



LEWISTOWN

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

October 8, 2017

Series: Strengthening Our Souls

Week Five: Soul Strength through Worship

"To worship is to quicken the conscience by the holiness of God, to feed the mind with the truth of God, to purge the imagination by the beauty of God, to open the heart to the love of God, to devote the will to the purpose of God." ~ William Temple

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10:30 AM

Prelude	Sarabande and Variations Festival Toccata	Steenwick Koury
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Welcome and Announcements

Introit	O Come, Let us Sing Unto the Lord	Moore
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Call to Worship	1 Chronicles 16:8-34 (selected)
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Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, call on his name, make known his deeds among the peoples.

People: Sing to him, sing praises to him, tell of all his wonderful works.

Leader: Let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice. Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his presence continually.

People: Sing to the LORD, all the earth. Tell of his salvation from day to day.

Leader: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples.

People: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; he is to be revered above all gods. For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

People: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering, and come before him.

Leader: Worship the LORD in holy splendor; tremble before him, all the earth.

People: Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice, and let them say among the nations, "The LORD is king!"

Leader: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it. Then shall the trees of the forest sing for joy before the LORD.

People: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever.

* **Hymn #461** (blue)

God is Here!

* **Greeting of Peace**

* **Song**

Above All

Above all powers, above all kings,
Above all nature and all created things;
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man,
You were here before the worlds began.

Above all kingdoms, above all thrones,
Above all wonders the world has ever known;
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth,
There's no way to measure what you're worth.

Crucified, laid behind the stone;
You lived to die, rejected and alone;
Like a rose, trampled on the ground,
You took the fall, but now you're raised above all.

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Unison Prayer of Confession

Dear Lord, you are Almighty God, the Creator of the Universe, and the King of the World. You are infinite. Yet, in your mercy you care for us who are finite. You are strong and yet you comfort the weak. You are complete in yourself and yet you seek relationship with us. As we recognize your greatness, we acknowledge our weakness, and we realize our need for forgiveness. We have sinned against you, against others, and against ourselves. We have not followed you with our whole hearts, nor loved our neighbors as ourselves. We try to prove our own worth and fail to admit our weakness. We pretend to be better than we are. We are not generous with our hearts, our money, or our time and choose to focus on ourselves. We neglect the needs of others and the work of your kingdom. Forgive us, we pray.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Fresh Winds of the Spirit

Davenport

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory O Word of God Incarnate

Limbaugh

* Doxology #592 (blue)

* Prayer of Dedication

*** Song**

Wonderful Merciful Savior

1. Wonderful, merciful Savior,
Precious Redeemer and Friend;
Who would have thought that a lamb could
Rescue the souls of men;
O, you rescue the souls of men.
2. Counselor, Comforter, Keeper,
Spirit we long to embrace;
You offer hope when our hearts have
Hopelessly lost our way;
O, we've hopelessly lost our way.

*Chorus: You are the One that we praise.
You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our
Hearts always hunger for,
O, our hearts always hunger for.*

3. Almighty, infinite Father,
Faithfully loving your own.
Here in our weakness you find us
Falling before your throne;
O, we're falling before your throne.

(repeat chorus)

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*** Song**

White as Snow

White as snow, white as snow;
Though my sins were as scarlet, Lord, I know;
Lord, I know; that I'm clean and forgiven.
Through the power of Your blood,
Through the wonder of Your love,
Through faith in you I know that I can be...
White as snow.

(repeat all)

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Scripture Reading

Psalm 149:1-11
Hebrews 10:11-25

Sermon

Soul Strength through Worship

Pastoral Prayer

* **Hymn #383** (blue)

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Chorus**

Seek Ye First

*Seek ye first the kingdom of God
And his righteousness;
And all these things shall be added unto you.
Allelu, alleluia!*

Postlude

This is My Father's World

Thompson

**If comfortably able please stand*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Introit & Anthem: Chancel Choir; Doug Garner, director

Liturgist: Ginny Westover

Next Week: Leah Riden

Acolyte: Landon Cunningham

Children's Sermon: Devon Thomas

Next Week: Maryann Haines

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

Children's Church: Elaine Siddons

Next week: Annalise Haines

Infants/Preschool: Diane Griffith and Alex Garner

Next week: Susan Mowery and Riley Cullen

Deacon for the Month: Carol Zorn

Counters: Lisa Snyder and Ginny Westover

Next Week: Pat Brown and Kari Cullen

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 loving memory of Amy Eichenlaub Snyder by her parents, Dr. and Mrs. David Eichenlaub and Dave and Kristen Eichenlaub.

DONATIONS OF SMARTIES CANDIES are needed for Safe Trick or Treat Night. Please drop off donations at the church by October 22.

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.

500th ANNIVERSARY OF THE REFORMATION: On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses to the door of the cathedral at Wittenburg, thus sparking the Protestant Reformation. A number of services have been planned in recognition of this historic event:

- **Service of Christian Unity:** This service, planned by our local Roman Catholic and Lutheran churches will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday, October 31, 2017, at Sacred Heart Church, 106 N. Dorcas Street, Lewistown. This service will emphasize our common unity in Jesus Christ, and end with a candlelight ceremony. Sacred Heart's pastor, Rev. William M. Weary will preach as will St. John's Lutheran's ne pastor, Rev. Jerri Carlin. Refreshments will follow in the Sacred Heart school cafeteria.
- **Reformation Recital:** This yearly music recital which features various types of music, both instrumental and vocal will be held at 3PM on Sunday, October 29 at St. John Lutheran Church, 120 N. Main St., Lewistown. It will be followed by a light supper in St. John's church hall

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 November 12 so we can prepare. Thank you.

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.

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 Sheldrake.
- **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.

LUMINA CARDS are now available. The cards 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 10/1/17

Weekly Need:	\$ 3,265.14	YTD Need:	\$ 129,850.92
Last Week:	\$ 5,833.00	YTD Received:	\$ 131,632.21

TODAY'S SCRIPTURES

Psalm 149:1-11 and Hebrew 10:11-25

Psalm 149:1-11 ¹ Praise the LORD. Sing to the LORD a new song, his praise in the assembly of his faithful people. ² Let Israel rejoice in their Maker; let the people of Zion be glad in their King. ³ Let them praise his name with dancing and make music to him with timbrel and harp. ⁴ For the LORD takes delight in his people; he crowns the humble with victory. ⁵ Let his faithful people rejoice in this honor and sing for joy on their beds. ⁶ May the praise of God be in their mouths and a double-edged sword in their hands, ⁷ to inflict vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples, ⁸ to bind their kings with fetters, their nobles with shackles of iron, ⁹ to carry out the sentence written against them—this is the glory of all his faithful people.

Hebrews 10:11-25 ¹¹ Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. ¹² But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, ¹³ and since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool. ¹⁴ For by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

¹⁵ The Holy Spirit also testifies to us about this. First he says:

¹⁶ "This is the covenant I will make with them: after that time, says the Lord: I will put my laws in their hearts, and I will write them on their minds." ¹⁷ Then he adds: "Their sins and lawless acts I will remember no more." ¹⁸ And where these have been forgiven, sacrifice for sin is no longer necessary.

¹⁹ Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unwaveringly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

October 8 – October 15, 2017

TODAY, October 8

- 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
- 6:00 PM Youth Group
- 6:00 PM Small Group Study at the manse

MONDAY, October 9

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

TUESDAY, October 10

- 6:00 PM Small Group @ Jim & Kris Hill’s home

WEDNESDAY, October 11

- 6:30 AM Small Group Study at the manse
- 6:00 PM Adult Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 12

- 2:30 PM Church Health Team
- 7:00 PM Session

SUNDAY, October 15 Deacons’ Offering

- 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
- 6:00 PM Youth Group
- 6:00 PM Small Group Study at the manse

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.