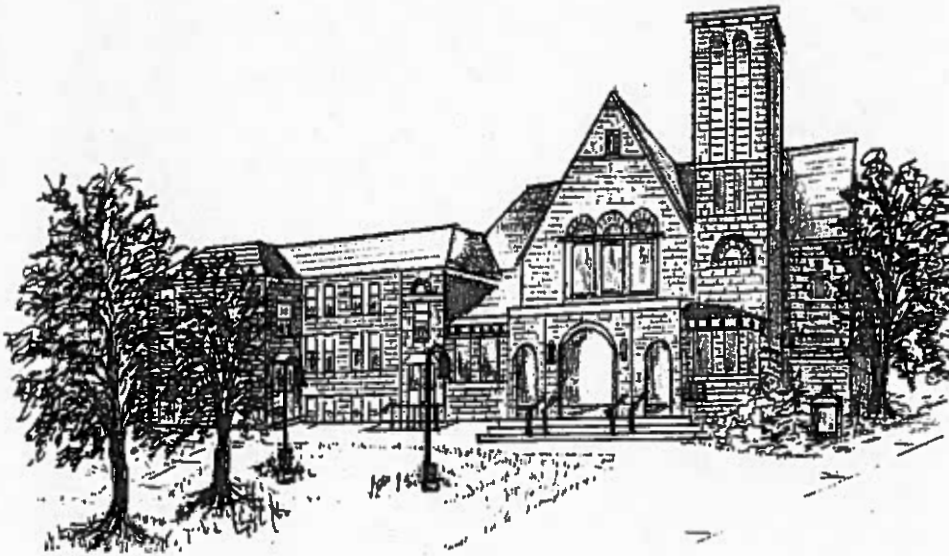




## Latrobe Presbyterian Church

428 Main Street  
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*Eternal God, neither death nor life can separate us from your love.  
Grant that we may serve you faithfully here on earth,  
and in heaven rejoice with all your saints who ceaselessly  
proclaim your glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## ASCENSION SUNDAY

May 21, 2023

11:00 am

### GATHERING

*Prayer Request Cards (blue) are inside the Pew Card Holder.*

*The ushers will collect the request cards before the Prelude.*

*The **bold print** invites the people to read aloud and/or sing.*

*Please sign the **register** in the pew pads*

BELL INTROIT

A Joyful Ring

Barbara Kinyon

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Derek Campbell

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

*2 Thess. 3:18*

PRELUDE

Jesus Shall Reign  
The Belle Ringers

Arnold Sherman

SENTENCES OF SCRIPTURE

Matt Stein, Lector

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

....one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

*An asterisk \*invites the people to stand.*

**\*HYMN 260 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, or acknowledged his rule in our lives. We have gone along with the ways of the world, and failed to give him glory. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church, his body.**

*(Silent Confession)*

**\*ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORY BE TO THE FATHER – HYMNAL 581**

**\*THE PEACE**

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.  
**And also with you.**

*(Greet one another with the words, "The peace of Christ be with you.")*

# 260 Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; his the scep - ter, his the  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans are we left in sor - row  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of an - gels, here on earth our food, our  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om - nip - o - tent we



throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the tri - umph, his the vic - to -  
 now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is near us; faith be - lieves nor  
 stay; Al - le - lu - ia! here the sin - ful flee to you from  
 own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of Mar - y, earth your foot - stool,



ry a - lone! Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on  
 ques - tions how. Though the cloud from sight re - ceived him,  
 day to day. In - ter - ces - sor, friend of sin - ners,  
 heaven your throne. As with - in the veil you en - tered,



The author regarded this text as a communion hymn, a theme that seems eclipsed by the attention to Christ's exaltation, but a helpful reminder that such hymns are not always quiet and meek. This text is sung to various tunes, but this rousing Welsh one is a favorite choice.

CHILDREN'S TIME

**THE WORD**

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

... through the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 55:8-13

Lector

The Word of the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 47

Lector

Hal H. Hopson

Sing out your praise — to  
God, — to the king sing out your praise.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 2:8-20

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

GOSPEL READING

Luke 24:50-55

The Gospel of the Lord.  
Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“Praise God with Joy”

Rev. Derek Campbell

**RESPONSE TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN 270 O Lord, You Are My God and King**

RECOGNITION OF GRADUATES AND SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

...Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

**I do**

Who is your Lord and Savior?

**Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior**

Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his word and showing his love?

**I will, with God's help. ...**

# O Lord, You Are My God and King 270

(Psalm 145)



1 O Lord, you are my God and King, and I will  
 2 How rich in grace are you, O Lord, full of com-  
 3 Your works will give you thanks, O Lord; your saints your



ev - er bless your name; I will ex - tol you ev - ery day, and  
 pas - sion, mer - ci - ful, your an - ger al - ways slow to rise; your  
 might-y acts will show, till all the peo - ples of the earth your



ev - er - more your praise pro - claim. You, Lord, are great - ly  
 stead - fast love you show to all, for you are good in  
 king - dom, pow - er, glo - ry know. E - ter - nal is your



to be praised; your great-ness is be - yond our thought; all  
 all your ways; your crea - tures know your con - stant care. To  
 king - dom, Lord, for - ev - er strong, for - ev - er sure; while



gen - er - a - tions shall tell forth the might-y won - ders you have wrought.  
 all your works your love ex - tends; all souls your ten - der mer - cies share.  
 gen - er - a - tions rise and die, your high do - min - ion will en - dure.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

Although this paraphrase of Psalm 145 is abbreviated (the original psalm has a verse for each letter of the Hebrew alphabet), it maintains the tone of praise that characterizes the final six psalms. In fact, the whole book takes its Hebrew name, *Tehillim* (praises), from them.

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (Apostle's Creed) *(Traditional-page 35 before Hymn #1)*  
I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

....and so with the confidence of the children of God, let us pray.

**LORD'S PRAYER** *(Traditional, Page 35-before Hymn #1)*

**OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

In Thee is Gladness  
Chancel Choir

Carl Schalk

In thee is gladness amid all sadness, Jesus, sunshine of my heart. By thee are given the gifts of heaven, thou the true redeemer art. Our souls thou wakest; our bonds thou breakest. Who trust thee surely has build securely and stands for ever: Alleluia! Our hearts are pining to see thy shining, dying or living, to thee are cleaving; naught can us sever: Alleluia! If he is ours, we fear no powers, not of sin or death. He sees and blesses, he can change, can change them with a breath. Wherefore the story, tell of his glory with heart and voices; all heaven rejoices in him forever: Alleluia! We shout for gladness, triumph over sadness, love him and praise him and still shall raise him glad hymns for ever: Alleluia!

**\*DOXOLOGY – HYMNAL 609**

*(Please remain standing)*

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

**SENDING**

**\*HYMN 80 (2 times) You Shall Go Out with Joy**

**\*CHARGE AND BLESSING**

**\*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE - HYMNAL 568**

**POSTLUDE**

Pomp and Circumstance

Sir Edward Elgar

# You Shall Go Out with Joy 80

## The Trees of the Field

Em B7 Em B7 Em

You shall go out with joy and be led forth with peace;

G C G D

the moun-tains and the hills will break forth be -

B N.C. Em B7 Em

fore you; there'll be shouts of joy, and all the

B7 Em B7 Em B7 Em

trees of the field will clap, will clap their hands.

D7 N.C. G C G D

And all the trees of the field will clap their hands;

D7 G D7 G

the trees of the field will clap their hands;

C G D

the trees of the field will clap their hands

B7 Em B7 Em

while you go out with joy.

\*Clap hands.

This text paraphrases Isaiah 55:12, which is generally understood to describe a "second exodus," this time from Babylon rather than from Egypt. This release of God's people and their return to their own land gives rise to a joyful celebration involving all creation.

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USHERS serving you this morning are members of:  
**Team IV – Emily Sweeney and JJ Sweeney, Co-Captains,  
Brèanna Carini, Fletcher, Harvey, Jordan McCracken, Maya  
McCracken and Daniel Sweeney.**

The flowers this morning are in honor of  
**Our Sunday School Teachers  
Our Graduates**

Serving as Greeter this morning are **Elder Scott McNerny and Deacon  
Tessie Gleckl.**

Every Sunday after worship we gather at the back of the Sanctuary for  
fellowship and light refreshments. We especially welcome visitors and guests  
to join with us. Our hosts for this week are members of the **Deacons.**

Today we will take our **Two-Cents-A-Meal** collection. This collection is in  
support of hunger programs.

The Annual **Graduate Celebration** will be held following the Worship  
service today. All are welcome. Please greet and encourage our graduates as  
they embark on the next phase of their life's journey.

The **New Member Class** will be held today at 2:30 pm in the Oliver Room  
outside the Vogelsang Room downstairs.

Evangelism and Membership's **Supper Club** will be Wednesday, May 24  
at Rizzo's Malabar Inn of Crabtree beginning at 6:00 pm. Please sign the  
sheet on the back table to ensure enough seating. This is the last Supper Club  
before the summer recess.

Next Sunday is **Pentecost**. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit  
upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ. Red is the liturgical  
color for that Sunday. You are **encouraged to wear red** in celebration.



If you have anyone you would like listed on the Prayer List and sent through the **Prayer Chain**, please contact the Office or Linda Tito at [sewsimple60@gmail.com](mailto:sewsimple60@gmail.com). If you would like to receive Prayer Chain e-mails also please contact Linda or the Office.

**When you or a loved one is hospitalized**, please be sure to have someone notify the church office. It is important that when you or a family member is admitted to the hospital you identify yourself as a member of LPC – that way the hospital is able to notify us so we may make a visitation.

Any time **pastoral care** is needed you may contact Pastor Derek on his cell phone at 724-212-6094.

June 4, Trinity Sunday, will be the first **summer worship** at Unity Chapel. Service will begin at 8:30 am.

#### **MEETINGS AND EVENTS**

**Sunday**                                 **5/21**  
2:30 pm ..... New Member Class

**Tuesday**                              **5/23**  
6:00 pm ..... Presbytery – Ebensburg Presbyterian Church

**Sunday**                              **5/28     Pentecost**  
11:00 am .....Worship Service with Communion  
2:30 pm ..... New Member Class