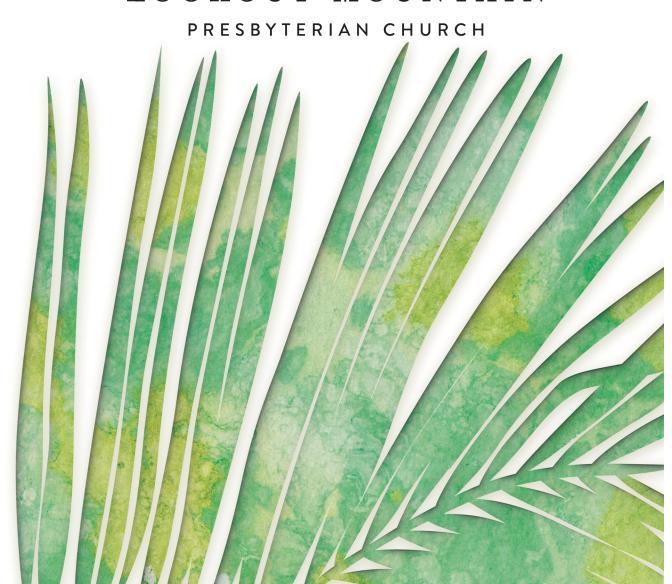


# LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN



# Order of Worship

Prelude "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" arr. Michael Burkhardt

David Stultz

Welcome and greetings

Joe Novenson, senior teaching pastor

Introit "Joyfully Sing"

Covenant Singers

Linda Spevacek

Joyfully sing alleluia glory in the highest, praising the name of God above, glory in the highest.

Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now gladly sing unto the Lord our God!

\* Call to worship

based on Zechariah 9:9 and Psalm 188:26

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!

All: Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!

Leader: Lo, your king comes to you;

All: triumphant and victorious is he,
Leader: humble and riding on a donkey,

All: on a colt, the foal of a donkey. Hosanna in the highest!

\* Processional hymn 235

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

\* Prayer of adoration

**Anthem of praise** (9:30) "Laudate Dominum"

**Covenant Singers** 

W. A. Mozart, arr. Lionel Lethbridge from Vesperae solennes de confessore, K. 339

Latin Text: English translation:

Laudate Dominum omnes gentesPraise the Lord, all nations;Laudate eum, omnes populiPraise him, all people.Quoniam confirmata estFor he has bestowedSuper nos misericordia eius,his mercy upon us.

Et veritas Domini manet in aeternum. And the truth of the Lord endures forever.

Gloria Patri et Filio et Spiritui Sancto. Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the

Holy Spirit.

Sicut erat in principio, et nunc, et semper. As it was in the beginning, is now and

forever.

Et in saecula saeculorum. World without end,

Amen. Amen.

#### Sacrament of baptism (11:00)

Tera and Hunt Davidson bringing Roman Arthur Davidson

#### Call to confession

We are not unlike the crowd that gathered that day. Jesus, our Lord, we shout hosannas to praise you. With eager hands, we place our cloaks and palms on the path before you. Yet, Lord, we confess that the mouths that seek to praise you often deny or defy you. Lord, hear us as we confess. *from The Worship Sourcebook, p.* 593

#### Prayer of confession

O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you: we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, that our hearts are in need of cleansing. Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praises and to receive us as your own. Amen.

from The Worship Sourcebook, pg. 592

# Silent prayers of confession

**Assurance of God's pardoning grace** based on Matthew 21, John 3, and Ephesians 5

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the

name of the Lord!

All: For Christ came into the world not to condemn the world, but

that the world through him should be saved.

Leader: Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children.

All: And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up

for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. Hosanna!

Amen!

#### \* Hymn of assurance 246

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

Offertory

"How Can I keep from Singing" Robert Lowry, 1826-1899; arr. Penny Downs Tullock Katie Scharff, soloist **Covenant Singers** 

My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation. I hear the real though far-off hymn that hails a new creation. Through all life's tumult, pain and strife I hear the music ringing. It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing!

What if my joys and comforts die? I know that Truth is living! What if the darkness 'round me close? Still Truth its light is giving! No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that Rock I'm clinging. Since Love is Lord of heav'n and earth, how can I keep from singing?

I lift my eyes; the clouds grow thin; I see the blue above it. And day by day this pathway smooths since first I learned to love it. The peace from Love makes fresh my heart. A song of hope is springing. All things are mine since Truth I've found. How can I keep from singing!

- \* Doxology 731
- \* Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving
- \* Scripture reading from Isaiah 52:13-53:12, p. 1145 in pew Bible

Brian Kvale (9:30) Bob Parsley (11:00)

## Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"The Suffering Servant" Brian Salter, associate pastor

## Pastoral prayer

\* Hymn of response

"Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

Hosanna, loud hosanna the little children sang; Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang. To Jesus, who had blessed them, close folded to his breast. The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best. From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd, The victory palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud. The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state, Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

"Hosanna in the highest!" That ancient song we sing, For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King. O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice, And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice.

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\* Choral benediction

"Go, My Children, With My Blessing" Welsh folk tune, arr. Michael Burkhardt

**Covenant Singers** 

Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone; waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own; I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter and Brother: go, my children, I will keep you, and give you peace.

- \* Benediction
- \* Congregational response

"Threefold Amen"

\* **Postlude** "Partita on All Glory, Laud, and Honor" arr. Michael Burkhardt

\* Congregation standing as you are able

We welcome the Covenant College Singers to our worship services today. They are directed by Kara Funke with Joy Gibbons, accompanist.

Marie Bowen Jane Metcalfe
Maria Coletti Debra Patricia
Mary Grace Donaldson Hannah Pratt
Rose Doyle Hannah Pulliam
Rachel Kelly Manda Rabara
Abbs Kern Katie Scharff

#### Isaiah 52:13-53:12

<sup>13</sup>See, my servant will act wisely; he will be raised and lifted up and highly exalted. <sup>14</sup>Just as there were many who were appalled at him—his appearance was so disfigured beyond that of any man and his form marred beyond human likeness—<sup>15</sup>so will he sprinkle many nations, and kings will shut their mouths because of him. For what they were not told, they will see, and what they have not heard, they will understand.

<sup>1</sup>Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed? <sup>2</sup>He grew up before him like a tender shoot, and like a root out of dry ground. He had no beauty or majesty to attract us to him, nothing in his appearance that we should desire him. <sup>3</sup>He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows, and familiar with suffering. Like one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. 4Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. <sup>5</sup>But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. <sup>7</sup>He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. <sup>8</sup>By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken. He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth. <sup>10</sup>Yet it was the LORD's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the LORD makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the LORD will prosper in his hand. 11 After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light of life and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. <sup>12</sup>Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

## **Sermon Notes**

"The Suffering Servant" *Isaiah 52:13-53:12* 

| Question: How do those who are guilty receive God's grace?   |
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| It is only through the Suffering Servant, Jesus, who is our: |

1. perfect substitute and sacrifice (ch. 53, vv.1-9)

2. victorious Savior and King (ch. 52, vv. 13-15, ch. 53, vv. 10-12)



**Celebrating the baptism** of Jay William Brooks III at the 11:00 a.m. service in the fellowship hall today are his parents, Meredith and Jay Brooks, Jr. and his grandparents, Caroline and Hugh Morrow and Abbie and Jay Brooks, Sr. and his great-grandmother, Irene Stone.

**Celebrating the baptism** of Roman Arthur Davidson at the 11:00 a.m. service in the sanctuary today are his parents, Tera and Hunt Davidson and his grandparents, Amanda and Greg Davidson.

#### **NEW MEMBERS JOINING TODAY**

In the chapel at 6:00 p.m.: Blaire Phillips - coming to be baptized Seth Phillips

**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.

IN MEMORIAM

Jane Elizabeth Kimball

October 2, 1929—April 3, 2017

#### **Holy Week Services**

| Maundy Thursday Communion Service                                    | 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall* |
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| Good Friday Tenebrae Service   | 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary*       |
| Easter Sunrise Service   | 7:15 a.m. at Point Park           |
| Easter Pancake Breakfastbenefitting high school Uganda missions trip | 7:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall  |
| *indicates nursery available   |                                   |

# **Finance Update**

**2017 GIVING THROUGH 3/31 2017 Annual Budget:** \$4,503,000 **2017 Giving YTD:** \$1,150,000

Remaining Gifts Needed: \$3,353,000 (74% of budget)

# 2017 PLEDGING THROUGH 3/31

**2017 Annual Budget:** 4,503,000

**2017 Pledged Amount:** 3,566,000 (79%)

Thank you to all who have sent in their giving plans. It's not too late to pledge for 2017. You can submit your giving plan online at lmpc.org/giving-2017 or by calling David Fowler at the church office.

# **Volunteer Opportunity**

Volunteers are needed for Hedgehog Grove on Friday, April 21 from 5:15-9:00 p.m. Hedgehog Grove is a ministry which provides an evening of fun and care for children with special needs and their siblings. If you are interested in preparing food dishes or serving as a buddy to a child with special needs or their sibling, please contact Emily Brown at emily@lmpc.org.

## TODAY AT LMPC—Sunday, April 9

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

Nursery 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.

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

Evening prayer (chapel) 6:00 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.