

October 14, 2018

Rev. Barry T. Vance Guest Minister

"Loved, but Challenged"

Mark 10:17-31

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LEWISTOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

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10:30 AM

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Partita on "Dunlap's Creek"

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Welcome and Announcements

Million Reasons Life Tree Kids Introit

Call to Worship

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;

People: We will sing the glory of God's name; and

give to God glorious praise!

Leader: Bless our God, O peoples;

People: Let the sound of God's praise be heard.

* **Hvmn #461** (blue)

God is Here!

* Greeting of Peace

Unison Prayer of Confession

God of healing grace, we are often weak and lost. You sent us a Savior, Jesus, the Christ, who renewed our strength. Yet, we have often taken for granted your boundless goodness, freely given. Forgive us, by your Spirit, lead us, that we would demonstrate genuine thanksgiving, through gracious words and glad service; loving as we have been loved and giving as we have received.

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Graham Kendrick Anthem Shine, Jesus Shine

Children's Sermon

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor Ashdown

- * Doxology #592 (blue)
- * Prayer of Dedication

* Song

In the Bulb There is a Flower

- 1. In the bulb there is a flower;
 In the seed, an apple tree;
 In cocoons, a hidden promise:
 The butterflies will soon be free!
 In the cold and snow of winter
 There's a spring that waits to be,
 Unrevealed until its season,
 Something God alone can see.
- There's a song in every silence, Seeking word and melody; There's a dawn in every darkness, Bringing hope to you and me. From the past will come the future; What it holds, a mystery, Unrevealed until its season, Something God alone can see.
- 3. In our end is our beginning;
 In our time, infinity;
 In our doubt there is believing;
 In our life, eternity.
 In our death, a resurrection;
 At the last, a victory,
 Unrevealed until its season,
 Something God alone can see.
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* Song

Be Thou My Vision

- Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
 Nought be all else to me, save that Thou art;
 Thou my best thought, by day and by night,
 Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
- 2. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee, and Thou with me Lord; Thou my Great Father, and I Thy true son; Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one.

- 3. Riches I heed not, nor vain empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, the first in my heart, High King of Heaven, my treasure Thou art.
- 4. High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Scripture Reading

Mark 10:17-31

Sermon

Loved, but Challenged

Pastoral Prayer

*Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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.

Lord's Prayer

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.

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

^{*} Hymn #383 (blue)

* 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

Immortal, Invisible

Smith

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Children's Choir: Leah Riden, director **Chancel Choir:** Doug Garner, director

Liturgist: Miranda Shoop Next Week: Bill Sisson

Acolytes for the Month: Liam Griffith Worship Elder: Susan Ferguson

Next Week: Leah Riden

Children's Chat: Maryann Haines

Next Week: Kari Cullen

Children's Church: Diane Griffith, Rachel Cunningham,

Hannah Griffith

Ushers: Cole Cullen (lead usher), Kari Cullen, Riley Cullen,

Reece Cullen, Jim Crimmel and David Eichenlaub

Preaching: Rev. Barry Vance

Preaching Next Week: Rev. Jeanette Mater

Infants/Preschool: Amy Smith

Next Week: Leah Riden

Deacon for the Month: Carol Zorn

Counters: Dave Noss and Lonnie Griffith
Next Week: Jack Wilson and Pauli Belfiore

^{*} If comfortably able, please stand.

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 4 is available throughout the service. Children's church is available for children age 5 – grade 5 following the children's sermon.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS today are given by Ben and Henry Lepley and Liam Schmidt in honor of their grandmother, Brett Buchanan, on her birthday.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SPONSOR FLOWERS: There are open dates to place flowers in the church sanctuary. October 28, November 11, 18 and 25 are available. For more information, call the church office at 248-4561. If you would like the church to order the flowers for you, the cost is \$50.00.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

- **Youth Group:** Youth group for youth in grades 6-12 will be held tonight 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 Study** meets in the youth room on the third floor at 6:30 PM. The study is, "When God Doesn't Fix It" by Laura Story. It focuses on learning to walk in God's plans instead of our own. All are welcome to join them!
- Thursday Morning Study Group meets in the church parlor at 6:30 AM. Note new day. Their study is by Max Lucado entitled, "Unshakable Hope." There are things that seem unsteady in this life, but when we belong to God it allows us to filter our problems through the promises of God. Come and learn how to stand on the declarations of our mighty and loving God.

PRAYER MINISTRY: Two opportunities are available to gather together to pray for the life and ministry of the church. Mondays at 11:30 AM (church parlor) and Thursdays at 11:30 AM (church office).

DEACONS OFFERING: On the third Sunday of each month, the loose offering is given to the Deacons to help those in need. We have had several unusual requests for funds and our funds are getting low. Thank you for your help. The next ingathering will be next Sunday.

A PEEK AT OUR PRESCHOOL: Our Preschool and Nursery School students have been practicing some songs and learning a Bible verse to share with you during morning worship **next Sunday**. Please welcome them and their families and then plan to peek into the classroom afterwards and see some of what the children have been learning.

REV. RAY BRUGLAR will be celebrating his 90th birthday on October 22. Rev. Bruglar is one of the sons of our church. If you would like to send him birthday greetings, his address is 339 East Jamestown Rd. #306, Greenville, PA 16125.

COMMISSIONING SERVICE: The congregation of the First Presbyterian Church in Hollidaysburg, along with the Presbytery of Huntingdon, invite you to share in their joy as they commission Elder Ken Lynch as lay Pastor today at 2:00 PM. The church is located at 601 Walnut Street, Hollidaysburg, PA.

SPECIAL BURIAL LOT SALE: Mount Rock Cemetery is located at Oakland Avenue, Lewistown. For the month of October is selling burial lots for \$150.00 each, the regular price is \$200.00 per lot. The cemetery is owned and managed by the church. If interested in purchasing a burial lot, call 717-248-6448 and leave a message to receive an appointment.

COMBINED YOUTH ACTIVITY NEXT SUNDAY: LPC Youth will join with the McVeytown Presbyterian Youth and travel to Ard's Farm in Lewisburg for a fun afternoon of a corn maze, games, and other activities. We will eat lunch together at Downtown OIP right after the morning service before heading out. Cost for the event is \$10.00 (\$8 per person for admission and \$2 to help pay for gas; cost of supper included). Please bring money for lunch. See Miranda, Susan or Ginny for a permission form. Return time 7:30 PM to the church.

MITTENS AND HATS: There is a tree in the narthex with mittens placed on it for Backyard Ministries. Pink is girls! Blue is boys! Sizes needed are on each mitten. Please help us keep kids warm this winter by taking a mitten and purchasing a hat and mittens for the size indicated. Please return the hats and mittens by next Sunday. Thank you so much for helping with this valued ministry. ~Lynn Curry, Backyard Ministries Representative

SAFE TRICK OR TREAT: The Mission and Evangelism committee are requesting donations of Smarties candies for Safe Trick or Treat Night being held on 10/26/18. **Please drop off at the church office by Monday, 10/22.**

NOVEMBER COMMUNITY LUNCHEON: The Mission and Evangelism Committee is looking for someone to head up and organize the November Community Luncheon to be held on 11/25. If you are interested, please see Amy Smith. Thank you!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING AFTER SCHOOL? About 25 children in grades 2-7 report to the LUMINA Center's after-school program Monday - Thursday. They wind down with a little fun followed by supper and then it's time for homework. For this after-school program to be a success there is a need for additional volunteers. If you can commit to one or more days a week from 3:00 to 5:30 PM, please contact Miranda Shoop at miranda.shoop@gmail.com or the church office at 717-248-4561. Clearances are required. Volunteers help supervise, serve already-prepared meals to the children and/or help with homework. Many of these children simply need to know somebody cares about them. You can be that positive role model. Many came to Krislund Traveling Day Camp. Please prayerfully consider how you can help in this important Lewistown ministry.

GIVING REPORT AS OF 10/7/18

Weekly Need: \$ 3,341.35 YTD Need: \$ 133,684.00 Received: \$ 5,773.00 YTD Received: \$ 129,180.09

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE Mark 10:17-31

The Rich and the Kingdom of God

- ¹⁷ As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?"
- ¹⁸ "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. ¹⁹ You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother."
- $^{\mathbf{20}}$ "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy."
- ²¹ Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."
- ²² At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth.
- ²³ Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, "How hard it is for the rich to enter the kingdom of God!"
- ²⁴ The disciples were amazed at his words. But Jesus said again, "Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! ²⁵ It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God."
- 26 The disciples were even more amazed, and said to each other, "Who then can be saved?"
- ²⁷ Jesus looked at them and said, "With man this is impossible, but not with God; all things are possible with God."
- ²⁸ Then Peter spoke up, "We have left everything to follow you!"²⁹ "Truly I tell you," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel³⁰ will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. ³¹ But many who are first will be last, and the last first."

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CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

October 14 - October 21, 2018

SUNDAY, October 14

9:00 AM Adult Small Group - parlor

9:15 AM Children's Choir

10:30 AM Worship Service

6:00 PM Youth Group - third floor

MONDAY, October 15

11:30 AM Prayer Ministry – church parlor

TUESDAY, October 16

6:30 PM Adult Small Group - youth room

WEDNESDAY, October 17

6:00 PM Bell Choir rehearsal

7:00 PM Chancel Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY, October 18

6:30 AM Bible Study - church parlor

11:30 AM Prayer Ministry – church office

FRIDAY, October 19 - November Panorama Deadline

SUNDAY, October 21 - Deacon's Offering

9:00 AM Adult Small Group - parlor

9:15 AM Children's Choir

10:30 AM Worship Service and Children's Church11:30 AM School Open House

11:30 AM Youth Group - Corn Maze

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.

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. Monday nights the Joy Seekers Women's Bible Study meet at 6:00 pm in the church parlor and the **Boy Scouts** meet at 7:00 pm on the third floor.