



LEWISTOWN

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

May 20, 2018

Pentecost Sunday

Sermon: Not to Worry

Guest Preacher: Phil Loewen

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." – John 14:27

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10:30 AM

Prelude Come Holy Ghost, Our Hearts Inspire Broughton
This is My Father's World Bish

Welcome and Announcements

Introit Eternal Father, Strong to Save

Call to Worship

Psalm 84

Leader: How lovely is your dwelling place, LORD Almighty!
My soul yearns, even faints, for the courts of the
LORD;

**People: My heart and my flesh cry out for the living
God.**

Leader: Even the sparrow has found a home, and the
swallow a nest for herself, where she may have
her young—a place near your altar, LORD
Almighty, my King and my God.

**People: Blessed are those who dwell in your
house; they are ever praising you. Blessed
are those whose strength is in you... they go
from strength to strength, till each appears
before God in Zion.**

Leader: Hear my prayer, LORD God Almighty; listen to me,
God of Jacob. Look on our shield, O God; look
with favor on your anointed one.

**People: Better is one day in your courts than a
thousand elsewhere; I would rather be a
doorkeeper in the house of my God than
dwell in the tents of the wicked.**

Leader: For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD
bestows favor and honor; no good thing does he
withhold from those whose walk is blameless.

**People: LORD Almighty, blessed is the one who trusts
in you.**

* Hymn #420 (blue)

God of Grace and God of Glory

Children's Sermon

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of Grace and Glory, you have called us to follow you and to serve you with our whole lives, but we have not done so. We confess that we are sinners who often ignore you and continue to hurt you, others and ourselves. We put our trust in the wrong things, thinking that we know what we need and how best to take care of ourselves. We damage relationships because we are frightened, angry, or jealous. Although we presume upon your forgiveness and expect to be forgiven by others, we often fail to truly forgive when we are offended.

We are sorry, please forgive us. Help us to turn away from our own selfish desires and to give ourselves more wholly to you. Through your indwelling Spirit, give us the courage and grace to love you with our whole heart, soul, mind, and strength and to love others in your name and by your strength.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Anthem

Glory to God on High

R Manookin

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Now Thank We All Our God

Kaufmann

* Doxology #592 (blue hymnal)

* Prayer of Dedication

* Song

As the Deer

1. As the deer panteth for the water,
So my soul longeth after You.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship You.

Chorus:

*You alone are my strength, my shield;
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship You.*

2. You're my friend and You are my brother,
Even though You are a king.
And I love You more than any other,
So much more than anything.

Chorus:

*You alone are my strength, my shield;
To You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire,
And I long to worship You.*

3. I want You more than gold or silver,
Only You can satisfy.
You alone are the real joy giver,
And the apple of my eye.

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*** Song**

In Christ Alone

1. In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my Light my strength my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace;
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my all in all,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.
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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Scripture Readings

Psalm 62:5-8
John 14:1-14

Sermon

Not to Worry

Pastoral Prayer

* **Hymn #126** (blue) Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Chorus #322** Spirit of the Living God

*Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.*

Postlude

Recessional

Corelli

**If comfortably able please stand*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Introit: Adult Bell Choir; Doug Garner, Director

Liturgist: Sue Garner **Next Week:** Bill Sisson

Acolyte: Abigail Siddons

Children's Chat: Annalise Haines

Next Week: Ginny Westover

Children's Church: Annalise Haines

Next week: Ginny Westover

Anthem: Chancel Choir; Doug Garner, Director

Ushers: Karen McCurdy (lead usher), Brad Siddons, Maryann and Annalise Haines, Kevin and Machele Kodish

Preaching: Phil Loewen

Next Week: Pastor James Thomas

Infants/Preschool: Diane Griffith and Riley Cullen

Next week: Zoe Finan and Jimmy Zagurskie

Deacon for the Month: Mercy Westover

Counters: Dave Noss and Dale Henry

Next Week: Bill Sisson 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. **Welcome, guest speaker, Phil Loewen!**

GRADUATE SUNDAY is JUNE 10, when we will honor all of our graduates for their hard work and achievements! If you know of someone that is graduating, please call the church office (248-4561) so we can include them in the service.

ATTENTION PRESCHOOL PEN PALS: Each year every preschool graduate receives a Bible signed by their pen pal. The Bibles are available on the front pew, alphabetized according to last names. Please write your name and favorite Bible verse inside the front cover. Feel free to include a note. Then return to the church office by May 22. Thank you!

PRESCHOOL GRADUATION: Our preschool classes will be celebrating their graduations on Thursday, May 24 for the morning class, and Friday, May 25 for the afternoon class, each at 7:00 PM. These graduation services demonstrate much of the good work that is done in our school. You are encouraged to witness the energy and excitement of the graduates and to encourage their parents and families by attending one or both of these services.

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 return it on Father's Day, June 17.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

- **Youth Group:** Youth group for youth in grades 6-12 is held every Sunday evening from 6-7:30 PM on the third floor of the church. All are encouraged to attend – and to bring their friends for fun, food, fellowship and most importantly, growth in relationship to God.
- **Adult Sunday Morning Study** led by Pat Brown meets in the church parlor on Sundays at 9 AM. The study is Ten Women of the Bible by Max Lucado.
- **Tuesday Evening Group** meets on the third floor of the church at 6:30 PM. The study is "Prayer; Does it Make Any Difference?" by Philip Yancey. All are welcome!
- **Wednesday Morning Group** meets at the manse at 6:30 AM. A Clash of Kingdoms, by Ray Vander Laan, is part of the very popular "That the World May Know" series in which Vander Laan guides participants to a deeper understanding of the context of scripture to allow them to apply it more faithfully to their own lives. The group will not meet this Wednesday, but will resume on May 30.
- **Sunday Evening Group** meets from 6:00 – 7:15 PM at the manse. Address the Mess, by Andy Stanley which will help participants be honest about the challenging aspects of their lives. *However, due to messy and busy schedules, the group is on hiatus until June.*

DEACONS' OFFERING: The loose offering in the collection plate TODAY is designated to the Deacons' Fund.

SOUND BOARD OPERATOR NEEDED: We are in need of an assistant/substitute sound board operator for when John Gregory is unavailable. Please let him know if you can help.

NURSERY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Minister to our youngest set (and their parents!) by offering about an hour of your time during the worship service on a given Sunday morning. Clearances and a cheerful heart required. Please contact any member of the Christian Ed Committee to join the nursery rotation. Committee members are: Leah Riden, Elaine Siddons, Susan Ferguson, Miranda Shoop and Ginny Westover. Clearances can be obtained through the church office. Thank you to those who have already responded!

THE LUMINA CENTER is seeking an enthusiastic, qualified candidate for the position of Program Director. He/she must desire to assist children and youth in succeeding. He/she will be expected to work closely with the Director, staff, board members, children and their families. He/she will be responsible for coordinating events, improving existing activities and developing new programs. He/she would be expected to adhere to the mission statement of the LUMINA Center as follows: LUMINA is a Community Center which offers the light of faith, hope and love "to" "for" and "with" the children, youth and families of Mifflin County in the name of Christ. Applications are available on the LUMINA Center's website or the LUMINA Center office. **For more information, please contact Debbie Wilt at 717-242-2888. Website: www.luminacenter.org**

LEWISTOWN PRESBYTERIAN STAFF:

Pastor: James Thomas

Visitation Pastor: Robert Zorn

Christian Education Director: Ginny Westover

Choir Director: Doug Garner

Organist/Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Youth Choir Director: Leah Riden

Administrative Assistant: Deb Yetter

Financial Secretary: Susan Ferguson

Preschool Teachers: Sherri Powell & Ginny Westover

Custodian: Kathy Hardin

Sexton/Security: John Gregory

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Psalm 62:5-8

62:5 Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him. **6** Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken. **7** My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge. **8** Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

John 14:1-14

14:1 "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. **2** My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? **3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. **4** You know the way to the place where I am going." **5** Thomas said to him, "Lord, we don't know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" **6** Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. **7** If you really know me, you will know my Father as well. From now on, you do know him and have seen him." **8** Philip said, "Lord, show us the Father and that will be enough for us." **9** Jesus answered: "Don't you know me, Philip, even after I have been among you such a long time? Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'?" **10** Don't you believe that I am in the Father, and that the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak on my own authority. Rather, it is the Father, living in me, who is doing his work. **11** Believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; or at least believe on the evidence of the works themselves. **12** Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father. **13** And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. **14** You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

PRAYER GUIDE

May 20, 2018

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth.

~1 Timothy 2:2

How to Be Involved in Prayer

- Use the prayer cards in the pew racks to let us know how we can pray for you or for someone you know
- You can e-mail requests to lewispres@comcast.net
- Join the prayer chain by calling Margie at 248-0427 or email mcsmith12@verizon.net
- Join us at 11:30 AM on Mondays in the Baraca Room
- Join us in prayer for the church on Thursdays at 11:30 in the church office
- Use this prayer guide in your daily prayers

Pray for our Community, Nation and World

Our Community

- Those struggling with addictions, and their loved ones
- Solutions to the opioid epidemic

For Our Programs and Growth

- Our Church Health Team
- Our Deacons and their ministry of help and care
- Visitors to join us and find a spiritual home here

For Those Who Grieve

- Family and Friends of Carey Ann Harpster who died May 3

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
- Locust Grove Retirement Village: Doris Hoverter

Those Battling Cancer

- Ryland Ertley, 3-year-old son of Derick and Micheline (Redmond) Ertley: in treatment for Burkitt lymphoma
- Blain Hackenburg: stage 4 lung cancer
- Mike Macchiaverna: received marrow transplant
- Levi Foltz: 2-year-old with a tumor

- Joyce Nicholas: liver and lung cancer
- Brad Siddons: undergoing preventative chemo treatments
- Gina Eargle: undergoing treatments
- Neil Knable
- Jim Marthouse: improving after marrow transplant
- Harold Miller: cancerous tumor
- Jennifer Elder: young mother battling a brain tumor

Other Health Concerns

- Dan Pierce: triple bypass, at Hershey
- Jeff Pyles: suffered a severe heart attack w/complications
- Brian Primozich: young father with a rare kidney disease
- Keri Corkery: young woman who had a stroke
- Shannon Lower: received a double lung transplant
- George Cockerill: medical tests
- Naomi DeBello: 15-year-old with congenital heart issues
- Rich Harper: adjusting well to MS treatments
- Mary Barger: strength & courage following a stroke
- Shirley Ferguson: chronic pain and limited mobility
- Those who are homebound

Those in the Military

- O1/LT Allison (Harklerode) Conforte: Naval Medical Center, Portsmouth, VA
- SPC Ian Shelly: attending Millersville University
- BM3 Tyler M. Earnest: awaiting new address
- SFC William Corson: 17836 Upland Dr SE, Yelm, WA 98597
- SGT John Dietz: PSC 560 Box 481, APO, AP 96376
- SSGT Tyler Treaster: 7294 Puckett Dr, Neroes Manor, Camp Lejeune, NC 28547

Our Mission Partners

- Leah and Francis Daytec in the Philippines
- Camp Krislund as they seek a new director
- Shelter Services providing hope and help to the homeless
- Habitat for Humanity
- Backyard Ministries sharing the gospel with children
- Adventures in Mission and BuildinGuate and their work with the people who live in the dump near Antigua, Guatemala
- The Veraso family transitioning out of their work with Adventures in Missions and seeking other employment.
- The LUMINA Center as they reach out to area children and seek new leadership upon the retirement of Debbie Wilt
- Miranda Shoop as she works at the LUMINA center

Our Families of the Week

- George and Brett Buchanan
- Ed and Cheryl Snyder

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

May 20 – May 27, 2018

SUNDAY, May 20

- 9:00 AM Adult Small Group – parlor
- 9:15 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 6:00 PM Youth Group

MONDAY, May 21

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

TUESDAY, May 22

- 9:30 AM Backyard Ministries cookie collection
- 6:30 PM Adult Small Group – third floor

WEDNESDAY, May 23

- 6:30 AM **NO** Adult Small Group this week

THURSDAY, May 24

- 7:00 PM Morning Preschool Class Graduation

FRIDAY, May 25

- 7:00 PM Afternoon Preschool Class Graduation

SUNDAY, May 27

- 9:00 AM Adult Small Group – parlor
- 9:15 AM Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Deacons' Meeting
- 11:30 AM Community Luncheon
- 6:00 PM Youth Group

GIVING REPORT AS OF 5/13/18

Weekly Need: \$ 3,341.35	YTD Need: \$ 63,485.65
Last Week: \$ 2,663.00	YTD Received: \$ 60,193.54