



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 9, 2023 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO LMPC! *We're so glad you are with us today. Please use the welcome card from the pew rack in front of you to share important information with us; an online form is available by scanning the QR code on the back of the bulletin. As we come together to worship the living God, we ask that you **silence all communication devices and refrain from bringing beverages into worship** so that we might, in joyful reverence, give our full attention to praising and honoring our God.*

CHILDCARE: *Children of any age are welcome in our worship services. If you desire to use our nursery for your children ages 0-3, please see one of our ushers for directions. The ushers can also point you to the crayons and activity sheets relevant to today's sermon that are provided for children each week.*

** Congregation standing as you are able*

Order of Worship

Prelude

*"Come, All Christians, Be Committed"
arr. David Lowe*

Welcome and announcements

Larry Goodman, ruling elder

*** Call to worship**

from Psalm 104

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.

All: How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Leader: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

All: I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

*** Hymn of praise 115, vv. 1, 3, 4, 5**

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

*** Prayer of adoration**

Affirmation of faith

Leader: People of God, what do you believe?

**All: As followers of Jesus Christ, we declare with joy and trust:
Our world belongs to God! From the beginning, through all of
time until God's Kingdom fully comes, God keeps his covenant
forever. Our world belongs to God!**

**God is King! Let the earth be glad!
Christ is victorious; his rule has begun.
The Spirit is at work; creation is being renewed.
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!**

adapted from Our World Belongs to God, st. 1-2

Call to confession

Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

Hymn of confession 648

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

from Psalm 103

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

* Hymn of assurance 44, vv. 1, 3, 4

"How Great Thou Art"

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

Offertory

"God Be in My Head"

Women's Ensemble

God be in my head and in my understanding;
God be in my eyes and in my looking, and in my looking.

God be in my head and in my understanding;
God be in my mouth and in my speaking, and in my speaking.

continued

God be in my heart; God be in my heart.

God be at my end and my beginning, and all days in between.

text adapted from the Book of Hours, Clare College, Cambridge, 1514; music by Andrea Ramsey, 2010

* **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.**

* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Scripture reading from Deuteronomy 11:1-21**

pp. 183-184 in the pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Brian Kvale (9:30)

Adrienne Carroll (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"Loving Obedience to God"

Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response**

"Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds"

Let children hear the mighty deeds which God performed of old;
which in our younger years we saw, and which our fathers told.

He bids us make his glories known, his works of pow'r and grace;
and we'll convey his wonders down through ev'ry rising race.

Our lips shall tell them to our sons, and they again to theirs;
that generations yet unborn may teach them to their heirs.

Thus shall they learn in God alone their hope securely stands,
that they may ne'er forget his works, but practice his commands.

text from Psalm 78:1-7, Isaac Watts, 1719; music attr. to William Croft, 1678-1727, ST. ANNE

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response**

"Threefold Amen"

* **Postlude**

Fugue in E-flat, BWV 552

J. S. Bach

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – director

Joshua Knight – organ

Celebrating the baptism of Roger Hankins Plating at the 9:30 service in the fellowship hall today are his parents, Catherine and Zach Plating, and his grandparents, Mary Vassar and Frank Hitchings and Paula and John Plating.

The rosebud in the service today is for the birth of Scottie Phog Woodruff, born to Hope and Zach Woodruff on June 28.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAVE THE DATE FOR A MINISTRY FAIR to be held on Sunday, August 13, for the purpose of learning about opportunities to serve and connecting with those already serving. Visit lmpc.org/ministry-fair for more information.

WE NEED TEACHERS AND HELPERS to serve in children's ministry on Sunday mornings and Wednesday nights. No teaching experience is necessary—just a desire to nurture, love, and grow in grace with the children here at LMPC. Please contact Brennan Griffin at brennan@lmpc.org if you are interested in volunteering with our children's ministry team, and she will coordinate your training and screening process.

MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US FOR WOMEN'S SUMMER SUPPERS, hosted in individual homes in our community on July 13. Register on Realm Connect.

VIPS, CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN JULY with Wacky Bingo in the fellowship hall on July 19 at 6:30 p.m. Enjoy bingo, a boxed dinner, and prizes. Please register on Realm Connect by July 14; cost is \$6. *The VIP group is made up of mostly retired adults (ages 65+) from LMPC and the community who meet monthly for fun and fellowship.*

MOTHER'S DAY OUT needs substitute teachers for the 2023-2024 school year, Tuesdays and Thursdays only. Contact MDO Director Megan DeMoss, megan@lmpc.org, for more information.

See additional announcements on the back of the bulletin.

Deuteronomy 11:1-32

¹“You shall therefore love the LORD your God and keep his charge, his statutes, his rules, and his commandments always. ²And consider today (since I am not speaking to your children who have not known or seen it), consider the discipline of the LORD your God, his greatness, his mighty hand and his outstretched arm, ³his signs and his deeds that he did in Egypt to Pharaoh the king of Egypt and to all his land, ⁴and what he did to the army of Egypt, to their horses and to their chariots, how he made the water of the Red Sea flow over them as they pursued after you, and how the LORD has destroyed them to this day, ⁵and what he did to you in the wilderness, until you came to this place, ⁶and what he did to Dathan and Abiram the sons of Eliab, son of Reuben, how the earth opened its mouth and swallowed them up, with their households, their tents, and every living thing that followed them, in the midst of all Israel. ⁷For your eyes have seen all the great work of the LORD that he did.

⁸“You shall therefore keep the whole commandment that I command you today, that you may be strong, and go in and take possession of the land that you are going over to possess, ⁹and that you may live long in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers to give to them and to their offspring, a land flowing with milk and honey. ¹⁰For the land that you are entering to take possession of it is not like the land of Egypt, from which you have come, where you sowed your seed and irrigated it, like a garden of vegetables. ¹¹But the land that you are going over to possess is a land of hills and valleys, which drinks water by the rain from heaven, ¹²a land that the LORD your God cares for. The eyes of the LORD your God are always upon it, from the beginning of the year to the end of the year. ¹³And if you will indeed obey my commandments that I command you today, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, ¹⁴he will give the rain for your land in its season, the early rain and the later rain, that you may gather in your grain and your wine and your oil. ¹⁵And he will give grass in your fields for your livestock, and you shall eat and be full. ¹⁶Take care lest your heart be deceived, and you turn aside and serve other gods and worship them; ¹⁷then the anger of the LORD will be kindled against you, and he will shut up the heavens, so that there will be no rain, and the land will yield no fruit, and you will perish quickly off the good land that the LORD is giving you.

¹⁸“You shall therefore lay up these words of mine in your heart and in your soul, and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. ¹⁹You shall teach them to your children, talking of them when you are sitting in your house, and when you are walking by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. ²⁰You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates, ²¹that your days and the days of your children may be multiplied in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers to give them, as long as the heavens are above the earth.

²²“For if you will be careful to do all this commandment that I command you to do, loving the LORD your God, walking in all his ways, and holding fast to him, ²³then the LORD will drive out all these nations before you, and you will dispossess nations greater and mightier than you.

²⁴Every place on which the sole of your foot treads shall be yours. Your territory shall be from

the wilderness to the Lebanon and from the River, the river Euphrates, to the western sea. ²⁵No one shall be able to stand against you. The LORD your God will lay the fear of you and the dread of you on all the land that you shall tread, as he promised you. ²⁶See, I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse: ²⁷the blessing, if you obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you today, ²⁸and the curse, if you do not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside from the way that I am commanding you today, to go after other gods that you have not known. ²⁹And when the LORD your God brings you into the land that you are entering to take possession of it, you shall set the blessing on Mount Gerizim and the curse on Mount Ebal. ³⁰Are they not beyond the Jordan, west of the road, toward the going down of the sun, in the land of the Canaanites who live in the Arabah, opposite Gilgal, beside the oak of Moreh? ³¹For you are to cross over the Jordan to go in to take possession of the land that the LORD your God is giving you. And when you possess it and live in it, ³²you shall be careful to do all the statutes and the rules that I am setting before you today.”

SERMON NOTES

“Loving Obedience to God”

Loving the Lord involves:

1. the present generation clearly accepting the responsibility of obedience. (vv. 1-7)
2. all generations soberly acknowledging the blessing of obedience and curse of idolatry. (vv. 8-17, 22-32)
3. the next generation constantly receiving the Lord’s instruction. (vv. 18-21)

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, July 9

9:30 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
10:30 a.m.	Elders available to pray for your needs	<i>Brian Salter's office</i>
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Gathering with missionary prayer	<i>chapel</i>

Additional seating for the sanctuary services is available in the chapel.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

IF YOU ARE AN ADULT WHO WANTS TO JOIN the church, register for the Intro to LMPC class on August 19 and 20. Please register on Realm Connect by August 4. If you are not yet on Realm Connect, access registration by clicking the link on the event page: lmpc.org/intro-to-lmpc.

MISSIONS NEED: Gently-used twin mattresses and dressers are needed by an attendee of LMPC. If you have one to donate, please contact Stephanie Young, Missions Coordinator, at stephanie@lmpc.org.

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

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. Please scan the QR code below and fill out an online information form. We will follow up with you about next steps. We are here to serve you!



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 all morning services and in the evening on the third Sunday of every month. Devices to amplify sound are available. If you would like one, please arrive a few minutes early and ask an usher to assist you.