



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 25, 2017 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

Prelude “I Sing the Almighty Power of God/All Things Bright and Beautiful”
Caroline Drexler, violin; Joy Gibbons, piano

Welcome and greetings Brian Salter, associate pastor

Ministry highlight Widows Harvest Ministries

* **Call to worship** based on Psalm 33 and Psalm 19

Leader: Sing joyfully to the LORD! Sing to him a new song. For the Word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does.

All: **The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love. By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth. Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the people of the world revere him. For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.**

Leader: The eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love.

All: **May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be pleasing in your sight, O LORD, our Rock and our Redeemer.**

* **Hymn of praise 97** “We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator”

* **Prayer of adoration**

Call to confession James 1:23-26

Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it—he will be blessed in what he does. If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless.

Corporate prayer of confession

Leader: Heavenly Father, you tell us in your Word that “out of the overflow of the heart, the mouth speaks.” You tell us that we will have to “give an account on the day of judgment for every careless word.” (Luke 6:45 and Mathew 12:36)

All: We confess that we resist looking inward and want to blame all of our careless words on our circumstances and not on the condition of our hearts.

Leader: You also tell us that among believers there should not be “obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking...but rather thanksgiving.” (Ephesians 5:4)

All: We confess that we all too often indulge in foolish and coarse language, and that we all too seldom express thanksgiving.

Leader: You also tell us that “no unwholesome talk should come out of our mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit all who listen.” You tell us that our conversation should always be “full of grace and seasoned with salt.” (Ephesians 4:29 and Colossians 4:6a)

All: We confess that we often allow much unwholesome talk to come from our mouths and pay very little attention to building up others with our words. Forgive us, fill our words with grace, and realign our hearts and speech so that others might indeed be blessed by our words.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God’s pardoning grace

based on 2 Corinthians 5 and Zephaniah 3

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. Sing, O Daughter of Zion; shout aloud, O Israel! Be glad and rejoice with all your heart, O Daughter of Jerusalem! The LORD has taken away our punishment. The LORD our God is with us, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in us, he will quiet us with his love, he will rejoice over us with singing.

* Hymn of assurance 164, vv. 1, 4, 6

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

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

Offertory

“Fairest Lord Jesus”

* **Doxology 731**

* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Scripture reading from James 3:1-12**
p. 1883 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Mary Kaufmann (9:30)
Laura Broussard (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "The Power of Our Words"
Jared Huffman, associate pastor

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response 644**, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5 "May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response** "Threefold Amen"

* **Postlude** "The Heavens Declare Thy Glory"

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

The rosebud in the sanctuary today is for the birth of Madeline Kay Thatcher, born to Elizabeth and Carter Thatcher on June 16.

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

JOIN US TONIGHT FOR THE BEGINNING OF A SUMMER LECTURE SERIES on “Racial Reconciliation and Jesus” with Karen and Carl Ellis at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel. The lecture will be followed by a question and answer time. No nursery will be available. All are welcome!

IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN THE WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY, which meets at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesdays in the Reception Room. We are studying the book *The Envy of Eve* together and discussing chapters 3 and 4 this Wednesday, June 28. Please join us even if you missed the first study or can't attend all of them.

NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 2, SUPPORTED MISSIONARIES LYDIA AND ROBBIE SWEET WILL BE SPEAKING briefly just prior to the fellowship hall services and giving a fuller report at evening prayer. Please join us to hear an update from the Sweets on their work in Scotland.

SAVE THE DATE FOR COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT on Friday, August 11 at the Commons, sponsored by Love Lookout. Activities will begin at 6:30 p.m., with the movie beginning around 8:45 p.m. when the sun sets. Please bring picnic blankets, chairs, food, and beverages to enjoy. Food trucks will be on hand, so please be sure to bring cash as well!

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

James 3:1-12

¹Not many of you should presume to be teachers, my brothers, because you know that we who teach will be judged more strictly. ²We all stumble in many ways. If anyone is never at fault in what he says, he is a perfect man, able to keep his whole body in check. ³When we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we can turn the whole animal. ⁴Or take ships as an example. Although they are so large and are driven by strong winds, they are steered by a very small rudder wherever the pilot wants to go. ⁵Likewise the tongue is a small part of the body, but it makes great boasts. Consider what a great forest is set on fire by a small spark. ⁶The tongue also is a fire, a world of evil among the parts of the body. It corrupts the whole person, sets the whole course of his life on fire, and is itself set on fire by hell. ⁷All kinds of animals, birds, reptiles and creatures of the sea are being tamed and have been tamed by man, ⁸but no man can tame the tongue. It is a restless evil, full of deadly poison. ⁹With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in God's likeness. ¹⁰Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brothers, this should not be. ¹¹Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? ¹²My brothers, can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water.

**MEMBERS & VISITORS -
PLEASE REACH OUT TO US!**

NAME _____

I WOULD LIKE TO:

- Speak to a pastor
- Speak to someone in the church office
- Receive our weekly news email

PLEASE CONTACT ME ABOUT:

- Serving at LMPC
- Becoming a member at LMPC
- Joining a small group
- Joining a Bible study
 - men's women's
- Prayer opportunities

If you are a first-time or repeat visitor, please fill out your information on the other side of this card so we can follow up with you.

**PRAYER REQUESTS &
COMMENTS**

I would like to speak with someone about the prayer request or other concern. Please contact me at:

PHONE _____ DAY EVENING

Please deposit this card in the offering plate as it comes by.

WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE TODAY!

We know it can be hard to connect with a new church. We want to help in any way we can. Feel free to fill out your information on this tear-off card and place it in the offering plate. We will follow up with you about next steps. We are here to serve you!

I AM A:

- First time visitor
- Repeat visitor

NAME

SPOUSE

CHILDREN

ADDRESS

HOME PHONE

CELL

EMAIL

SPOUSE CELL

SPOUSE EMAIL

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, June 25

8:10 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary only</i>
8:45 a.m.	Women's Summer Ensemble rehearsal	<i>Choir Room</i>
9:30 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
9:30 a.m.	Summer Adult Sunday School	<i>Conference Room</i>
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
4:00 p.m.	Middle school summer Bible study	<i>JHYB</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer <i>Karen and Carl Ellis lecture series</i>	<i>chapel</i>
7:30 p.m.	High school summer youth group	<i>JHYB</i>

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.

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Worship services with Communion are held on the first Sunday of every month in the morning services and in lieu of evening prayer on the third Sunday of every month.