

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:30 AM ♦ WORSHIP 10:45 AM

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THE SESSION: MARIANNE TUPPER, CLERK

2017	2018	2019
Jean Bell	Bill Kelly	Heath Barry
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THE BOARD OF DEACONS: CHRISTINE ATKINS, MODERATOR

2017	2018	2019
Christine Atkins	Betty Kelly	Gloria Reillo
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CHURCH SCHOOL	FINANCIAL SECRETARY	HEAD USHER
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THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS:

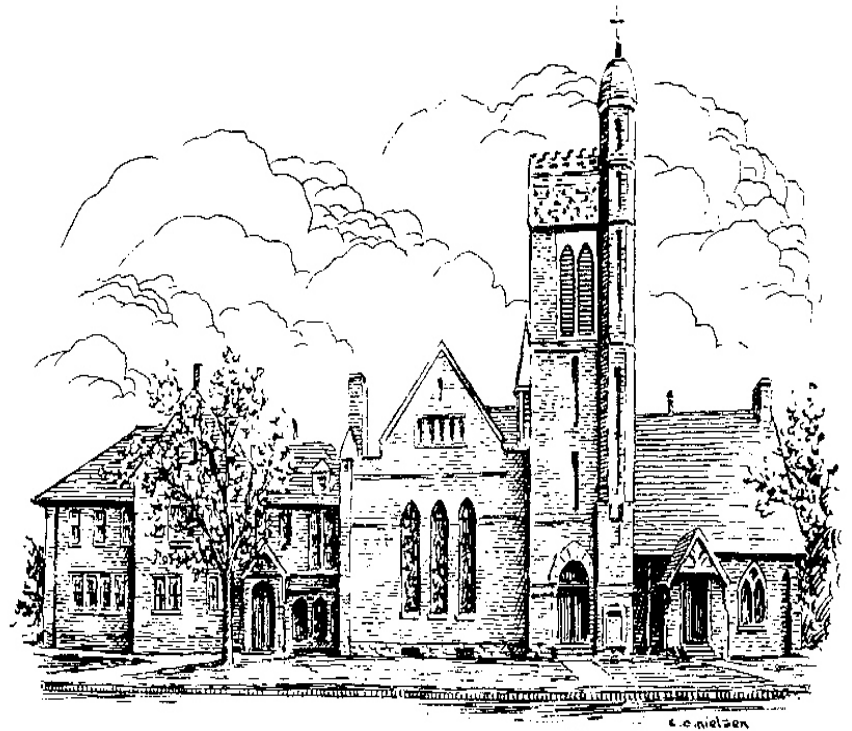
THE LORD'S SUPPER

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

BAPTISM

Please contact the Church Office.

The Lycoming Presbyterian Church *Celebrating 225 Years*



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.

18TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST OCTOBER 8, 2017
HOMECOMING SUNDAY - 225TH ANNIVERSARY

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

“How Great Thou Art”

SPAGHETTI DINNER: We took in \$1,195.00 at the dinner. Thanks again for all your help. It was greatly appreciated!

RUMMAGE SALE: *Saturday is our Church Rummage Sale.* Please make sure you have your items on the stage no later than Wednesday. **Remember - only slightly used, clean & not broken items will be accepted.** If you could donate food items for the food sale that would be greatly appreciated. Please volunteer to help set-up. Don't forget we need man power too.

MEMBER LIST: You will find a copy of the member list in the lounge. If there are corrections please see Marianne. Thank you.

WARRIOR'S FOR CHRIST/CHRISTIAN MARTIAL ARTS: Classes are held here at LPC Monday & Wednesday evenings from 5:30 PM - 8:45PM. Please feel free to observe the classes. The instructor is Shihan Steve Hunter. Little Ninja class is from 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM, Children's class is from 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM, Adults & Older Teens meet at 7:00 PM -8:00 PM & Ken-jutsu (Japanese Sword Arts) class is from 8:00 PM - 8:45 PM.

FOOD COLLECTION: The Deacons are collecting food every Sunday for the West End Christian Community Center Food Pantry. Try to bring in at least one box or can of food to fill our basket. ***Please help us give to those who are less fortunate than we are with the gift of food.*** Thank you.

THANK YOU: A ***BIG THANK YOU*** to everyone who help with the Anniversary Celebration. ***You did a great job!***

THANK YOU TO OUR VISITORS: ***“Friends like you are a rare treasure.” We certainly do have lots of treasures. Thank you for returning to LPC for our special celebration. You are always welcome here at Lycoming Presbyterian Church!***

NIGHT OUT EATING: Our next ‘Night Out Eating’ is Tuesday evening ***October 10th at Waltz's Creamery.*** Remember to use the sign-up sheet in the lounge if you plan to attend. Reservations will be called in tomorrow.

THANK YOU: We would like to thank Bob and Mary Van Voorst for returning to LPC and taking part in the service and all our other members who participated. Thanks so much!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FLOWERS: To the Glory and Honor of God.

ACOLYTE: Craig Myers

OFFERING: Budd and Jean Bell

THIS WEEK AT LYCOMING:

Tuesday, 6:00 PM: Night Out Eating
Waltz's Creamery & Restaurant, Salladasburg

Wednesday, 7:00 PM: Session

Saturday, 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM: Church Rummage Sale

Monday & Wednesday, 5:30 PM - 8:45 PM
Christian Martial Arts/Warriors for Christ

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 9:00 AM - Noon
Lycoming Nursery School

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.

ATTENDANCE & OFFERING: The attendance was 29 and the offering was \$482.00.

HOMECOMING FELLOWSHIP: Last evening was a time of reminiscing about Lycoming Church. Lots of stories and pictures were shared as well as several slides of past happenings of the church. Many individuals were mentioned - all in a good way. (Were your ears ringing last evening?) If so, that's why! A fun evening!!!

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON FOLLOWING WORSHIP:

Everyone is welcome to join us in Fellowship Hall following our service for our luncheon. Lots of good food & great fellowship! There will be more reminiscing and if you didn't get to see the pictures last evening they'll be available.

APPRECIATION SUNDAY – OCTOBER 22ND: Join us as we show our appreciation to our members for all they do for our church. *Thanks for all you do! Every one in our church is a volunteer in one way or another!*

★ THE BELL TOLLS AND WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

Elder Heath Barry

Beadle

★ ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE GIVEN

★ GOD CALLS US TO CELEBRATE

B: As you sent disciples into every land, O God, gather them now, from the ends of the earth, into one fellowship that chooses your purpose and praises your name, in one faith, and one love.

P: Amen.

B: Make us one, Lord, in our eagerness to speak good news and set all captives free.

P: Give us your Holy Spirit.

B: Make us one, Lord, in concern for the poor, the hurt, and the downtrodden, to show them your love.

P: Give us your Holy Spirit.

B: Make us one, Lord, in worship, breaking bread together and singing your praise with single voice.

P: Give us your Holy Spirit.

B: Make us one, Lord, in faithfulness to Jesus Christ, who never fails us, and who will come again in triumph.

P: Give us your Holy Spirit.

B: Give us your Holy Spirit, God our Father, so we may have among us the same mind that was in Christ Jesus; and proclaim him to the world. May every knee bow down and every tongue confess him Lord, to the glory of your name.

ALL: Amen.

★ WE OPEN IN PRAYER

HYMN SING "My Hope is Built on Nothing Less"
"The Church's One Foundation"
(Printed on insert)

★ OUR PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)

God of mercy, forgive and correct the wrong we have done this day. We have turned from the way of your son Jesus and have not cared for neighbors. We have permitted pride to blind and anger to burn, and we have failed to live the new life you have given us. We come to you with little to offer except our sins, begging mercy in the name of Jesus Christ, who was always faithful to you, and is always faithful to us. 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 Psalm 119:89-96 (MSG)
Betty Tompkins
Lamentations 3:19-31 (NLT)
Rev. Robert Van Voorst
1Corinthians 10:12-17 (NLT)
Chris Atkins

CHILDREN'S LESSON

HYMN
"Now Thank We All Our God" #525

MESSAGE
"Praise and Thanksgiving for God's Faithfulness"
The Rev. Dr. Larry LeFeber

RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

HOLY COMMUNION BY INTINCTION

The Invitation
Prayers with Words of Institution

★ Communion Hymn
"Near the Cross" #254

(People come down the center aisle to receive the Bread, dip the tip into the Cup, partake, and then return to their seat.)

Closing Communion Prayer

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Mary Van Voorst ~Flute Solo~

★ THE PRESENTATION AND DOXOLOGY
(Worship Guide)

★ CLOSING HYMN
"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #98

BEARING LIGHT TO THE WORLD (Acolyte)

★ SAYING THE BENEDICTION
"May the Lord watch between me and thee,
while we are absent one from another."

★ SINGING THE BENEDICTION
"Blest Be the Tie" (Worship Guide)

THE POSTLUDE

"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"