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July 15, 2018

**Series: Love and Truth
The Message of 1, 2 & 3 John**

Week 11: Truth, Love, and Unity

"Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love. This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins." 1 John 4:7-10

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LEWISTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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10:30 AM

Prelude

Allegro Maestoso

Handel

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 25:1-10, 20-21

Leader: In you, LORD my God, I put my trust.

**People: I trust in you; do not let me be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.**

Leader: No one who hopes in you will ever be put to shame, but shame will come on those who are treacherous without cause.

People: Show me your ways, LORD, teach me your paths. Guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

Leader: Remember, LORD, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.

People: Do not remember the sins of my youth and my rebellious ways; according to your love remember me, for you, LORD, are good.

Leader: Good and upright is the LORD; therefore, he instructs sinners in his ways. He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

People: All the ways of the LORD are loving and faithful toward those who keep the demands of his covenant.

Leader: For the sake of your name, LORD, forgive my iniquity, though it is great.

People: Guard my life and rescue me; do not let me be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.

All: *May integrity and uprightness protect me, because my hope, LORD, is in you.*

* **Hymn #356** (blue)

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

* **Greeting of Peace**

* **Song** (*call and response*)

1. Hail Jesus, you're my King.
Your life frees me to sing.
I will praise you all my days.
You're perfect in all your ways.
2. Hail Jesus, you're my Lord.
I will obey your Word.
I want to see your kingdom come.
Not my will but yours be done.
3. Glory, glory to the Lamb.
You take me into the land.
We will conquer in your name,
And proclaim that Jesus reigns.
4. Hail, hail, Lion of Judah.
How powerful You are.
Hail, hail, Lion of Judah.
How wonderful You are.
How wonderful You are.

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* **Song**

Bless the Lord (10,000 Reasons)

Chorus:

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul;
Worship His holy name.
Sing like never before, O my soul;
I'll worship Your holy name.*

1. The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing Your song again.
Whatever may pass,
And whatever lies before me,
Let me be singing when the evening comes.
2. You're rich in love and You're slow to anger.
Your name is great and Your heart is kind.
For all Your goodness, I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.
3. And on that day, when my strength is failing,
The end draws near, and my time has come;
Still, my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years, and then forevermore!

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Children's Sermon

Words of Witness

Special Music

Joshua

Unison Prayer of Confession

Eternal Father, you are marvelously kind, just, and loving. Through your Son, Jesus, you give us lives of eternal meaning, purpose, and joy. Jesus calls us to take up our crosses daily so we may follow him, and at the same time he calls us to give up our heavy burdens so we may receive His rest for our souls. We confess we frequently do neither one of these well. We fail to see the balance required, and we are unwilling to commit to what is truly needed. We focus on what is ultimately of minor significance, and we allow what is most significant to fall away from our view. We act when we should do nothing, and we do nothing when we should act. Forgive us, gracious God, and renew us. Through your Word and your Spirit, show us your perspective on our lives. Give us the wisdom and the courage to act and to rest in faith, so we may give glory to your name. We pray through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Make Me a Channel of Your Peace Arr: Wagner

* Doxology #592 (blue)

* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon

Truth, Love, and Unity

Pastoral Prayer

* **Hymn #376** (blue) Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (vv 1-3)

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Chorus**

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (v 4)

*Finish, then, Thy new creation;
Pure and spotless let us be;
Let us see Thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in Thee;
Changes from glory into glory,
Till in heaven we take our place,
Till we cast our crowns before Thee,
Lost in wonder, love, and praise.*

Postlude

Glorious Be Thy Name

McKinney

**If comfortably able please stand*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Ellen Miller

Liturgist: Alex Garner

Next Week: Doug Garner

Acolyte: Leland Mitchell

Next Week: Bailey Cullen

Children's Chat: Ginny Westover

Next Week: Devon Thomas

Children's Church: Ginny Westover

Next Week: Kari Cullen

Special Music: St. John's Brass Quartet: Trumpet; Josie Baughman, Tracy Loucks, French Horn; Nancy Machmer, Euphonium; Terri Limes

Next Week: Phil and Joan Loewen

Ushers: Carole Auker (lead usher), Scott Auker, Jan Headings, Gwen Knudson

Words of Witness: Miranda Shoop

Preaching: Pastor James Thomas

Infants/Preschool: Mercy Westover and Alex Garner

Next week: Elaine Siddons and Riley Cullen

Deacon for the Month: Gerri Aitkin

Counters: Lisa Snyder and Jack Wilson

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.

FAREWELL CELEBRATION: Please join us in worship next Sunday, July 22, as this will be the last Sunday that Pastor Jim will be in the pulpit as our pastor. After worship we will have an opportunity to show our love and appreciation for both Devon and Pastor Jim, which will include a luncheon in the Baraca Room. Please let us know if you will be able to attend.

KRISLUND TRAVELING DAY CAMP is returning to Lewistown Presbyterian for the third consecutive summer of ministry beginning tomorrow! Nine children from our church family are registered to attend Krislund Traveling Day camp (over 100 kids all together!) The CE committee is very grateful for those who have already stepped up to volunteer in some fashion. THANK YOU! We CANNOT do this without you!! There are still holes to be filled! PLEASE prayerfully consider how you can be involved:

- Tuesday adult volunteer to help lead a group of kids. You will be paired with a Krislund staff member.
- Adult volunteer to travel to Krislund on Thursday, spend the night and travel home Friday.
- Breakfast and/or lunch servers to help with set up, serving and clean-up (8:45 and approximately 11:30).
- Donations of snack items (cereal bars, goldfish crackers, pretzels, Chex mix, or cookies).

THANK YOU for those snacks already received! Keep in mind we are giving snack to 100 kids, plus staff, each day. There is donation box in the narthex. THANK YOU!! You will be blessed! Yes, you will be tired, but joyfully so as you see God at work!

KTDC STAFF, LPC AND LUMINA KTDC VOLUNTEERS will meet tonight from 6:00-7:00 PM in the Baraca room for supper, KTDC training, and a time to meet and greet each other.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

- **Youth Group:** Youth group for youth in grades 6-12 will be held Sunday, July 22 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. *No youth tonight, due to Krislund and LPC staff meeting.*
- **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:** This group is taking the summer off and will resume in the fall.
- **Wednesday Morning Group** meets at the manse at 6:30 AM and is studying The Daniel Prayer by Anne Graham Lotz. All are welcome!
- **Sunday Evening Group** meets from 6:00 – 7:15 PM at the manse and is studying, Address the Mess by Andy Stanley.

LEWISTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PRESCHOOL AND NURSERY SCHOOL is currently accepting resumes for the Assistant to the Preschool Director/Lead Nursery School Teacher position (5 days per week). A BA in Early Childhood Education and/or Elementary Education and a minimum of two years classroom experience is required. Candidates should also be aligned with our mission to provide a quality educational program in a Christ-centered environment. Resumes accepted at the church office Monday – Friday 8:30 AM – 3:30 PM or send to Lewistown Presbyterian Church, 17 E. Third Street, Lewistown, PA 17044 by July 19.

GOSPEL CONCERT: The Bethel AME Church is hosting their Second Annual Gospel Concert and Pew rally on July 22 at 3 pm. A number of local groups vocalists will perform. All are welcome!

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

GIVING REPORT AS OF 7/8/18

Weekly Need:	\$ 3,341.35	YTD Need:	\$ 90,216.45
Last Week:	\$ 2,961.70	YTD Received:	\$ 81,418.72

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

3 John 1:1-14

1 The elder, to my dear friend Gaius, whom I love in the truth.

2 Dear friend, I pray that you may enjoy good health and that all may go well with you, even as your soul is getting along well. **3** It gave me great joy when some believers came and testified about your faithfulness to the truth, telling how you continue to walk in it. **4** I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth.

5 Dear friend, you are faithful in what you are doing for the brothers and sisters, even though they are strangers to you.

6 They have told the church about your love. Please send them on their way in a manner that honors God. **7** It was for the sake of the Name that they went out, receiving no help from the pagans.

8 We ought therefore to show hospitality to such people so that we may work together for the truth.

9 I wrote to the church, but Diotrefes, who loves to be first, will not welcome us. **10** So when I come, I will call attention to what he is doing, spreading malicious nonsense about us. Not satisfied with that, he even refuses to welcome other believers. He also stops those who want to do so and puts them out of the church.

11 Dear friend, do not imitate what is evil but what is good. Anyone who does what is good is from God. Anyone who does what is evil has not seen God. **12** Demetrius is well spoken of by everyone—and even by the truth itself. We also speak well of him, and you know that our testimony is true.

13 I have much to write you, but I do not want to do so with pen and ink. **14** I hope to see you soon, and we will talk face to face. Peace to you. The friends here send their greetings. Greet the friends there by name.

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

July 15 – July 22, 2018

SUNDAY, July 15 Deacon's Offering

- 9:00 AM Adult Small Group – parlor
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 6:00 PM Krislund Counselors arrive
- 6:00 PM Adult Small Group – manse

MONDAY, July 16

- 9:00-4:00 PM Krislund Traveling Day Camp
- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry
- 6:00 PM Joy Seekers

TUESDAY, July 17

- 9:00-4:00 PM Krislund Traveling Day Camp

WEDNESDAY, July 18

- 6:30 AM Adult Small Group - manse
- 9:00-4:00 PM Krislund Traveling Day Camp

THURSDAY, July 19

- PANORAMA DEADLINE
- 9:00 AM Krislund Traveling Day Campers leave for camp

FRIDAY, July 20

- 4:00 PM Krislund Traveling Day Campers return

SUNDAY, July 22

- 9:00 AM Adult Small Group – parlor
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Farewell Celebration for Devon and Pastor Jim
- 6:00 PM Youth Group

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.