



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 17, 2017 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

Prelude

“There Is a Balm in Gilead”
arr. Joy Gibbons

Welcome and greetings

Derek Halvorson, President, Covenant College

* Call to worship

taken from Psalm 86 and Psalm 47

Leader: There is none like you, O LORD, no deeds can compare with yours.

All: All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O LORD; they will bring glory to your name.

Leader: For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.

All: How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!

* Hymn of praise 7

“From All That Dwell below the Skies”

* 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

based on Psalm 51 and Micah 6

Leader: Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.

All: We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Hymn of confession 494

“Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive”

Verses 1 and 2: choir only

Verses 3 and 4: choir and congregation

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God’s pardoning grace

taken from 2 Chronicles 7 and Hosea 14

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin. I will heal their waywardness and love them freely.

* **Hymn of assurance 679**

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

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

Offertory

“Healer of My Soul”

Chancel Choir

John Michael Talbot

Healer of my soul, keep me at evening.
Keep me at morning, keep me at noon,
healer of my soul.

Keeper of my soul, on rough course faring,
Help and safeguard my means this night,
keeper of my soul.

I am tired, astray and stumbling.
Shield my soul from the snare of sin.

* **Doxology 731**

* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Scripture reading from Mark 1:29-45**
p. 1553 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Dan Wykoff (9:30)
Hunt Davidson (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 Kingdom Advances"
Joe Novenson, senior teaching pastor

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response** "Mighty Lord, Extend Thy Kingdom"

Mighty Lord, extend thy kingdom, be the truth with triumph crowned;
let the lands that sit in darkness hear the glorious gospel sound,
from our borders, from our borders to the world's remotest bound.
To the world's remotest bound.

By thine arm, eternal Father, scatter far the shades of night;
let the great Immanuel's Kingdom open like the morning light:
let all barriers, let all barriers, yield before thy heavenly might.
Yield before thy heavenly might.

Come, in all thy Spirit's power; come, thy reign on earth restore;
in thy strength ride forth and conquer, still advancing more and more,
till all people, till all people, shall thy holy name adore.
Shall thy holy name adore.

words by Joseph Cottle, 1770-1853; CWM RHONDDA

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response**

"Threefold Amen"

* **Postlude** "The Heavens Declare Thy Glory"
J. S. Bach

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – director, organ
Lansing Hamilton – piano

Hannah Harris – flute

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUILD-A-BAG UPDATE: With your help, we collected 292 bags of food for the Chattanooga Salvation Army, exceeding our goal by 42 bags. This amounted to a total of 6,270 lbs of food and was our largest collection ever. Thank you to everyone who participated!

OFFICER NOMINATIONS have begun. Members should have received your Step One letters in the mail this past week. You can return your ballot to the church office, or you can complete your ballot online at lmpc.org/nominations. Please pray about whom you might recommend to be nominated, as this is a crucial element of your membership at LMPC. The deadline for nominations this year is Sunday, October 1.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR OUR NEXT HEDGEHOG GROVE EVENT this Friday, September 22, from 5:15-9:00 p.m. Opportunities include preparing food dishes or serving as a buddy to a child with special needs or their sibling. If you are interested, please contact Emily Brown at emily@lmpc.org.

PLEASE JOIN US ON OUR DAY OF PRAYER, Wednesday, September 27. We will hold three different prayer gatherings in the LMPC chapel that day: 7:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 6:00 p.m. Don't miss this opportunity to gather as a community to pray together.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO REGISTER YOUR CHILD (ages 4-10) for a music workshop with Kristyn Getty on Saturday, October 28, there is still time do so. Please contact Joy Gibbons at joy@lmpc.org. More information on this opportunity can be found in the choir room.

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

Usher captains for this week:

Warren Cole – 9:30

Charley Stephens – 11:00

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.

Mark 1:29-45

²⁹As soon as they left the synagogue, they went with James and John to the home of Simon and Andrew. ³⁰Simon’s mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told Jesus about her. ³¹So he went to her, took her hand and helped her up. The fever left her and she began to wait on them. ³²That evening after sunset the people brought to Jesus all the sick and demon-possessed. ³³The whole town gathered at the door, ³⁴and Jesus healed many who had various diseases. He also drove out many demons, but he would not let the demons speak because they knew who he was. ³⁵Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. ³⁶Simon and his companions went to look for him, ³⁷and when they found him, they exclaimed: “Everyone is looking for you!” ³⁸Jesus replied, “Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come.” ³⁹So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons. ⁴⁰A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, “If you are willing, you can make me clean.” ⁴¹Filled with compassion, Jesus reached out his hand and touched the man. “I am willing,” he said. “Be clean!” ⁴²Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cured. ⁴³Jesus sent him away at once with a strong warning: ⁴⁴“See that you don’t tell this to anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest and offer the sacrifices that Moses commanded for your cleansing, as a testimony to them.” ⁴⁵Instead he went out and began to talk freely, spreading the news. As a result, Jesus could no longer enter a town openly but stayed outside in lonely places. Yet the people still came to him from everywhere.

**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**

Include request in the Prayer List?

- Yes No

- 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 (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

CHILDREN (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

ADDRESS

HOME PHONE

CELL

EMAIL

SPOUSE CELL

SPOUSE EMAIL

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, September 17

8:10 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary only</i>
9:30 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages	<i>various locations</i>
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages	<i>various locations</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening worship with Communion	<i>fellowship hall</i>

Nursery is available at all morning services.

For more events this week, visit lmpc.org/calendar.

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.