

"The Mission of Lycoming Presbyterian Church is to proclaim the gospel to its members and the world." - *The Session*

WORSHIP 10:45 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 AM

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THE LORD'S SUPPER

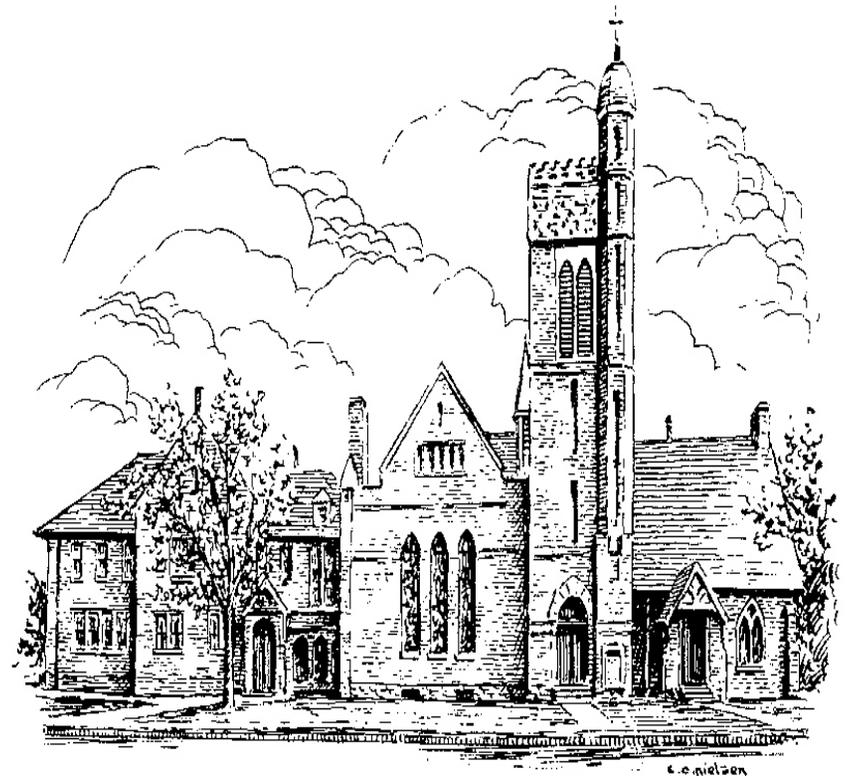
Ordinarily the first Sunday of the month, or as occasion warrants.

BAPTISM

Please contact the Church Office.

The Lycoming Presbyterian Church

Where Faith and Hospitality Meet



Organized 1792

THE GREAT ENDS OF THE CHURCH are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of the divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.

GOOD MORNING
AND
WELCOME TO WORSHIP
IN GOD'S HOUSE

*We hope that our visitors will feel at home in the service.
To aid your participation, please refer to the laminated worship
guide in your pew rack.*

*To make your presence known, please complete a
visitor's card provided there and place it in the collection plate.*

THE VISION OF LYCOMING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

“Lycoming Presbyterian Church lives to do three things:

- † ***To introduce Jesus Christ to those who do not
know and love Him;***
- † ***To deepen the faith and commitment of those
who already know Him;***
- † ***To demonstrate Christ's way of love in service
to the world.”***

CHRIST IS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

As the candles are lit, we bid you to seek the Light.
May those who sorrow find comfort; the weary, rest;
the troubled, peace; the stranger, friends;
the happy, joy;
and to all the sense of God's presence in this, His Holy Place.
Let all the world keep silent before Him.

GATHERING TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

“Praise God for This Holy Ground”

To God Be the Glory

To God be the glory; great things he has done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Chorus

***Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord; let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory: great things he has done!***

Great things he has taught us; great things he has done,
and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
but purer and higher and greater will be
our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Chorus

My Tribute

To God be the glory, to God be the glory,
to God be the glory for the things He has done.
With his blood He has saved me; with his power he has raised me;
to God be the glory for the things He has done.

CARING FOR CHAPLAINS & MILITARY PERSONNEL

A Ministry to Those who Serve Our Nation

We are supporting *Caring for Chaplains and Military Personnel* by means of a free will offering. Our chaplains are truly the unsung heroes who support our men & women who serve our country. They are there to provide comfort, guidance & hope to those in need. There is a special basket in the lounge for your donations.

RUMMAGE SALE

May 20th is the date for our Rummage Sale. Slightly used, clean & not broken items are welcome. Mark your items & pack separately - men's shirts, women's tops, etc. *Please place your items only on the left hand side of the stage!!!*

COFFEE HOUR

The Coffee Hour is hosted by Joann Ashenfelder. Please join us in the lounge for a time of fellowship and refreshments.

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING

Last Sunday the attendance at the Sunrise Service was 21 & at the regular worship service it was 21.

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 23	Worship	10:45 AM
April 26	BINGO	7:00 PM
	Presbyterian Home, Deacons	
April 29	Spaghetti Dinner	4:30 PM - 6:30 PM

NIGHT OUT EATING

No place has been chosen yet for our next "Night Out Eating". Let's choose a place during the Coffee Hour.

NEW WEB-SITE

Please check out our new web-site. It's in the beginning stages right now, but take a look at what's there now.

www.lpcarchst.com

★ THE BELL TOLLS AND WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

Elder Jean Bell

Beadle

★ ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE GIVEN

★ GOD CALLS US TO CELEBRATE (from Hebrews 12:1-2)

B: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely. . .

P: And let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the author and finisher of our faith . . .

B: Who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

★ WE OPEN IN PRAYER

HYMN SING

"To God Be the Glory" & "My Tribute"

★ OUR PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Grant unto us, O God, the fullness of your promises. Where we have sinned, grant us your forgiveness. Where we have been weak, grant us your strength. Where we have been confused, grant us your guidance. Where we have been distraught, grant us your comfort. Where we have been dead, grant us your life. Apart from you, O Lord, we are nothing; and in and with you we can do all things. Amen

★ ASSURANCE OF PARDON

★ WE SAY WHAT WE BELIEVE

(Apostle's Creed)
(Worship Guide)

★ THE GLORIA PATRI

(Worship Guide)

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE

John 20:19-31 (NLT)

★ Those of the congregation who are able to do so, please stand.

CHILDREN'S LESSON

"Up and Down Faith"

MESSAGE

"Afraid of Hope"

Rev. Dr. Larry LeFeber

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

HYMN

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

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WE BRING OUR GIFTS

(If you are visiting with us today, please sign a visitor's pew card and place it in the offering plate.)

THE OFFERTORY

"Hope of the World"

★ THE PRESENTATION AND DOXOLOGY (Worship Guide)

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING HYMN

"Because He Lives"

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BEARING LIGHT TO THE WORLD

**"May the Lord watch between me and thee,
while we are absent one from another."**

★ SINGING THE BENEDICTION

"Blest Be the Tie"

(Worship Guide)

(Congregation Joins Hands)

THE POSTLUDE

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS: To the Glory and Honor of God.

ACOLYTE: Craig Myers

THIS WEEK AT LYCOMING:

Monday & Wednesday, 6:00 - 8:00 PM:

Christian Martial Arts/Warriors for Christ

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9:00 AM - 12:00PM:

Lycoming Nursery School

Saturday, 4:30 PM - 6:30 PM: Spaghetti Dinner

WELCOME

If you are visiting with us today, we welcome you and hope you will visit with us again. Please sign a visitor's pew card and place it in the offering plate. Thank you.

2017 MAY FRIENDSHIP DAY

"Kindling New Fires of Love" will be the topic of the May Friendship Day program to be held at Pine Street United Methodist Church, on Friday, *May 6th*. The theme focuses on the role of Christian women in addressing the needs of children in our communities. A representative from CASA of Lycoming County will be the speaker. Lunch will be served at Noon with the program beginning at 1:15 PM. Cost is \$9.00 per person. Luncheon reservations must be made by April 26 & must be pre-paid.

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Our offering for the One Great Hour of Sharing to date is \$316.33. If you forgot to return your 'Fish Bank' you can still do so.

We greatly appreciate your donations!

SPAGHETTI DINNER

April 29th is our next dinner & the last dinner until September! We will need your help & also your donations of pies & cakes for the dessert table. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

WARRIOR'S FOR CHRIST/CHRISTIAN MARTIAL ARTS

Classes are held here at LPC Monday & Wednesday evenings from 6:00 PM - 8:00PM. Please feel free to observe the classes. They are very interesting! Shihan Steve Hunter is the instructor. The Children's class is from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM & Teen/Adults class is from 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM.