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May 7, 2017

Easter Series: Raised with Christ **Week 3: Raised with Christ We're Bonded**

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. – Colossians 3:1-4

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People: The LORD preserves those who are true to him; be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD.

*** Opening Hymn #260**

A Mighty Fortress

*** Affirmation of Faith**

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*** Song of Response #579 (blue)**

Glory Be to the Father

Children's Sermon

Anthem

Prayer

Besig

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Sarabande

Handel

* Doxology #591 (blue hymnal)

* Prayer of Dedication

- 1) Lord, I come, I confess
Bowling here I find my rest.
And without you, I fall apart.
You're the one that guides my heart.

Chorus:

*Lord I need you, oh, I need you.
Every hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need you.*

- 2) Where sin runs deep, your grace is more.
Where grace is found is where you are.
And where you are, Lord, I am free.
Holiness is Christ in me.
Where you are, Lord, I am free.
Holiness is Christ in me.

Chorus:

*Lord I need you, oh, I need you.
Every hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need you.*

Bridge:

*So teach my song to rise to you
When temptation comes my way.
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on you.
Jesus, you're my hope and stay.
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on you.
Jesus, you're my hope and stay.*

Last Chorus:

*Lord I need you, oh, I need you.
Every hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need you.
Lord I need you, oh, I need you.
Every hour I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need you.
My one defense, my righteousness;
Oh, God, how I need you.*

* **Song**

The Power of Your Love

1. Lord I come to you, let my heart be changed, renewed;
Flowing from the grace that I've found in you.
And Lord I've come to know,
The weaknesses I see in me,
Will be stripped away, by the power of your love.

Chorus:

*Hold me close, let your love surround me;
Bring me near; draw me to your side.
And as I wait I'll rise up like the eagle,
And I will soar with you,
Your spirit leads me on, in the power of your love.*

2. Lord unveil my eyes, let me see you face to face;
The knowledge of your love, as you live -- in me.
And Lord renew my mind, as Your will unfolds in my life;
In living every day, by the power of your love.

Chorus:

*Hold me close, let your love surround me;
Bring me near; draw me to your side.
And as I wait I'll rise up like the eagle,
And I will soar with you,
Your spirit leads me on, in the power of your love.*

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Scripture Reading

1 Peter 2:1-10

Sermon

We're Bonded

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Communion Prayer

Distribution of the Elements

Lord's Prayer

Traditional

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 #417** (blue) Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

* **Benediction**

* **Closing Chorus**

He is Lord

*He is Lord, He is Lord, He is risen from the dead
And He is Lord. Every knee shall bow
Every tongue confess; that Jesus Christ is Lord.*

Postlude

Taccata Francais

Young

**If comfortably able please stand*

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Accompanist: Joan Loewen

Introit & Anthem: Chancel Choir; Doug Garner, director

Liturgist: Susan Ferguson

Next Week: Devon Thomas

Acolyte: Alex and Lucas Garner

Children's Chat: Joan Loewen

Next Week: Leah Riden

Ushers: Sue Garner (lead usher), Danny and Alex Garner,
Maryann and Annalise Haines, Ryan Fultz

Children's Church: Communion – No Jr. church

Next Week: Donis and Jimmy Zagurskie

Infants/Preschool: Pam Pecht and Mercy Westover

Next Week: Karen McCurdy and Olivia Smith

Deacon for the Month: Ginny Westover

Preaching: Pastor James Thomas

Counters: Lonnie Griffith and Ginny Westover

Next Week: Lisa Snyder and Ginny Westover

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.

THE CHANCEL FLOWERS today are dedicated to God's glory and are given by Marlene, Jeff and Mary Beth Creighton in loving memory of Dr. Daniel Creighton.

SNACK COLLECTION: Donations of snacks for LUMINA and Backyard ministries can be placed in the box in the Narthex.

NEW MEMBERS' CLASS: Pastor Thomas is teaching a class for those who would like to learn more about our church and may be considering the possibility of joining the church. The classes will be held from 9:00-10:00 AM on Sundays May 7, 14, 21, and 28. Those who choose to join the church will be received into membership on Pentecost Sunday, June 4. If you have any questions or need child-care in order to attend, please contact Pastor Thomas at 250-7808.

WEEK OF CARING: The Lewistown Area Week of Caring is slated for July 31 – August 4 from 9 AM – 3 PM each day. Both skilled and unskilled labor is needed as local churches work together to bless our neighbors. You can register to help at fumclewistown.org. Scheduled projects include painting, deck construction, fencing and yard clean-up. You may volunteer for the whole week or for just a few hours.

SMALL GROUP MINISTRY: Many small group are available to encourage you in your faith:

- **Adult Sunday Morning Study** meets in the church parlor on Sundays at 9. They will be studying He Chose the Nails: What God Did to Win Your Heart by Max Lucado. All are welcome to join this very meaningful Lenten study led by Pat Brown.
- **Youth Sunday Morning Study** is continuing to study the life of David and what it means to be a person after God's heart. They meet on the third floor at 9 AM. All youth in grades 6-12 are welcome!
- **Sunday Afternoon Study:** This Small group on the first Sunday of each month for ongoing learning and encouragement. They meet in the parlor following the worship service.
- **Tuesday Evening Fellowship Group** that meets at the home of Jim and Kris Hill has suspended for the summer.
- **Wednesday Morning Group:** The Wednesday Morning Group that meets at 6:30 AM at the manse is beginning a new study by Ann Voskamp called The Broken Way.

PRESCHOOL GRADUATION: Our preschool classes will be celebrating their graduations on Tuesday, May 16 for the morning class, and Wednesday, May 17 for the afternoon class. 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.

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 10. Thank you!

PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION: Our preschool and nursery schools are accepting registrations for the 2017-2018 school year. Please encourage friends and family to consider our school. Also let them know that the afternoon preschool class has been moved one half hour earlier to accommodate parents who also have children in elementary schools.

SUMMER MUSIC: We still have a few dates for which we need special music this summer. If you are interested in offering your gift of song to the congregation, please see Devon Thomas for a list of available dates.

FAITH FESTIVAL: The annual Faith Festival sponsored by local churches will be held at the Mifflin County Library grounds on Saturday, May 20 from 10 AM – 2 PM. The Community Band will be playing from 10 – 11, Evangel Baptist’s praise band from 11-noon, and local bluegrass gospel group, Dry Bones, will be performing at noon. Churches will have booths with information, food, and activities for all!

CHURCH PICNIC: Mark your calendars! The annual church picnic at Derry Township (Kish) Park is scheduled for July 11 at the green pavilion!

GIVING REPORT AS OF 4/30/17

Weekly Need: \$3,265.14	YTD Need: \$58,773.02
Last Week: \$2,193.00	YTD Received: \$57,689.29

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE

1 Peter 2:1-10

^{2:1} Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. ² Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, ³ now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

⁴ As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by humans but chosen by God and precious to him— ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says: “See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame.” ⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, “The stone the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,” ⁸ and, “A stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall.” They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for. ⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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Sermon Notes:

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

May 7 – May 14, 2017

TODAY, May 7 Communion

- 9:00 AM New Member's Class
- 9:00 AM Small Group Study-parlor
- 9:00 AM Teen Bible Study
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Small Group
- 11:30 AM Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 PM Youth Group

MONDAY, May 8

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

TUESDAY, May 9

- 4:00 PM Backyard Club at Woodlawn

WEDNESDAY, May 10

- 6:30 AM Small Group Study at the manse

THURSDAY, May 11

- 7:00 PM Session Meeting

SUNDAY, May 14 Mother's Day

- 9:00 AM New Member's Class
- 9:00 AM Small Group Study-parlor
- 9:00 AM Teen Bible Study
- 10:30 AM Worship Service
- 11:30 AM Choir Rehearsal

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.