



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 7, 2018 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

# Order of Worship

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Welcome and greetings

Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

\* Call to worship

taken from Psalm 146

Leader: Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

**All: I will praise the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live.**

Leader: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, the maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—the LORD, who remains faithful forever. He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

**All: The LORD sets prisoners free, the LORD gives sight to the blind, the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down, the LORD loves the righteous.**

Leader: The LORD watches over the alien and sustains the fatherless and the widow, but he frustrates the ways of the wicked.

**All: The LORD reigns forever—for all generations. Praise the LORD.**

\* Hymn of praise

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,  
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

He breaks the power of reigning sin, he sets the pris’ner free;  
his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks, and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;  
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe.

*words by Charles Wesley, 1739*

\* Prayer of adoration

## 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 5:1-20

*text printed in the bulletin*

Cy Huffman (9:30)

Merrile Stroud (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 Jesus over Evil"

Brian Salter, associate pastor

### Pastoral prayer

## **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

*Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians, previously admitted to the table of the Lord by the elders of this or any Gospel proclaiming church to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Come with joy as you actively trust in Christ, willingly forsake sin, and have sought reconciliation in all relationships.*

### **Hymn of confession**

“Depth of Mercy”

Depth of mercy! Can there be mercy reaching even me?  
God the Just, his wrath forbears, me the chief of sinners spares.  
So many times my heart has strayed from his kind and perfect ways,  
making clear my desperate need for his blood poured out for me.

Give me grace, Lord, let me own all the wrongs that I have done.  
Let me now my sins deplore, look to you and sin no more.  
There, for me, the Savior stands holding forth his wounded hands,  
scars which ever cry for me; once condemned but now set free.

*words by Charles Wesley, 1740*

### **Silent prayers of confession**

#### **Assurance of God's pardoning grace**

based on I John 3 and Ephesians 2

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! For because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions. For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

### **Words of institution**

### **Prayer of consecration**

### **Distribution of the elements**

Songs for meditation

“My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness”

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who bore my pain;  
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again;  
who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in his light  
and wrote his law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who walks beside;  
who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly;  
whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take,  
sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who reigns above,  
whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love.  
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King;  
so I will give my life, my all, to love and follow him.

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### "Behold the Lamb"

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us; and we remember  
the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice  
as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you, eat and remember  
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice  
as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you, drink and remember  
he drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.  
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice  
as a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond, and to remember  
our call to follow in the steps of Christ as his body here on earth.  
As we share in his suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

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## Prayer of thanksgiving

### \* Hymn of praise

### "I Will Glory in My Redeemer"

I will glory in my Redeemer, whose priceless blood has ransomed me.  
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails, and hung him on that judgment tree.  
I will glory in my Redeemer, who crushed the power of sin and death.  
My only Savior before the holy Judge: the Lamb who is my righteousness;  
the Lamb who is my righteousness.

*continued*

I will glory in my Redeemer, my life he bought, my love he owns.  
I have no longings for another, I'm satisfied in him alone.  
I will glory in my Redeemer; his faithfulness my standing place.  
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, my feet are firm, held by his grace;  
my feet are firm, held by his grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer, who carries me on eagles' wings.  
He crowns my life with loving kindness; his triumph song I'll ever sing.  
I will glory in my Redeemer, who waits for me at gates of gold,  
and when he calls me it will be paradise, his face forever to behold;  
his face forever to behold.

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\* **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*

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**Musicians for this week:**

**Grady Dickinson** – alto saxophone

**Kara Funke** – piano

**David Henry** – guitar, vocalist

**Hannah Lutz** – viola

**Hallie Blair Quatro** – vocalist

**Jonathan VanderHart** – vocalist

**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Volunteers are needed for our next Hedgehog Grove event on Friday, January 19 from 5:15 - 9:00 p.m. Hedgehog Grove is a ministry that 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](mailto:emily@lmpc.org).

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE AMOUNT GIVEN DURING THE CHRISTMAS EVE OFFERING** toward our Mercy Fund was \$14,415. This is a large increase over previous years. We are grateful to God for this wonderful response to help this important ministry of our church.

**BEGINNING JANUARY 14, WE WILL OFFER OUR ANNUAL COMMICANT CLASS** for youth interested in joining the church. For more information and to register, please email [jessica@lmpc.org](mailto:jessica@lmpc.org) with the name, age, and grade of the student attending the class. **The final day to sign up is today, January 7.**

**ALL ARE INVITED TO A SEMINAR** on "Digital Discipleship: Loving and Leading Our Children in an Age of Technology" this Thursday, January 11 at 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. The presentation will be led by Brian Salter and Aaron Tolson. We will have time for questions and provide a take-home resource. Please join us to learn more about this timely topic.

**THE LMPC HIGH SCHOOL SALT AND LIGHT RETREAT** will begin this Wednesday, January 10 and run through Sunday, January 14. Jonathan Johnson from Church of the First Born will be the speaker. Please visit [lmpc.org/youth](http://lmpc.org/youth) for detailed information on the schedule and locations.

**INTERESTED IN JOINING LMPC?** The next Intro to LMPC class will be held Friday evening, Saturday morning, and during Sunday School, January 19-21. This is for anyone who is interested in joining LMPC or learning more about what we believe. To sign up, please email [julie@lmpc.org](mailto:julie@lmpc.org) or call 423-424-5973 by this Friday, January 12. **Please note:** childcare will be available only on Sunday morning.

**DIVORCE CARE** is a divorce recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce. This ministry is open to all members and friends of LMPC. The winter/spring session will begin with orientation on Tuesday, January 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the JHYB and will run until May 8. For more information, please contact Leon Sulser at [leonsulser@gmail.com](mailto:leonsulser@gmail.com).

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR "GETTING TO THE HEART OF PARENTING,"** a five-week parenting seminar on Wednesday evenings, January 17-February 14. During these five weeks, Wednesday night dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m., with children's and nursery programs beginning at 5:55 p.m. Adults will meet in the Upper Room at 6:00 p.m. to watch two 25-minute DVDs by Paul Tripp. All are invited!

**WE WILL HOLD WINTER SUPPERS FOR ALL WOMEN** on Thursday, February 1. The suppers will again be in women's homes. You can volunteer to be a host, or you can just attend and be assigned to a home the week of the event. All adult women are welcome, and each supper will include 8-12 women of all generations. You can sign up by emailing [women@lmpc.org](mailto:women@lmpc.org).

*To find out more about happenings at LMPC, visit [lmpc.org/news](http://lmpc.org/news)*

## Mark 5:1-20

<sup>1</sup>They went across the lake to the region of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup>When Jesus got out of the boat, a man with an evil spirit came from the tombs to meet him. <sup>3</sup>This man lived in the tombs, and no one could bind him any more, not even with a chain. <sup>4</sup>For he had often been chained hand and foot, but he tore the chains apart and broke the irons on his feet. No one was strong enough to subdue him. <sup>5</sup>Night and day among the tombs and in the hills he would cry out and cut himself with stones.

<sup>6</sup>When he saw Jesus from a distance, he ran and fell on his knees in front of him. <sup>7</sup>He shouted at the top of his voice, "What do you want with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? Swear to God that you won't torture me!" <sup>8</sup>For Jesus had said to him, "Come out of this man, you evil spirit!" <sup>9</sup>Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" "My name is Legion," he replied, "for we are many." <sup>10</sup>And he begged Jesus again and again not to send them out of the area. <sup>11</sup>A large herd of pigs was feeding on the nearby hillside. <sup>12</sup>The demons begged Jesus, "Send us among the pigs; allow us to go into them." <sup>13</sup>He gave them permission, and the evil spirits came out and went into the pigs. The herd, about two thousand in number, rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned.

<sup>14</sup>Those tending the pigs ran off and reported this in the town and countryside, and the people went out to see what had happened. <sup>15</sup>When they came to Jesus, they saw the man who had been possessed by the legion of demons, sitting there, dressed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. <sup>16</sup>Those who had seen it told the people what had happened to the demon-possessed man—and told about the pigs as well. <sup>17</sup>Then the people began to plead with Jesus to leave their region.

<sup>18</sup>As Jesus was getting into the boat, the man who had been demon-possessed begged to go with him. <sup>19</sup>Jesus did not let him, but said, "Go home to your family and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." <sup>20</sup>So the man went away and began to tell in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him. And all the people were amazed.



**SERMON NOTES**

“The Power of Jesus over Evil”

*Mark 5:1-20*

# MEMBERS & VISITORS - PLEASE REACH OUT TO US!

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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

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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:

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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, January 7*

8:10 a.m.	Worship service with Communion	<i>sanctuary only</i>
9:30 a.m.	Worship service with Communion	<i>sanctuary &amp; fellowship hall</i>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages	<i>various locations</i>
10:30 a.m.	Elders are available to pray for your needs	<i>Joe Novenson's office</i>
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with Communion	<i>sanctuary &amp; fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages	<i>various locations</i>
4:00 p.m.	Officer training class	<i>Reception Room</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer with Missionary Report <i>from John and Kathy Lesondak</i>	<i>chapel</i>

### **Nursery is available at all morning services.**

Children of any age are welcome to participate in worship services. Crayons and activity sheets relevant to today's sermon are available in the fellowship hall lobby.

*For more events this week, visit [lmpc.org/calendar](http://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.