



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 14, 2018 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

Order of Worship

Welcome and greetings

Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

* Call to worship

based on Psalms 33 and 103

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.

Leader: Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the people of the world revere him.

All: For he spoke and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm. The plans of the LORD stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations. Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

* Hymn of praise

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.
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Fatherlike he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, widely as his mercy goes.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, widely as his mercy goes.

Angels help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.
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words by Henry Lyte, 1834

* Prayer of adoration

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

taken from Proverbs 28 and Hebrews 4

He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy. Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.

Hymn of confession (11:00)

“Jesus Paid It All”

I hear the Savior say, “Your strength indeed is small,
child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all.”

Refrain: Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;
sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone,
can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone. *Refrain*

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete,
“Jesus died my soul to save,” my lips shall still repeat. *Refrain*

words by Elvina M. Hal, 1865

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

taken from Romans 8

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death. For what the law was powerless to do in that it was weakened by the sinful nature, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful man to be a sin offering.

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For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

* **Hymn of assurance** “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.

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

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

Offertory hymn “Dear Refuge of My Weary Soul”

Dear refuge of my weary soul, on thee when sorrows rise,
on thee when waves of trouble roll, my fainting hope relies.
To thee I tell each rising grief, for thou alone canst heal.
Thy word can bring a sweet relief for every pain I feel.

Hast thou not bid me seek thy face, and shall I seek in vain?
And can the ear of sovereign grace be deaf when I complain?
No, still the ear of sovereign grace attends the mourner’s prayer;
O may I ever find access to breathe my sorrows there.

Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat.
With humble hope attend thy will, and wait beneath thy feet.
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Anne Steele, 1716-1778

* **Scripture reading from Mark 5:21-43**

text printed in the bulletin

Sarah Huffines (9:30)

Rebekah Risley (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 Compassionate and Powerful King"

Joe Novenson, senior teaching pastor

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response**

"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.

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;
a sinful soul I come to him, he'll never cast me out. *Refrain*

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

* **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

Maria Hammond – vocalist

Hannah Lutz – viola

Sam Miller – violin

John Reeder – piano

Emmie Thompson – vocalist

Celebrating the baptism of Connor Gregory Shimmel at the 9:30 a.m. service in the fellowship hall today are his parents, Jennifer and Sean Shimmel, and his siblings: Jamison, Cassandra, and Chandler. Connor is also taking his membership vows today.

Celebrating the baptism of Magnolia Bing Whittaker at the 9:30 a.m. service in the sanctuary today are her parents, Lindsey and Robert Whittaker, and her grandparents, Linda and Tom Whittaker and Brandy Rutherford.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Volunteers are needed for our next Hedgehog Grove event this Friday, January 19 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.

SPECIAL WELCOME

We welcome to the 11:00 a.m. fellowship hall service a group from First Presbyterian Church, Jackson, Mississippi, who are worshipping with us this morning as a part of their senior high retreat.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 this 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.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP, including dinner, parenting class, and children's clubs resumes this week. You can find the upcoming menu and schedule at lmpc.org/wednesday.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR "GETTING TO THE HEART OF PARENTING," a five-week parenting seminar beginning this week 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!

ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE INVITED FOR LUNCH at the Jane Harris Youth Building next Sunday, January 21, at 12:30 p.m. Please join us!

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.

PARENTS OF MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH: please submit an updated 2018 Medical Release and Permission Form for your student, along with a copy of the front and back of your medical insurance card, to the youth office or church office as soon as possible. Once you submit the form, it will cover all youth events for the year. Your prompt attention to this matter will help us all as 2018 begins. You can download the form at lmpc.org/youth.

SAVE THE DATE! Our annual World Missions Conference will take place March 16-18, 2018. The theme is "Continent of Contrasts: Africa's Awakening." Please make plans to join us.

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

Mark 5:21-43

²¹When Jesus had again crossed over by boat to the other side of the lake, a large crowd gathered around him while he was by the lake. ²²Then one of the synagogue rulers, named Jairus, came there. Seeing Jesus, he fell at his feet ²³and pleaded earnestly with him, "My little daughter is dying. Please come and put your hands on her so that she will be healed and live." ²⁴So Jesus went with him. A large crowd followed and pressed around him. ²⁵And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years. ²⁶She had suffered a great deal under the care of many doctors and had spent all she had, yet instead of getting better she grew worse. ²⁷When she heard about Jesus, she came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ²⁸because she thought, "If I just touch his clothes, I will be healed." ²⁹Immediately her bleeding stopped and she felt in her body that she was freed from her suffering. ³⁰At once Jesus realized that power had gone out from him. He turned around in the crowd and asked, "Who touched my clothes?" ³¹"You see the people crowding against you," his disciples answered, "and yet you can ask, 'Who touched me?'" ³²But Jesus kept looking around to see who had done it. ³³Then the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came and fell at his feet and, trembling with fear, told him the whole truth. ³⁴He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has healed you. Go in peace and be freed from your suffering."

³⁵While Jesus was still speaking, some men came from the house of Jairus, the synagogue ruler. "Your daughter is dead," they said. "Why bother the teacher any more?" ³⁶Ignoring what they said, Jesus told the synagogue ruler, "Don't be afraid; just believe." ³⁷He did not let anyone follow him except Peter, James and John the brother of James. ³⁸When they came to the home of the synagogue ruler, Jesus saw a commotion, with people crying and wailing loudly. ³⁹He went in and said to them, "Why all this commotion and wailing? The child is not dead but asleep." ⁴⁰But they laughed at him. After he put them all out, he took the child's father and mother and the disciples who were with him, and went in where the child was. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha koum!" (which means, "Little girl, I say to you, get up!"). ⁴²Immediately the girl stood up and walked around (she was twelve years old). At this they were completely astonished. ⁴³He gave strict orders not to let anyone know about this, and told them to give her something to eat.

SERMON NOTES

“The Compassionate and Powerful King”

Matthew 5:21-43

FINANCE UPDATE

2017 GIVING UPDATE

Praise God for his abundant provisions through his people at LMPC. We had a budget surplus of approximately \$170,000, which will be used for a variety of needs on the mountain, in the city, and around the world.

2018 PLEDGING UPDATE

\$3.052 million (65.7% of the budget) has been pledged so far. As of January 9, 118 families who pledged in 2017 have not yet pledged in 2018, representing over \$700,000. If you have not yet done so, please fill out a giving plan card and return it to the church office, or send it in online at lmpc.org/giving-2018.

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, January 14

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>
9:30 a.m.	Communicant class	<i>JHYB 109</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	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages	<i>various locations</i>
11:00 a.m.	Communicant class	<i>JHYB 109</i>
4:00 p.m.	Officer training class	<i>Reception Room</i>
4:15 p.m.	Middle school small groups	<i>JHYB</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer with Missionary Prayer <i>and short term commissioning of Diane Reed and Penny Clark</i>	<i>chapel</i>
7:30 p.m.	High school Salt & Light	<i>JHYB</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.

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.