



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 24, 2017 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

Welcome and greetings

Joe Donnovin, ruling elder

* Call to worship

based on Psalm 103 and Revelation 5

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

All: Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits—

Leader: who forgives all our sins and heals all our diseases, who redeems our lives from the pit and crowns us with love and compassion.

All: Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!

* Hymn of praise

“How Firm a Foundation”

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I’ll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.”

“The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

from Rippon’s Selection of Hymns, 1787

* Prayer of adoration

Affirmation of faith

based on Philippians 2:6-11

Leader: What do the Scriptures teach us about Jesus Christ?

All: That he, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Call to confession

Luke 18:10-14

Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: “God, I thank you that I am not like other men—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.” But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, “God, have mercy on me, a sinner.” I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.

Hymn of confession

“Come, Ye Sinners”

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and pow’r:
he is able, he is able, he is willing; doubt no more;
he is able, he is able, he is willing; doubt no more.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him;
this he gives you, this he gives you; ‘tis the Spirit’s rising beam;
this he gives you, this he gives you; ‘tis the Spirit’s rising beam.

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden, lost and ruined by the fall;
if you tarry till you’re better, you will never come at all:
not the righteous, not the righteous—sinners Jesus came to save;
not the righteous, not the righteous—sinners Jesus came to save.

words by Joseph Hart, 1759

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

taken from 1 Timothy 1 and 1 Peter 2

Here is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed.

* Hymn of assurance "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed;
I trust the ever living One, his wounds for me shall plead.

Refrain: I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
it is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

My heart is leaning on the Word, the living Word of God:
salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through his blood. *Refrain*

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost he came to save;
for me his precious blood he shed, for me his life he gave. *Refrain*
words by Lidie Edmunds, 1891

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

Offertory hymn

"Speak, O Lord"

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
to receive the food of your Holy Word.
Take your truth, plant it deep in us;
shape and fashion us in your likeness;
that the light of Christ might be seen today
in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
all your purposes for your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,
holy reverence, true humility;
test our thoughts and our attitudes
in the radiance of your purity.
Cause our faith to rise; cause our eyes to see
your majestic love and authority.
Words of pow'r that can never fail—
let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
help us grasp the heights of your plans for us—
truths unchanged from the dawn of time
that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on your promises,
and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built
and the earth is filled with your glory.

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* **Scripture reading from Mark 2:1-12**
text printed in the bulletin

Stephen Barnes (9:30)
Barbara Wingard (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 Change the King Brings"
Jared Huffman, associate pastor

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response** "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel's veins;
and sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains:
lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
and sinners plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream your flowing wounds supply,
redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die:
and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing your pow'r to save,
when this poor lisp'ing, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave:
lies silent in the grave, lies silent in the grave;
when this poor lisp'ing, stamm'ring tongue lies silent in the grave.

Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood shall never lose its pow'r,
till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more:
be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more;
till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.

words by William Cowper, 1771

* **Benediction**

* **Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

* **Postlude**

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this week:

David Henry – guitar, vocalist
Hannah Lutz – viola
Meredith Lee – cello

John Reeder – piano
Elena Sneller – vocalist
Emmie Thompson – vocalist

Usher captains for this week:

Zach Walley – 9:30

Peter Lindquist – 11:00

The rosebuds in the fellowship hall today are for the births of Grigsby Lee Hildebrand, born to Ellie and Jay Hildebrand, and Thaddeus Edward Stevens, born to Sarah and James Stevens, both on September 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.

CHILDREN ARE WELCOME to participate in all worship services, no matter the age of the child. Worship sheets and crayons are available in the fellowship hall lobby to help children interact with the sermon.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE JOIN US ON OUR DAY OF PRAYER this 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.

OFFICER NOMINATIONS HAVE BEGUN. You can return your ballot to the church office, or you can complete your ballot online at lmpc.org/nominations. As a member, participating in officer nominations and elections is one of the most important ways that you can support the work of LMPC. The deadline for nominations this year is Sunday, October 1.

CALLING ALL RINGERS! Seasonal handbells will begin rehearsals on Monday, October 9. We will meet weekly in the choir room from 6:00-7:30 p.m. to prepare for upcoming sanctuary services. Interested ringers who read music: sign up before October 1 by emailing joy@lmpc.org.

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

Mark 2:1-12

¹A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. ²So many gathered that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them. ³Some men came, bringing to him a paralytic, carried by four of them. ⁴Since they could not get him to Jesus because of the crowd, they made an opening in the roof above Jesus and, after digging through it, lowered the mat the paralyzed man was lying on. ⁵When Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." ⁶Now some teachers of the law were sitting there, thinking to themselves, ⁷"Why does this fellow talk like that? He's blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" ⁸Immediately Jesus knew in his spirit that this was what they were thinking in their hearts, and he said to them, "Why are you thinking these things? ⁹Which is easier: to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Get up, take your mat and walk'? ¹⁰But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins . . ." He said to the paralytic, ¹¹"I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home." ¹²He got up, took his mat and walked out in full view of them all. This amazed everyone and they praised God, saying, "We have never seen anything like this!"

SERMON NOTES

“The Changes the King Brings”

Mark 2:1-12

**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 24

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>
4:00 p.m.	First middle school small groups	<i>various homes</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer <i>with report from Daniel Watts, Every Generation Ministries</i>	<i>chapel</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.