



October 28, 2018

Moderator: Rev. K. Joy Kaufmann

Stewardship Sunday
"Are You Grateful?"

Mark 12:28-34, 38-44

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10:30 AM

Prelude When Morning Gilds the Skies Wood
Toccata on "Ein fest e Burg" Penfield

Welcome and Announcements

Introit The Eyes of the Lord are Upon You Moore

Call to Worship Psalm 34:1-5, 8

Leader: I shall bless the Lord at all times; his praise will be
ever on my lips.

People: **In the Lord I shall glory; the humble will hear
and be glad. Glorify the Lord with me; let us
exalt his name together.**

Leader: I sought the Lord's help; he answered me and set
me free from all my fears.

People: **They who look to God are radiant with joy;
they will never be put out of countenance.**

ALL: **O taste and see that the Lord is good! Happy
are those who find refuge in God!**

* **Hymn 554#** (blue) Let All Things Now Living

* **Greeting of Peace**

Children's Sermon

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Powerful and generous God, you have seen us through
many hard times. You have given of yourself over and
over again. Forgive us when we fail to recognize that
you have gone before us, showing the way, saving us
from ourselves, and redeeming us to everlasting life.
May we glorify you with our lips and our lives, with our
actions and our gifts, for you have given us the
ultimate gift: your own Son, Jesus Christ. We pray,
asking forgiveness for our lack of gratitude, in his
precious name. Amen.**

Silent Prayers of Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

Anthem How Can I Keep From Singing? Courtney

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Children of the Heavenly Father Wood

* Doxology #592 (blue)

* Prayer of Dedication

* **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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* **Song** Great is Thy Faithfulness

1. Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
There is no shadow of turning with Thee,
Thou changest not, Thy compassions they fail not,
As Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Chorus:

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Great is Thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see.

All I have needed Thy hand hath provided.

Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

2. Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence
To cheer and to guide;
Strength for today,
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside.

Scripture Reading

Mark 12:28-34, 38-44

Sermon

Are You Grateful?

Faith Sharing

Lisa Snyder

***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.

Pastoral Prayer and 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.

* **Hymn #367** (blue) Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us with Your Love

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Chorus**

Bless the Lord

*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.*

Postlude

Variations on Sine Nomine

Koury

* *If comfortably able, please stand.*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Chancel Choir: Doug Garner, director

Introit & Anthem: Chancel Choir; Doug Garner, director

Liturgist: Kari Cullen

Next Week: Ken Fisher

Acolyte for the Month: Liam Griffith

Worship Elder: Sue Garner

Next Week: Bill Sisson

Children's Chat: Joan Loewen

Next Week: Elaine Siddons

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. K. Joy Kaufmann

Preaching Next Week: Rev. Jeanette Mater

Infants/Preschool: Linda O'Dell

Next Week: Zoë Finan

Deacon for the Month: Carol Zorn

Counters: Kari Cullen and Dale Henry

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.

BOY SCOUTS FUNDRAISER BREAKFAST: Troop 4 will be serving breakfast Saturday, November 10, from 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM in the Baraca room. They will be serving a full breakfast of pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, orange juice and coffee. The cost is \$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children and children under five are free with a paying adult. Proceeds benefit summer camping scholarships.

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

OPPORTUNITIES TO SPONSOR FLOWERS: There are open dates to place flowers in the church sanctuary. 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.

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. 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.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY

- **Youth Group: There will not be Youth group tonight.**
- **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. They are beginning a new study this week, "The Daniel Dilemma: How to Stand Firm and Love Well in a Culture of Compromise." All are welcome!
- **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).

GIVING REPORT AS OF 10/21/18

Weekly Need:	\$ 3,341.35	YTD Need:	\$ 140,316.41
Received	\$ 2,539.40	YTD Received:	\$ 133,944.65

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

Mark 12:28-34, 38-44

12:28 One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?"

29 "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. **30** Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' **31** The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

32 "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. **33** To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

34 When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions.

12:38 As he taught, Jesus said, "Watch out for the teachers of the law. They like to walk around in flowing robes and be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, **39** and have the most important seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at banquets. **40** They devour widows' houses and for a show make lengthy prayers. These men will be punished most severely."

41 Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. **42** But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

43 Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others.

44 They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

October 28 – November 4, 2018

SUNDAY, October 28

- 9:00 AM Adult Small Group – parlor
- 9:15 AM Children’s Choir
- 10:30 AM Worship Service and Children’s Church
- 11:30 AM Community Luncheon
- NO** Youth Group tonight

MONDAY, October 29

- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry – church parlor

TUESDAY, October 30

- 6:30 PM Adult Small Group – youth room

WEDNESDAY, October 31

- 7:00 PM Chancel Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY, November 1

- 6:30 AM Bible Study – church parlor
- 11:30 AM Prayer Ministry – church office

SUNDAY, November 4

- 9:00 AM Adult Small Group – parlor
- 9:15 AM Children’s Choir
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 6:00 AM 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.

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.