

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 12, 2017 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. | *World Missions Sunday*

Where other lords beside you hold their unhindered sway,
where forces that defied you defy you still today,
with none to heed their crying for life and love and light,
unnumbered souls are dying and pass into the night.

We bear the torch that flaming, fell from the hands of those
who gave their lives proclaiming that Jesus died and rose;
ours is the same commission the same glad message ours;
fired by the same ambition to you we yield our powers.

O Father, who sustained them, O Spirit, who inspired,
Savior, whose love constrained them to toil with zeal untired,
from cowardice defend us, from lethargy awake!
Forth on your errands send us to labor for your sake.

words by Frank Houghton, 1929; tune: AURELIA

Call to confession

based on Matthew 22:37-40

Our Lord Jesus said: "‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

As God has instructed us in these great commandments, and because we have not lived in full obedience, let us now confess our sins to God.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God’s pardoning grace

Leader: How are we forgiven and declared righteous in God’s sight?

All: We are forgiven and declared righteous in God’s sight as an act of God’s free grace in which he pardons all our sins and accepts us as righteous in his sight. He does so only because he counts the righteousness of Christ as ours. All of this is received by faith alone in Christ alone.

adapted from the Westminster Shorter Catechism, question 33

* Hymn of assurance 460, vv. 1, 2, 4, 6

“Amazing Grace”

All: **Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found
was blind, but now I see.**

Women: **‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!**

Men: **Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
‘tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.**

All: **When we’ve been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we’ve no less days to sing God’s praise
than when we’ve first begun.**

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

Offertory

“Christ for the World We Sing”

Chancel Choir

Choir: Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father and the name
of the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey
all I commanded you. And lo, I am with you always,
even to the very end of the age!

(congregation to join in when directed)

Choir and congregation:



1.Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with lov - ing zeal; the
2.Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with fer - vent prayer; the
3.Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with one ac - cord; with
4.Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring, with joy - ful song; the



poor and them that mourn, the faint and o - ver borne, sin - sick and sor - ro
way - ward and the lost, by rest - less pas - sions tossed, re - deemed at count - less
us the work to share, with us re - proach to dare, with us the cross to
new - born souls whose days re - claimed from er - ror's ways, in - spired with hope and



worn, whom Christ doth heal.
cost, from dark de - spair.
bear, for Christ our Lord.
praise, to Christ be long.



Christ for the world we sing, the world to Christ we bring.

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based on Matthew 28:19-20; words by Samuel Wolcott, 1869*

* **Doxology 731**

* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Scripture reading from John 4:16-26**
p. 1652 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Kim Starke (9:30)
Carol Mutter (11:00)

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "Hope for the Muslim World: Not in This Church or in That Mosque"

Neal, keynote speaker, World Missions Conference 2017

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response

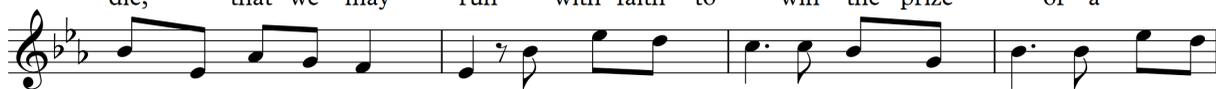
"O Church Arise"



1.O church, a - rise, and put your ar-mour on; hear the call of Christ our cap -
2.Our call to war, to love the cap-tive soul, but to rage a-gainst the cap -
3.Come see the cross, where love and mer-cy meet, as the Son of God is strick -
4.So Spi - rit come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, give_ grace for ev - 'ry hur -



tain. For now the weak can say that they are strong in the
tor; and with the sword that makes the woun-ded whole, we will
en; then see his foes lie crushed be - neath his feet, for the
dle, that we may run with faith to win the prize of a



strength that God has gi - ven. With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand a -
fight with faith and val - or. When faced with trials on ev - 'ry side, we know the
con - quer - or has ri - sen! And as the stone is rolled a - way and Christ e -
ser - vant good and faith - ful. As saints of old still line the way, re - tell - ing



gainst the de - vil's lies; an ar - my bold, whose bat - tle -
out - come is se - cure, and Christ will have the prize for
mer - ges from the grave, this vic - t'ry march con - tin - ues
tri - umphs of his grace, we hear their calls and hun - ger



cry is love, reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
which he died, an in - he - ri - tance of na - tions.
'til the day ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see him.
for the day when with Christ we stand in glo - ry.

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response**

“Threefold Amen”

* **Postlude**

“In the Cross of Christ I Glory”

arr. David M. Cherwien

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Our musicians this morning are the LMPC Bell Choir, directed by Joy Gibbons, and Nate Oster, timpani. If you are interested in joining our Sanctuary music ministry, please contact Joy Gibbons, Director of Sanctuary Worship and Music, at joy@lmpc.org.

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.

John 4:16-26

¹⁶He told her, "Go, call your husband and come back." ¹⁷"I have no husband," she replied. Jesus said to her, "You are right when you say you have no husband. ¹⁸The fact is, you have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have just said is quite true."

¹⁹"Sir," the woman said, "I can see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you Jews claim that the place where we must worship is in Jerusalem."

²¹Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. ²⁴God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." ²⁵The woman said, "I know that Messiah" (called Christ) "is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us."

²⁶Then Jesus declared, "I who speak to you am he."

Guest preacher, Neal

Neal and his wife Debbie are two of our supported missionaries serving in Central Asia. They have many years of experience serving overseas, with work projects including starting a handicraft business and a calling and career placement business. They are currently building a new team that is seeking to equip the church to do the work of the ministry, both in the capital and throughout the country in which they serve. In the past year, Neal's responsibilities have widened as he has been asked to be the International Director for all of the teams serving among Muslim communities within their organization.

Sermon Notes

“Hope for the Muslim World: Not in This Church or in That Mosque”

John 4:16-26

World Mission Conference Guest Speaking Schedule

**nursery available*

Sanctuary Services and Presentations*

Neal preaching in all services

8:10 a.m. Jerry Mattix

9:30 a.m. Ruth Ann and Norm Leduc

11:00 a.m. Tom

Fellowship Hall Services and Presentations*

Neal preaching (video)

9:30 a.m. Mohsen

11:00 a.m. Fuad

Sunday School

9:30 a.m. classes

Elementary Sunday School (children's classrooms): Ruth Ann and Norm Leduc

Combined Youth Sunday School (JHYB): Tom

Brock Class, Conference Room: Mohsen

Fireside Class, Reception Room: Fuad

Redeemer Class, Upper Room: Jerry Mattix

11:00 a.m. classes

Elementary Sunday School (children's classrooms): Fuad

Combined Youth Sunday School (JHYB): Jerry Mattix

Fellowship Class, Conference Room: Tom

Young Adults Class, Reception Room: Ruth Ann and Norm Leduc

Kingdom Class, Upper Room: Mohsen

Afternoon/Evening

Middle School Large Group with Ruth Ann and Norm Leduc

4:15 p.m. in the JHYB

Children's Banquet for pre-K through 5th grade

5:45-7:30 p.m. in the children's classrooms

Missionary Panel and Prayer with keynote speaker, Neal, and all conference guests*

5:45-7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall

High School Youth Group with Mohsen

7:30 p.m. in the JHYB

Weekly Announcements

Please join us this evening for our final conference events beginning at 5:45 p.m.: the Missionary Panel and Prayer in the fellowship hall and the Children's Banquet in the children's classrooms. During the panel we will hear again from our keynote speaker, Neal, and we will have the opportunity to participate in a panel discussion with all our missionary guests. The evening will close with a time of prayer. To submit a question for the evening panel, text MUSLIMWORLD to 22333, and then send your question to 22333. Please come and participate as we continue to learn about what God is doing in the Muslim World and encourage our partners there. Nursery will be provided.

Please sign up now if you would like to volunteer and serve our children at our summer VBS: Marketplace 2017, June 20-23. Our biggest need is for classroom mothers and fathers. The number of mothers and fathers who volunteer will determine how many children can attend Marketplace 2017, so please sign up! To see all the volunteer opportunities and to sign up, visit lmpc.org/marketplace. If you have questions, please email greta@lmpc.org.

MDO Open Registration for the 2017-18 school year will be held this Tuesday, March 14 in the Reception Room. LMPC families will be able to register from 10:00-11:00 a.m. For more information on Mother's Day Out visit lmpc.org/mdo.

Our VIP ministry is a group of mostly retired adults from LMPC and the community who meet regularly for fun and fellowship. Please join us at the Jane Harris Youth Building this Tuesday, March 14 at 10:30 a.m. for an Open House for Coffee and Conversation and to learn about upcoming VIP events.

Reminder for parents of youth: The deadline to turn in the 2017 Youth Annual Medical Release and Permission Form is this Wednesday, March 15. Our Child Protection Policy requires that we have parental permission for all our activities and events, so if you have not yet done so, please complete the form and submit it to the youth office or the church office as soon as possible. You can find the form at lmpc.org/youth.

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

IN MEMORIAM

Betsy Johnson Farmer Patton

April 12, 1942—March 5, 2017

Today at LMPC—Sunday, March 12

Nursery 8:00, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

Morning worship with guest speaker (sanctuary) 8:10, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

Morning worship with guest speaker video (fellowship hall) 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages (various locations) 9:30, 11:00 a.m.

Middle school large group (JHYB) 4:15 p.m.

Nursery (nursery area) 5:45 p.m.

Children's Missions Banquet (elementary classrooms) 5:45 p.m.

Missionary Panel and Prayer (fellowship hall) 5:45 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.*