



LEWISTOWN CHURCH
Presbyterian

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

October 1, 2017

World Communion Sunday

Series: Strengthening Our Souls

Week Four: Soul Strength Through Sacrament

Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; for this is my blood of the covenant which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom." Matthew 26:26-29

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10:30 AM

Prelude

Ricercarta
Immortal, Invisible

Trabacci
Smith

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

A Hymn of Joy We Sing

Schumann

Call to Worship

Colossians 1:11-23

Leader: May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from God's glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

People: He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Leader: In him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him.

People: And through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Leader: And you who were once estranged and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his fleshly body through death, so as to present you holy and blameless and irreproachable before him—provided that you continue securely established and steadfast in the faith, without shifting from the hope promised by the gospel that you heard.

* **Hymn #260** (red)

Just As I Am

* **Affirmation of Faith**

Nicene Creed

Leader: What do you believe about God?

People: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

Leader: What do you believe about Jesus Christ?

People: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

Leader: What do you believe about the Holy Spirit?

People: We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

Leader: What do you believe about the Church?

People: We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

* **Song of Response #575** (red)

Glory Be to the Father

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Do You Thirst?

M Shepperd

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Tallis' Ordinal

Eliot

* Doxology #592 (blue)

* Prayer of Dedication

* Song

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

1. How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.
2. Behold the Man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there,
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life—
I know that it is finished.
3. I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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Scripture Reading

Sermon

Soul Strength through Sacrament

* Song

The Power of Your Love

1. Lord I come to you, let my heart be changed, renewed;
Flowing from the grace that I've found in you.
And Lord I've come to know,
The weaknesses I see in me,
Will be stripped away, by the power of your love.

Chorus:

*Hold me close, let your love surround me;
Bring me near; draw me to your side.
And as I wait I'll rise up like the eagle,
And I will soar with you,
Your spirit leads me on, in the power of your love.*

2. Lord unveil my eyes, let me see you face to face;
The knowledge of your love, as you live -- in me.
And Lord renew my mind, as Your will unfolds in my life;
In living every day, by the power of your love.

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Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table
Communion Prayer
Distribution of the Bread
Words of Institution
Distribution of the Cup

* **Lord's Prayer**

Traditional

**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; and
lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the
glory, forever. Amen.**

* **Hymn #417** (red)

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Chorus**

What a Fellowship... (chorus)

*Leaning, leaning, Safe and secure from all alarms.
Leaning, leaning, Leaning on the everlasting arms.*

Postlude

Magnificat

Hill

**If comfortably able please stand*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Introit & Anthem: Chancel Choir; Doug Garner, director

Liturgist: Sue Garner

Next Week: Ginny Westover

Acolyte: Landon Cunningham

Children's Sermon: Pastor Jim Thomas

Next Week: Devon Thomas

Ushers: Dave Noss (lead usher), Jean Burlew, Gwen Knudson,
Violet Miller, Leah Riden, Patricia Snyder

Children's Church: Communion – No Jr. church

Next week: Elaine Siddons

Infants/Preschool: Leah Riden and Olivia Smith

Next week: Diane Griffith and Alex Garner

Deacon for the Month: Carol Zorn

Counters: Lonnie Griffith and Ed Curry

Next Week: Lisa Snyder and Ginny Westover

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. Children's church is available for children age 5 – grade 4 following the children's sermon on Sundays without the Lord's Supper.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS today are given in honor of Paul Olbrich's birthday today, October 1, by his loving wife, Thyry.

CLOTHING BOXES AND WRAPPING PAPER NEEDED: We are looking ahead to the Community Christmas Project this year when there will be many items to wrap. We are very much in need of boxes and wrapping paper. Please bring these into the church before October 15 so we can prepare. Thank you.

FALL FAMILY FUN! Countless studies have shown that faith development occurs best in family settings. As the family of God at Lewistown Presbyterian, we seek to help parents in their task of teaching children about God and to put their trust in Jesus Christ. To this end, the Christian Education Committee is planning a number of seasonal events to teach key elements of our faith. The first event showcases God's creativity as Master-maker as we consider the beauty of Autumn. However, we also acknowledge that every day of the year displays God's greatest masterpieces – us! Ephesians 2:10 says "*we are God's handiwork created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.*" At Makerfest, we will tap into the creativity of God's image in us and invent, design and construct all kinds of creations, from toys to our own snack. All along the way, we will learn more of what it means to be God's workmanship. Invite a friend and join the fun on **Saturday, October 7 at 8:45 AM – 11:45 AM.**

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

- **Adult Sunday Morning Study** led by Pat Brown meets in the church parlor on Sundays at 9 AM. We will be studying "Ten Women of the Bible – One by One They Changed the World" by Jenna Lucado Bishop from the writings of Max Lucado.
- **Youth Sunday Morning Study:** All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome! The group meets on the third floor at 9 AM.
- **Sunday Afternoon Study:** This Small group meets on the first Sunday of each month for growth and encouragement. They meet in the parlor following the worship service.
- **Tuesday Evening Group** meets at the home of Jim and Kris Hill at 6:00 PM. They are currently studying, *Ignite Your Passion for God: A 6-Week, No-Homework Bible Study* by Kay Arthur and Mark Shel Drake.
- **Wednesday Morning Group:** This group, which meets at 6:30 AM on Wednesday is studying, Emotionally Healthy Spirituality by Peter Scazzero. Pastor Jim leads this study.
- **Sunday Evening Group:** This group meets at the manse from 6-7 PM on Sundays.

HURRICANE RELIEF: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is on the ground in Texas, Louisiana, Florida, and the Caribbean assessing need and providing relief. You can help by sending funds directly through pda.pcusa.org or through the special offering envelopes in the pews or by marking your offering PDA Hurricane Relief.

YOUTH GROUP: Our youth are active in fellowship, study, and service. All youth in grades 6-12 are encouraged to attend these great opportunities:

- Small group study each Sunday morning at 9 AM on the third floor. We are beginning a five-week study called, "God's Call." Come join us!
- Youth Group – 6 PM Sunday evenings on the third floor.

LUMINA CARDS are now available. They can be used for discounts at many local restaurants. Cards are \$10 each and help support the LUMINA Center. Please see Susan Ferguson for more information.

GIVING REPORT AS OF 9/24/17

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| Weekly Need: | \$ 3,265.14 | YTD Need: | \$ 126,585.78 |
| Last Week: | \$ 2,186.00 | YTD Received: | \$ 125,799.21 |

PRAYER GUIDE

October 1, 2017

"Prayer is the acid test of devotion."

Samuel Chadwick

Pray for our Community, Nation and World

Our Community

- Those struggling with addictions, and their loved ones
- Marriages and other relationships in crisis
- Solutions to the local opioid epidemic

The World

- Those impacted by the earthquakes in Mexico
- Those impacted by Hurricane Maria
- Those impacted by Hurricane Jose
- Those impacted by Hurricane Irma
- Those impacted by Hurricane Harvey
- Those impacted by the wildfires in the US Northwest
- All who are providing help in crisis situations
- Those impacted by the floods in India, Bangladesh and Nepal which have killed over 1200 people

Those who Grieve

- The family & friends of Mike Ryan who died September 13
- The family & friends of Burney Runkle who died Sept. 15

Pray for our Church:

Our People and Ministries

- For visitors to join us and to find a spiritual home here
- For those who have gotten out of the habit of regular attendance: that they would return
- Our ongoing Natural Church Development process

Those Battling Cancer

- Levi Foltz: 2-year-old with a tumor
- Joyce Nicholas: liver and lung cancer
- Barbara Stahl: home after recent lung cancer surgery
- Matt Ellis: that his 2nd marrow transplant is not rejected
- Brad Siddons: continued health
- Gina Eargle: undergoing treatments
- Alex Pierce: 17-year-old who had tumor in chest
- Neil Knable
- Jim Marthouse: ongoing recovery from stem cell transplant
- Bob Goodwin: leukemia
- Harold Miller: cancerous tumor
- The Nagel family: dealing with cancer in their children
- Jennifer Elder: young mother battling a brain tumor

Other Health Concerns

- Keri Corkery: young woman who had a stroke
- Gerri Aitkin: recovering at home after hip replacement
- Phil Torbert: recent surgery for heart valve infection
- Rev. Zorn: recovering at home
- Rev J. Andrew Curtiss: improving after very serious illness
- Shannon Lower: received a double lung transplant,
- Naomi DeBello: 14-year-old with congenital heart issues
- Rich Harper: recently began new MS treatment
- Mary Barger: strength & courage following a stroke
- Shirley Ferguson: chronic pain and limited mobility

Those in Care Facilities

- Valley View: Mary Lou Ingram, Jack Irrgang
- Ohesson: Etta Majestic, Mary Barger
- Shirley Home (Shirleysburg): Carl Knepp
- Hearthside (State College): Mary McClellan
- Berry's (Oakland Mills): Doris Hoverter

Those in the Military

- 01/LT Allison (Harklerode) Conforte: Naval Medical Center, Portsmouth, VA
- BM3 Tyler M. Earnest: USS IWO JIMA LHD7, Unit 100318 Box 1 AA 34094
- SPC Ian Shelly: attending Millersville University
- SSG Christopher Griffith: 3035A Richards Court, Fort Meade, MD 20755
- SFC William Corson: 17836 Upland Dr SE, Yelm, WA 98597
- SSG John Dietz: PSC 560 Box 481, APO, AP 96376
- SGT Tyler Treaster: 7294 Puckett Dr, Neroes Manor, Camp Lejeune, NC 28547

Our Mission Partners

- Leah and Francis Daytec in the Philippines
- Shelter Services as they continue to provide an invaluable resource for our community and are in need of volunteers
- Backyard Ministries
- Adventures in Mission and BuildinGuate and their building program, medical center and school at the local dump near Antigua, Guatemala
- Veraso family settling into a new home and beginning new ministries in West Philadelphia

Our Families of the Week

- Jordan Helsel-Miles
- Dan and Cathy McClenahen

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 11:23-33

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

²⁷ So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. ²⁸ Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. ²⁹ For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves. ³⁰ That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. ³¹ But if we were more discerning with regard to ourselves, we would not come under such judgment. ³² Nevertheless, when we are judged in this way by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be finally condemned with the world.

³³ So then, my brothers and sisters, when you gather to eat, you should all eat together. ³⁴ Anyone who is hungry should eat something at home, so that when you meet together it may not result in judgment. And when I come I will give further directions.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

October 1 – October 8, 2017

TODAY, October 1 World Communion Sunday

- 9:00 AM Adult Study Group – Parlor
- 9:00 AM Youth Study Group – Youth Room
- 9:15 AM Children’s Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Adult Study Group - Parlor
- 6:00 PM Youth Group
- 6:00 PM Small Group Study at the manse

MONDAY, October 2

- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry
- 6:00 PM Joy Seekers
- 7:00 PM Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, October 3

- 9:00 AM Presbytery Minute Review – Baraca Room
- 6:00 PM Small Group @ Jim & Kris Hill’s home

WEDNESDAY, October 4

- 6:30 AM Small Group Study at the manse
- 11:30 PM Senior Ladies @ Honey Creek Inn
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 5

- 6:00 PM Deacons’ Meeting
- 7:00 PM Committee Night

SATURDAY, October 7

- 8:45 AM- **Family Fall Festival**
- 11:45 AM

SUNDAY, October 8

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