



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 12, 2017 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

* **Call to worship**

Leader: In your wisdom, O God, you call us here to worship.

All: We gather, alive to the Word of God.

Leader: You call us to be fully alive with your life abundant,
ready to listen and respond with heart, soul, strength, and mind.

All: We listen, alive to the Word of God.

Leader: You call us to be always watchful for your Word of wisdom,
sometimes startling and unexpected, sometimes still and quiet,
but always dwelling among us.

All: We watch and wait for the Word of God.

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* **Hymn of praise 38**

“Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise”

* **Prayer of adoration**

* **Affirmation of faith**

We affirm that the LORD is the author and finisher of our faith, that the whole work of redemption is Christ’s alone, that every good work or thought found in us is the effect of God’s power and grace. We believe that there is no true comfort in anything apart from enjoying God and being engaged in His service. We rejoice to know that all things are at the LORD’s disposal, and we are content to leave all things in his hands.

Adapted from “God the All,” in The Valley of Vision, p. 4

Call to confession

1 Peter 1:14-19

Do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; for it is written: “Be holy, because I am holy.” Since you call on a Father who judges each man’s work impartially, live your lives as strangers here in reverent fear. For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

Silent prayers of confession

Choral prayer

“Servant’s Prayer”
Betsy Henderson; arr. Joe Milton

Kingdom Kids

Lord Jesus, hear my prayer. Look deep into my heart,
where you will find a willing servant from the very start.

Lord Jesus, hear my prayer, and guide me in your ways,
and teach my heart to give you honor as I sing your praise.

Assurance of God’s pardoning grace

Romans 5:8-9

God demonstrates his own love for us in this: while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much
more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him!

*** Hymn of assurance 508**

“Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

Worship in the giving of God’s tithe and our offerings**Offertory**

“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks I Stand”
Samuel Stennett, Christopher Miner; arr. Belmont RUF

Kingdom Kids

On Jordan’s stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye
to Canaan’s fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.

All o’er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day.
There God, the Son forever reigns, and scatters night away.

Refrain: I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed?
When shall I see my Father’s face, and in his bosom rest?

*** Doxology 731***** Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving***** Scripture reading from Exodus 5:1-21**

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Mary Kaufmann (9:30)

Hunt Davidson (11:00)

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word**Sermon**

“When Suffering Follows Obedience”
Joe Novenson, senior teaching pastor

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response

“Thy Way, Not Mine, O Lord”

1. Thy way, not mine, O Lord, how - ev - er dark it be! Lead me by
2. Take thou my cup and it with__ joy or sor-row fill as best to

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thine own hand, choose__ out the path for me; smooth let it
thee may seem: choose__ thou my good and ill. Not mine, not

be or rough, it will be still the best; wind - ing or
mine the choice in things or great or small; be thou my

straight, it leads right__ on - ward to thy rest.
guide, my strength, my__ wis - dom and my all.

text Horatius Bonar, tune: MADRID, traditional Spanish melody arr. David Evans, 1927

* Benediction

* Congregational response

“Threefold Amen”

* Postlude

“Menuet Gothique”

Léon Boëllmann

* Congregation standing as you are able

Elders meet to pray in Pastor Novenson’s office at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday morning. If you would like them to pray for you and your specific needs, they welcome you to join them.

Devices to amplify sound during the Sunday morning worship services are available. If you would like one, please arrive a few minutes early and ask an usher to assist you.

Children are welcome to participate in all worship services, no matter the age of the child. Worship sheets and crayons are available in the narthex and at the front of the sanctuary to help children interact with the sermon.

The Kingdom Kids Choir consists of students in grades 1-5. We meet from 4:45-5:40 p.m. each Wednesday night. Joy Gibbons and Jennifer Mixon are co-directors and Heather Kvale and Katie Kanoff are assistants. For more information, please contact joy@lmpc.org.

Exodus 5:1-21

¹Afterward Moses and Aaron went to Pharaoh and said, "This is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says: 'Let my people go, so that they may hold a festival to me in the desert.'"

²Pharaoh said, "Who is the LORD, that I should obey him and let Israel go? I do not know the LORD and I will not let Israel go." ³Then they said, "The God of the Hebrews has met with us. Now let us take a three-day journey into the desert to offer sacrifices to the LORD our God, or he may strike us with plagues or with the sword." ⁴But the king of Egypt said, "Moses and Aaron, why are you taking the people away from their labor? Get back to your work!" ⁵Then Pharaoh said, "Look, the people of the land are now numerous, and you are stopping them from working."

⁶That same day Pharaoh gave this order to the slave drivers and foremen in charge of the people: ⁷"You are no longer to supply the people with straw for making bricks; let them go and gather their own straw. ⁸But require them to make the same number of bricks as before; don't reduce the quota. They are lazy; that is why they are crying out, 'Let us go and sacrifice to our God.' ⁹Make the work harder for the men so that they keep working and pay no attention to lies." ¹⁰Then the slave drivers and the foremen went out and said to the people, "This is what Pharaoh says: 'I will not give you any more straw. ¹¹Go and get your own straw wherever you can find it, but your work will not be reduced at all.'" ¹²So the people scattered all over Egypt to gather stubble to use for straw. ¹³The slave drivers kept pressing them, saying, "Complete the work required of you for each day, just as when you had straw." ¹⁴The Israelite foremen appointed by Pharaoh's slave drivers were beaten and were asked, "Why didn't you meet your quota of bricks yesterday or today, as before?"

¹⁵Then the Israelite foremen went and appealed to Pharaoh: "Why have you treated your servants this way? ¹⁶Your servants are given no straw, yet we are told, 'Make bricks!' Your servants are being beaten, but the fault is with your own people." ¹⁷Pharaoh said, "Lazy, that's what you are—lazy! That is why you keep saying, 'Let us go and sacrifice to the LORD.' ¹⁸Now get to work. You will not be given any straw, yet you must produce your full quota of bricks." ¹⁹The Israelite foremen realized they were in trouble when they were told, "You are not to reduce the number of bricks required of you for each day." ²⁰When they left Pharaoh, they found Moses and Aaron waiting to meet them, ²¹and they said, "May the LORD look upon you and judge you! You have made us a stench to Pharaoh and his officials and have put a sword in their hand to kill us."

Weekly Announcements

As we prepare our hearts and our minds for our upcoming World Missions Conference, “Gospel Hope for the Muslim World,” please consider visiting the book display in our library and picking up a recommended reading list related to the topic. Both the display and the list will be available from today through the conference, March 10-12. You can also find the full reading list, plus the schedule and information for the conference, at lmpc.org/world-missions-conference-2017.

You can now sign up to volunteer and serve our children at our summer VBS: Marketplace 2017, June 20-23. We have many different opportunities for volunteers, from teaching to crafts to drama to set-up and tear-down. To see all the volunteer opportunities and to sign up, visit lmpc.org/marketplace. If you have questions, please email greta@lmpc.org.

Please join us for a farewell celebration honoring Brynna Hansen, assistant to the high school youth pastor, tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the JHYB. We will gather together for fellowship, refreshments, singing, and worship with the high school youth group, and also pray for Brynna.

To find out more about happenings at LMPC, visit lmpc.org/news

Today at LMPC—Sunday, February 12

- Nursery 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
- Morning worship (sanctuary) 8:10, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
- Morning worship (fellowship hall) 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
- Sunday School for all ages (various locations) 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
- Youth Communicant Class (JHYB 105) 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
- Officer training class (Reception Room) 4:00 p.m.
- Middle school small groups (various homes) 4:15 p.m.
- Evening prayer (chapel) 6:00 p.m.
- Farewell celebration for Brynna Hansen (JHYB) 7:00 p.m.
- High school youth group (JHYB) 7:30 p.m.

For more events this week, visit lmpc.org/calendar or check the calendar in the hallway outside the sanctuary.

***Our mission:** glorifying God by growing in grace and giving our lives away
on the mountain, in the city, and around the world.*