History Month.

THE WORSHIP COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU! If you are interested in designing slides for the screen on Sunday mornings or simply using a laptop to move the slides forward during the service, please speak to Doug Garner or Cole Cullen. This is a great way to participate in our weekly worship together!

THE CENTRAL PENNSYLVANIA WORLD HUNGER ASSOCIATION'S 46TH ANNUAL MEAT CANNING PROJECT will be held on February 10 – 13 at the East Derry Fire Company, Lewistown. Times will be from 7 AM to 7 PM, and cleanup. Youth must be accompanied by a parent. Groups are encouraged to schedule times, but all walk-ins are welcome and needed. For more information, call John Coldren at (717) 250-6840, Jesse Diem at (717) 348-9577 or Ben Stoltzfus (814) 625-2430. Donations can be made to: The Central Pa. World Hunger Association, P.O. Box 76, Belleville, PA 17004

A WORSHIP SERVICE OF INSTALLATION will be held next Sunday, February 16, 2020 at 3:00 PM for Rev. Sarah E. Sedgwick. The Presbytery of Huntingdon and Lewistown Presbyterian Church invites you to attend the service as we install Pastor Sarah as our next Pastor. The service will be held in our sanctuary, followed by a reception downstairs after the service. Please RSVP so we can prepare for the reception.

COME SEE THE MOVIE "A BEAUTIFUL DAY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD:" A timely story of kindness triumphing over cynicism, based on the true story of a real-life friendship between Fred Rogers and journalist Tom Junod. After a jaded magazine writer is assigned a profile of Fred Rogers, he overcomes his skepticism, learning about kindness, love and forgiveness from America's most beloved neighbor." We will be showing the film at

Lewistown Presbyterian **Sunday, February 23 at 12:30 PM and Saturday, February 29 at 10 AM.** Childcare is available. Please RSVP with how many will be attending and their ages. 717-248-4561 or lewispres@comcast.net

OUR ALL CHURCH LENTEN STUDY begins March 1. The study is: *The Gospel According to Mr. Rogers: Healing and Freedom from Forgiveness.* The season of Lent provides a time for us to explore the necessity for forgiveness as we approach the crucifixion of Jesus Christ. We can learn a lot about expressing our emotions and extending forgiveness through the lives of Jesus Christ and Fred Rogers.

You are encouraged to join one of several small groups to discuss "A Beautiful Day in the Neighborhood" movie and lessons from Mr. Rogers. Small groups will meet once a week beginning the week of March 1. Sign up on the table in the narthex this month. Small groups will meet: Sundays at 9 AM, 12 noon, 4:30 PM and 6 PM (Youth Group), Tuesday evenings at 6:30 PM, Wednesday afternoon at 2 PM (Valley View), and Wednesday nights at 6 PM.

LENTEN KIDZ KLUB: MARCH 1 – APRIL 5. Children in Pre K – 5th grade will enjoy Bible adventures, games, crafts and songs every Sunday afternoon from 4:30 – 5:30 PM. Families are welcome to join us for supper at 5:30 PM. This year's Kidz Klub is called **LOL** (Living our Lives, Loving our Lord)! Our verse is from Psalm 139, "*O Lord...you know everything about me. You are intimately acquainted with all my ways.*" Whether we're glad, mad or sad Jesus loves us! We'll be learning about the story of Joseph, and with the help of emoji's, take a look at all of Joseph's adventures. Kidz Klub will end with an emoji egg hunt on Sunday, April 5.

APRIL PAIGE IS LIVING AT SHIRLEY HOME. The address is 17050 Country View Lane, Shirleysburg, PA 17260 if you would like to send her a card or make a visit.

GIVING REPORT AS OF 2/2/2020

Weekly Need: \$ 3,056.17	YTD Need: \$15,280.85
Received: \$ 3,150.01	YTD Received: \$ 15,101.01

WEEKLY REFLECTION PAGE

The weekly reflection page is a resource for your use to dig deeper into today's scripture and worship theme.

Question for Reflection

How do I live with the mind of Christ in my daily activities? If I let my light shine what will others see in me? Will others see Jesus? Will they give glory to God?

Morning Prayer

God, open my eyes to see the world through your compassion. Open my mind to understand the world through your wisdom. Open my heart to receive the world through your love. Amen.

Evening Prayer

Lord, if I have lived this day in the knowledge that perishes, correct my thoughts, rectify my judgments, and mend my foolish ways. Give me the mind of Christ that I may see the world rightly and discern the blessings you bestow. Amen.

Feel free to share some thoughts on the reflection question with Pastor Sarah by emailing her at pastorsedgwick@gmail.com



CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY, February 9

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

MONDAY, February 10

- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry

TUESDAY, February 11

- 6:30 PM Small Group Study – third floor

WEDNESDAY, February 12

- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, February 13

- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry
- 6:30 PM Session

SUNDAY, February 16

- 9:00 AM Adult Study Group – Library
- 9:15 AM Children’s Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 3:00 PM Pastor Sarah’s Installation Service & Reception

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.