



LEWISTOWN CHURCH  
**Presbyterian**

Shining the light of the gospel into the heart of Lewistown since 1785  
May 28, 2017

**Guest Preacher:**

Rev. Joe Kariuki Kamau  
Trinity UMC; Gilgil, Kenya

**Sermon:** The Power of Patience

***Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. – Colossians 3:1-4***

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10:30 AM

<b>Prelude</b>	Morning Has Broken Let All Things Their Creator Bless Brother James' Air	Smith Fedak Wood
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## Welcome and Announcements

<b>Introit</b>	Simple Gifts	arr: Moore
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<b>Call to Worship</b>	Psalm 89:1-17
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Leader: I will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

**People: I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you have established your faithfulness in heaven itself.**

Leader: The heavens praise your wonders, LORD, your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones.

**People: For who in the skies above can compare with the LORD? Who is like the LORD among the heavenly beings?**

Leader: Who is like you, LORD God Almighty?

**People: You are mighty, and your faithfulness surrounds you. You rule over the surging sea.**

Leader: The heavens are yours, and yours also the earth; you founded the world and all that is in it.

**People: Your arm is endowed with power; your hand is strong, your right hand exalted.**

Leader: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.

**People: Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, LORD. They rejoice in your name all day long; they celebrate your righteousness. For you are their glory and strength.**

\* Hymn #425 (red)

What a Friend We Have in Jesus



- 2) In Christ alone who took on flesh,  
Fullness of God in helpless babe.  
This gift of love and righteousness,  
Scorned by the ones He came to save.  
'Til on that cross, as Jesus died,  
The wrath of God was satisfied;  
For every sin on Him was laid.  
Here in the death of Christ I live.
- 3) There in the ground His body lay,  
Light of the world by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day  
Up from the grave He rose again.  
And as He stands in victory  
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,  
For I am His and He is mine—  
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.
- 4) No guilt in life, no fear in death,  
This is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath,  
Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man,  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
'Til He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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**\* Song**

Forever

1. Give thanks to the Lord our God and King;  
His love endures forever.  
For He is good, He is above all things;  
His love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise.
2. With a mighty hand and outstretched arm;  
His love endures forever.  
For the life that's been reborn;  
His love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

*Chorus:*

*Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong,  
Forever God is with us, forever.  
Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong,  
Forever God is with us, forever, forever.*

3) From the rising, to the setting sun,  
His love endures forever.  
And by the grace of God, we will carry on,  
His love endures forever.  
Sing praise, sing praise. Sing praise, sing praise.

*Chorus:*

*Forever God is faithful, forever God is strong,  
Forever God is with us, forever.  
Forever You are faithful, forever You are strong,  
Forever You are with us, forever, forever.*

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**Scripture Reading**

James 5:7-12

**Sermon**

The Power of Patience

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Video Presentation**

I Have a Father Who Never Failed Me  
Trinity Girls School

\* **Hymn #225** (red)

Standing on the Promises

\* **Benediction**

\* **Closing Chorus**

**Postlude**

What a Friend We Have in Jesus  
Kenyan and US Pastors

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\* if comfortably able, please stand

## **SERVING IN WORSHIP**

**Accompanists:** Joan Loewen and Cole Cullen (cajon)

**Introit & Anthem:** Chanel Choir: Doug Garner, director

**Liturgist:** Annalise Haines

**Next Week:** Elaine Siddons

**Acolyte:** Alex and Lucas Garner

**Children's Chat:** Nick Smith

**Next Week:** Susan Ferguson

**Ushers:** Sue Garner (lead usher), Danny and Alex Garner,  
Maryann and Annalise Haines, Ryan Fultz

**Children's Church:** Rachel Cunningham, Hailee Weader

**Next Week:** Communion – no Jr. church

**Infants/Preschool:** Linda O'Dell and Nick Smith

**Next Week:** Betsy Harper and Danny Garner

**Deacon for the Month:** Ginny Westover

**Preaching:** Rev. Joe Kamau

**Counters:** Bill Sisson and Maryann Haines

**Next Week:** Lonnie Griffith and Ed Curry

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**WELCOME!** If you are visiting with us, please sign the Visitors' Register and pick up a Welcome Bag in the narthex. Children's activity bags, Bibles, large print hymnals and hearing devices are available from the ushers. Childcare through age four is available throughout the service. Welcome Rev. Joe Kamau!

**COMMUNITY VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:** The theme for VBS this year is "A Mighty Fortress" and the location will be the First Methodist Church. Lewistown Presbyterian is responsible for teaching the Bible stories each evening. If you love to share God's word with children, please let us know! We are also responsible for Monday's snack of Victory Trail Mix (recipe will be provided). If you can help with these or other VBS needs, please speak to Ginny Westover or contact the church office and let us know.

**CHURCH PICNIC:** Mark your calendars! The annual church picnic at Derry Township (Kish) Park is scheduled for Tuesday, July 11, 6:00 PM at the green pavilion!

**MEDICAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Krislund Camp and Conference center is in need of volunteers to provide a medical presence during their summer camping program. If you are or know of an RN, LPN, PA, doctor or EMT who could help, please contact the Camp at 814-422-8878 or click on the "volunteer" tab at [www.krislund.org](http://www.krislund.org). Medical volunteers are housed in the air-conditioned cabins with private bathrooms.

**BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG:** You can participate in Crossroads Pregnancy Center's fund-raiser by taking home a baby bottle "bank" and filling it with your loose change (or bills if you choose!) and then returning it on Father's Day, June 19.

**PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION:** Our preschool and nursery schools are accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 school year. Please encourage friends and family to consider our school. Also, let them know that the afternoon preschool class has moved one half hour earlier to accommodate parents who also have children in elementary schools.

**WEEK OF CARING** is slated for July 31 – August 4 from 9 AM – 3 PM each day. Both skilled and unskilled labor is needed as local churches work together to bless our neighbors. Scheduled projects include painting, deck construction, fencing and yard clean-up. You can register to help for any part of the week at [fumclewistown.org](http://fumclewistown.org).

**GUATEMALA MISSION TEAM:** A team of 19 members and friends of Lewistown Presbyterian will be heading to Newark Airport after worship on June 18 to fly to Antigua, Guatemala. While there, they will be hosted by Adventures in Mission at the Casa de Fuego Team House. Work will include assisting at a home for the elderly, a day of building with Habitat for Humanity, helping with Adventures in Mission's water filters and stoves project, leading Vacation Bible School and being a ministry of presence in the community. Please pray for Ali and Karen McCurdy, Lynn Curry, Annalise and Maryann Haines, Bradlee Ann and Regan Wagner, Olivia Smith, Ginny and Mercy Westover, Devon and Jim Thomas, Sue, Doug, Danny and Alex Garner, and Todd, Tracy and Trent Shade as they seek to serve the Lord in Antigua. The team will return on Saturday, June 24.

**PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES** have arrived! If you had your picture taken, you may pick up your copy of the directory in the narthex. They are arranged in alphabetical order for your convenience.

**MOTHER HUBBARD'S CUPBOARD:** The suggested donations for June are: macaroni, paper products, pancake mix, peanut butter, applesauce, cereal and canned/boxed juices.

**SMALL GROUP MINISTRY:** Many small group are available to encourage you in your faith:

- **Adult Sunday Morning Study** meets in the church parlor on Sundays at 9 and is studying He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart by Max Lucado. All are welcome to join this very meaningful study led by Pat Brown.
- **Youth Sunday Morning Study** is continuing to study the life of David and what it means to be a person after God's heart. They meet on the third floor at 9 AM. All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome!
- **Sunday Afternoon Study:** This Small group on the first Sunday of each month for ongoing learning and encouragement. They meet in the parlor following the worship service.
- **Wednesday Morning Group:** The Wednesday Morning Group that meets at 6:30 AM at the manse is beginning a new study by Ann Voskamp called The Broken Way.

**GIVING REPORT AS OF 5/21/17**

Weekly Need:	\$3,265.14	YTD Need:	\$68,568.44
Last Week:	\$2,156.75	YTD Received:	\$66,530.14



## **TODAY'S SCRIPTURE**

James 5:7-12

<sup>7</sup> Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains. <sup>8</sup> You too, be patient and stand firm, because the Lord's coming is near. <sup>9</sup> Don't grumble against one another, brothers and sisters, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!

<sup>10</sup> Brothers and sisters, as an example of patience in the face of suffering, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

<sup>11</sup> As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

<sup>12</sup> Above all, my brothers and sisters, do not swear—not by heaven or by earth or by anything else. All you need to say is a simple "Yes" or "No." Otherwise you will be condemned.

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### **Sermon Notes:**

## **CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES**

May 28 – June 4, 2017

### **TODAY, May 28**

- 9:00 AM Adult Study Group - parlor
- 9:00 AM Youth Study Group – third floor
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Community Luncheon
- 6:00 PM Youth Group

### **MONDAY, May 29**

**Memorial Day – Office Closed**

### **TUESDAY, May 30**

- 4:00 PM Backyard Club at Woodlawn
- 7:00 PM Mt. Rock Cemetery Board Meeting

### **WEDNESDAY, May 31**

- 6:30 AM Small Group Study at the manse

### **SATURDAY, June 3**

- 3:00 PM Wedding: Derek Warke and Katy Kodish

### **SUNDAY, June 4 - Pentecost**

- 9:00 AM Adult Study Group – parlor
- 9:00 AM Teen Study Group – third floor
- 10:30 AM Worship Service (Communion)
- 11:30 AM Small Group - parlor
- 6:00 PM Youth Group

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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.