



**November 15, 2020**  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Sermon:**

Every Good Gift: Generous Empathy

**Scripture:**

Psalm 90:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16

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# LEWISTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

*~Respond by reading the words printed in **BOLD** during our  
worship together~*

## **Prelude**

The Ash Grove  
Prelude on "Dix"

Helman  
Smith

## **Welcome and Announcements**

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

**All: And also with you!**

Welcome to our Zoom online worship service this morning. Today is November 15, 2020 and I am Rev. Sarah Sedgwick from Lewistown Presbyterian Church.

We begin our service with a few announcements:

- Stewardship pledges will be dedicated today during our worship service. Pledges can be mailed to the church or placed in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary.
- Christmas Cards 2020: The Deacons have provided a basket in the narthex to collect Christmas cards for our shut-ins. The Christmas Card list is in the back of the bulletin and there is a copy by the card basket. Please bring in your cards by Sunday, December 13, and the Deacons will deliver them. If you are unable to bring the cards to church, please let the church office know and a Deacon will pick them up for you.
- If you are able help keep our Backyard Ministry kids warm this winter, please consider donating towards our annual collection. If you want to shop, please call Lynn Curry at 717-250-5957, and she will give you a size for a girl or boy. Financial donations are greatly appreciated from those who would rather let us do the shopping. As of right now, we have 56 children who need our help!
- The youth group will meet tonight at 6 PM on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the church. Youth in grades 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> are invited to attend for an evening of Bible study and fellowship.
- Submissions for the December/January Panorama are due Sunday, November 22.

Let us worship God with our whole selves as we join together in the Call to Worship.



## **Prayer for Illumination**

As we prepare our whole selves to listen to the Word of our Lord, let us pray:

Come, Holy Spirit, open our minds and hearts this day, that we may be illumined by your living Word and walk together as children of light. Amen.

## **Scripture Readings**

Psalm 90:1-12; Ephesians 4:1-16

## **Sermon**

Every Good Gift: Generous Empathy

## **Affirmation of Faith**

**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; 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: In giving to God, we grow closer to God. Let us offer our life and labor to the One who draws near and freely gives the treasure of eternal life in Christ. We bring our annual pledges today as a sign of our gratefulness for all the ways in which God has given to us. Let us trust that the Lord will provide for the needs of this church we have been called to join. Let us give with joyful and generous hearts by placing our pledges in the offering plates at the back of the sanctuary when we leave this space.

Offertory

In Cloud and Sea

Elliott

Prayer of Dedication: O God of constancy, you are our home and dwelling place forever. Thank you for giving your people a gift beyond all value, the treasure of eternal life. Bless our gifts that we offer to you this day. Bless the pledges we make this day for your glory. With them may we share your love with others that all may enter into your eternal joy. Amen.

**Hymn**

We All Are One in Mission

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**Charge and Blessing**

Sisters and brothers, God in Christ has given us the glorious treasure of eternal life. Do not leave this treasure hidden, but rather enjoy its abundance with everyone.

And may God keep you fervent in faith, steadfast in hope, and constant in love. And the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.

**Postlude**

Trumpet Tune in C

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**SERVING IN WORSHIP**

**Accompanist:** Joan Loewen

**Worship Assistant:** Alex or Danny Garner

**Next Week:** Susan Ferguson

**Children's Chat:** Ginny Westover

**Next Week:** Kari Cullen

**Giving Report as of 11/8/20**

Weekly Need: \$3,056.17

YTD Need: \$137,527.04

Received \$3,919.00

YTD Received: \$130,254.76

## **Weekly Reflection Page**

*Please use these questions and prayers throughout this coming week.*

### **Questions for Reflection**

In what ways has someone else's empathy or compassion impacted you?

### **Morning Prayer**

I give thanks this day for the gift of Christ and the privilege to follow in this way. This is the greatest life-giving treasure that I am called to steward; may I share this as freely as I have received it from the One who gave himself for the life of the world. May I be continually awakened to your love this day. Amen.

### **Evening Prayer**

God, I do not like to confront what I cannot control; I shrink before my own limitations and human frailty. Help me to trust in your steadfast constancy and know that your sovereign goodness is all that I need. Teach me to number my days so that I may grow wise in heart, knowing that no matter their length, I dwell in you eternally. Amen.



## **PRAYER GUIDE**

### **Our Community**

- For those who are struggling with isolation; a decrease in paid work hours; homelessness; addiction & forms of abuse.

### **Our Nation**

- Elected officials; peace in our nation and world

### **For Our Ministry Leaders**

- Rev. Sarah Sedgwick, staff, deacons, elders, & volunteers

### **Prayer Requests**

- Bill Sisson: recovery from surgery on Oct. 20
- Brad Siddons: weekly transfusions; cancer treatment; abscessed tooth
- Ryan Dixon: cancer
- Denise Beltzner: scleroderma and lupus
- Linda Miller: now at home; continued prayers for healing
- Debbie: breast cancer
- William Smith, 16 yr. old: cancer
- Curt Warfel; health concerns
- Rich Harper; chemo treatments
- Megan Earnest: ongoing health concerns
- George Garner: terminally ill
- Levi Foltz: 2-year-old with a tumor

### **Those in Care Facilities**

- Valley View: Mary Lou Ingram, Jack Irrgang
- Ohesson: Etta Majestic, Shirley Ferguson, Lavonne Ball
- Shirley Home (Shirleysburg): Carl Knepp
- Hearthside (State College): Mary McClellan
- Locust Grove Retirement Village: Doris Hoverter

### **Those in the Military**

01/LT Allison (Harklerode) Conforte, BM3 Tyler M. Earnest, SFC William Corson, SGT John Dietz, SSGT Tyler Treaster

### **Our Mission Partners**

Shelter Services, Habitat for Humanity, Backyard Ministries  
Heart 2 Heart Program, LUMINA Center, Leah & Francis Daytec  
(Philippines), Camp Krislund, Adventures in Mission &  
BuildinGuate

### **Families of the Week**

- James Johnson
- Marilyn Miller



**CHRISTMAS CARDS 2020:** The Deacons have provided a basket in the narthex to collect Christmas cards for our shut-ins. Please bring in your cards by Sunday, December 13, and the Deacons will deliver them. If you are unable to bring the cards to church, please let the church office know and a Deacon will pick them up for you. We will be collecting cards for:

Lavonne Ball  
Donald Black  
Nancy Bowman  
Nancy Carter  
Jean Clark  
Shirley Ferguson  
Audrey Hassinger  
Doris Hoverter  
Mary Lou Ingram  
John Irrgang

Carl Knepp  
Lois Notestine  
Thiry Olbrich  
April Paige  
Joan Renaldi  
Shirley Setzler  
Brad Siddons  
Marsha Soult  
Lowell & Dottie Stephens  
Virginia Warfel

**Addresses for you to send cards:**

Rev. Cindy & Dave Carlisle  
8 Crabapple Court  
Lake in the Hills, IL 60158

Dr. Eric & Becky Hinderliter  
1311 Climbing Rose  
Cary, NC 37518

Rev. Larry & Nancy Chottiner  
642 Alcott Drive  
Mount Joy, PA 17552

Phyllis Hinderliter  
76 Partridge Circle  
Carlisle, PA 17013

Rev. James & Devon Thomas  
382 Shaw Road  
Ridley Park, PA 19078



# Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound 280

AMAZING GRACE CM

Stanzas 1-4, John Newton, 1779

Stanza 5, *A Collection of Sacred Ballads*, 1790*Virginia Harmony*, 1831

Arr. Edwin O. Excell, 1900

1. A - maz - ing grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me!  
 2. 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears re - lieved;  
 3. Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares, I have al - read - y come;  
 4. The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His word my hope se - cures;

I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.  
 How pre - cious did that grace ap - pear The hour I first be - lieved!  
 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.  
 He will my shield and por - tion be As long as life en - dures.

5. When we've been there ten thousand  
 years,  
 Bright shining as the sun,  
 We've no less days to sing God's praise  
 Than when we'd first begun.

*Choctaw*

Shilombish holitopa ma!  
 Ishmminti pulla cha  
 Hatak ilbusha pia ha  
 Is pi yukpalashke

*Kiowa*

Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy he tsow'haw  
 Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy hee.  
 Bay dawtsahy taw, gaw aym ow thah t'aw,  
 Daw k'ee da ha dawtsahy h'ee.

*Cherokee*

Ooh nay thla nah, hee oo way gee'.  
 E gah gwoo yah hay ee.  
 Naw gwoo joe sah, we you low say,  
 E gah gwoo yah ho nah.

*Creek*

Po ya fek cha he thlat ah tet  
 Ah non ah cha pa kas  
 Cha fee kee o funnan la kus  
 Um e ha ta la yus.

*Navaho*

Nizhónígo jooba' diits' a'  
 Yisdáshítinigí,  
 Lah yóóiyá, k'ad shénáhoosdzin,  
 Doo eesh'íj da ní't'éé.

TEXT: Phonetic transcription Cherokee, Kiowa, Creek, and Choctaw: Oklahoma Indian Missionary Conference;  
 Navaho: phonetic transcription by Albert Tsosie.

## We All Are One in Mission

1 We all are one in mis - sion; we all are one in  
 2 We all are called for ser - vice to wit - ness in God's  
 3 Now let us be u - nit - ed and let our song be

4  
 call, our var - ied gifts u - nit - ed by  
 name. Our min - is - tries are dif - ferent; our  
 heard. Now let us be a ves - sel for

7  
 Christ, the Lord of all. A sin - gle, great com -  
 pur - pose is the same: to touch the lives of  
 God's re - deem - ing word. We all are one in

10  
 mis - sion com - pels us from a - bove to plan and work to -  
 oth - ers by God's sur - prising grace, so ev - ery folk and  
 mis - sion; we all are one in call, our var - ied gifts u -

14  
 geth - er that all may know Christ's love.  
 na - tion may feel God's warm em - brace.  
 nit - ed by Christ, the Lord of all.

## **SUNDAY WORSHIP**

Time: November 15, 2020 9:30 AM, Kidz Zoom Zone; 10:00 AM Fellowship Time; 10:30 AM Worship

**FROM YOUR COMPUTER OR LAPTOP – CLICK ON THE HYPERLINK BELOW**

This is the most convenient option

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5766618472>

When prompted Enter Password: 4561

**KIDZ ZOOM – CLICK ON THE HYPERLINK BELOW**

Join Zoom Meeting for Kidz Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88365779417?pwd=RktDS0Qxcmk5eUZaEpoazBhbXQ0dz09>

Meeting ID: 883 6577 9417

Passcode: 9643

**ONE TAP MOBILE (iPhone) Be sure you have the Zoom App first**

Meeting ID: 576 661 8472

Password: 4561

**DIAL BY USING YOUR LANDLINE**

Call 1-312-626-6799

Meeting ID: 576 661 8472 followed by #

Password: 4561 followed by #

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Find us on ZOOM for 10 am LIVE Fellowship Time; 10:30 AM Recorded Worship. Meeting ID is 576 661 8472; Password is 4561. Questions about connectivity? Contact Elder Susan Ferguson at slf615@gmail.com or 717-250-5774.

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