



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 23, 2017 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

Prelude

“Christ is Arisen, Stanza I”
J. S. Bach

David Stultz, organ

Welcome and greetings

Jared Huffman, associate pastor

* **Call to worship**

taken from Psalm 95

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

All: In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

All: For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

* **Hymn of praise 302**

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”

* **Prayer of adoration**

* **Affirmation of faith**

The 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.

Call to confession

taken from Philippians 2 and Psalm 51

Leader: Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe as you hold out the word of life.

All: **Have mercy on us, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out our transgressions. Wash away all our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within us. Restore to us the joy of our salvation and grant us a willing spirit, to sustain us.**

Hymn of confession 499, v.1

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

words by Augustus Toplady, 1776

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

Romans 5:6-8

At just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

* Hymn of assurance 521

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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

Offertory

"Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated"
words by Frances R. Havergal (Gal. 2:20)
music by Henri A. Cesar Malan, arr. Jay Rouse

Chancel Choir
Anna Gibbons, violin

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take my hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love,
at the impulse of thy love.

Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for thee;
Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King,
always, only for my King.

continued

Take my love, my God, I pour at thy feet its treasure store;
Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for thee,
ever only all for thee.

* **Doxology 731**

* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Scripture reading from Exodus 17:1-7**

Jennifer West (9:30)
Sandy Gardner (11:00)

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "Grumbling Hearts Met by God's Gracious Hand"
Joe Novenson, senior teaching pastor

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response 660**

"O God, beyond All Praising"

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response**

"Threefold Amen"

Strategic planning update

Video

* **Postlude**

"Christ is Arisen, Stanza III"
J. S. Bach

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

The rosebud in the fellowship hall today is for the birth of Johnnie Mae Rustand, born to Kate and Drake Rustand on April 7.

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.

Weekly Announcements

Please join us tonight at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary for the Installation of Reverend Scott Wells to the Ministry of the Gospel with Reformed University Fellowship at Covenant College.

The LMPC Chancel Choir will be participating in Covenant College's Choral Festival along with several of Covenant's musical ensembles this Thursday, April 27 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dora Maclellan Brown Memorial Chapel. Reserved parking on the east side of campus will be served by free golf cart shuttles throughout the evening. The festival is free, and all are welcome.

There will be a called congregational meeting at the end of each worship service in the sanctuary and fellowship hall on Sunday, April 30 for the purpose of electing the nominated elders and deacons to the class of 2020.

Save the date! Marketplace 2017 registration opens on Monday, May 1. You can find more information at lmpc.org/marketplace.

Men's Steak Night is here! Thursday, May 4 will be a phenomenal night to build friendships, laugh hard, and eat red meat. Don't miss this opportunity to hang out with 10 or so guys around a grill, as you sear your steak to medium rare perfection. Of course your friends are invited, too. Just send an email to mountainmen@lmpc.org and tell us who is coming with you. We are in need of several more hosts, so please let us know if you would like to host men in your home.

One of our strategic partners, Metanoia, is hosting a job fair at Walker State Faith and Character Prison on Friday, May 5. They are looking for companies and organizations to host booths and help the prisoners understand what work might be available to them upon release and what skills and training they might need to acquire. If you are interested in participating, please contact Stephanie Young in the missions office at stephanie@lmpc.org.

We ask every single member to sign up to serve at LMPC, and we'd love regular attenders to sign up as well. We ask that each member choose at least one area you are excited about in which you can serve in the 2017-18 ministry year - whether through ushering, music, children's work, or many other possibilities for service. You can sign up at lmpc.org/volunteer-serve, or by filling out a card in the fellowship hall lobby.

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

Exodus 17:1-7

¹The whole Israelite community set out from the Desert of Sin, traveling from place to place as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²So they quarreled with Moses and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses replied, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you put the LORD to the test?" ³But the people were thirsty for water there, and they grumbled against Moses. They said, "Why did you bring us up out of Egypt to make us and our children and livestock die of thirst?" ⁴Then Moses cried out to the LORD, "What am I to do with these people? They are almost ready to stone me." ⁵The LORD answered Moses, "Walk on ahead of the people. Take with you some of the elders of Israel and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶I will stand there before you by the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it for the people to drink." So Moses did this in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the place Massah and Meribah because the Israelites quarreled and because they tested the LORD saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?"

Today at LMPC—Sunday, April 23

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.

Town hall meeting (fellowship hall) 4:00 p.m.

Middle school small groups (various locations) 4:15 p.m.

Installation Service for RUF Minister Scott Wells (sanctuary) 6:00 p.m.

Dessert for graduating high school seniors (JHYB) 7:00 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.*