



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 16, 2023 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO LMPC! *We're so glad you are with us today. Please scan the QR code on the back of your bulletin to share important information with us through an online form. 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

Welcome and greetings

Robert Clark, ruling elder

*** Call to worship**

from Psalm 97

Leader: The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice.
The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

All: **For you, O LORD, are the Most High over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.**

Leader: Let those who love the LORD hate evil, for he guards the lives of his faithful ones and delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

All: **Light is shed upon the righteous and joy on the upright in heart. Rejoice in the LORD, you who are righteous, and praise his holy name.**

*** Hymn of praise**

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
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text by Reginald Heber, 1826; music by John B. Dykes, 1861

*** Prayer of adoration**

Call to confession

James 1:23-26

Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like a man who looks at his face in a mirror and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. But the man who looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues to do this, not forgetting what he has heard, but doing it—he will be blessed in what he does. If anyone considers himself religious and yet does not keep a tight rein on his tongue, he deceives himself and his religion is worthless.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

Psalm 103:8-13

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; 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. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

*** Hymn of assurance**

“O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!”

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.

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O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus! 'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory, for it lifts me up to thee.

text by Samuel Trevor Francis, 1834-1925; music by Thomas John Williams, 1890

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

Offertory hymn "Christ, the Sure and Steady Anchor"

Christ, the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm,
when the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn;
in the suff'ring, in the sorrow, when my sinking hopes are few,
I will hold fast to the anchor; it shall never be removed.

Christ, the sure and steady anchor while the tempest rages on,
when temptation claims the battle and it seems the night has won;
deeper still then goes the anchor, though I justly stand accused.
I will hold fast to the anchor; it shall never be removed.

Christ, the sure and steady anchor through the floods of unbelief;
hopeless somehow, O my soul, now lift your eyes to Calvary.
This my ballast of assurance; see his love forever proved.
I will hold fast to the anchor; it shall never be removed.

Christ, the sure and steady anchor as we face the wave of death,
when these trials give way to glory as we draw our final breath.
Christ the sure of our salvation, ever faithful, ever true.
We will hold fast to the anchor; it shall never be removed.

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* **Scripture reading from Deuteronomy 12:1-14**

text printed in the bulletin

James Stevens (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 "Worshiping the Lord Our God"
John Mark Scruggs, pastor of congregational care

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response**

“Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken”

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee;
destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shalt be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I’ve sought or hoped or known;
yet how rich is my condition, God and heav’n are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me; they have left my Savior too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like them, untrue.
O while thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,
foes may hate and friends disown me; show thy face, and all is bright.

Soul, then know thy full salvation, rise o’er sin and fear and care;
joy to find in every station something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father’s smiles are thine!
Think that Jesus died to win thee; child of heav’n, canst thou repine?

Hasten on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;
heav’n’s eternal days before me, God’s own hand shall guide me there.
Soon shall close my earthly mission, swift shall pass my pilgrim days;
hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.
text by Henry F. Lyte, 1824, 1833; music by Bill Moore, 2001

* **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.**

RENEW update

Musicians for this week:

Amy Barham – vocals
Joel Christie – vocals
Xaris Emmett – violin

Calvin Garriott – piano
David Henry – guitar, vocals
Hannah Lutz – viola

Deuteronomy 12:1-14

¹“These are the statutes and rules that you shall be careful to do in the land that the LORD, the God of your fathers, has given you to possess, all the days that you live on the earth. ²You shall surely destroy all the places where the nations whom you shall dispossess served their gods, on the high mountains and on the hills and under every green tree. ³You shall tear down their altars and dash in pieces their pillars and burn their Asherim with fire. You shall chop down the carved images of their gods and destroy their name out of that place. ⁴You shall not worship the LORD your God in that way. ⁵But you shall seek the place that the LORD your God will choose out of all your tribes to put his name and make his habitation there. There you shall go, ⁶and there you shall bring your burnt offerings and your sacrifices, your tithes and the contribution that you present, your vow offerings, your freewill offerings, and the firstborn of your herd and of your flock. ⁷And there you shall eat before the LORD your God, and you shall rejoice, you and your households, in all that you undertake, in which the LORD your God has blessed you.

⁸“You shall not do according to all that we are doing here today, everyone doing whatever is right in his own eyes, ⁹for you have not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance that the LORD your God is giving you. ¹⁰But when you go over the Jordan and live in the land that the LORD your God is giving you to inherit, and when he gives you rest from all your enemies around, so that you live in safety, ¹¹then to the place that the LORD your God will choose, to make his name dwell there, there you shall bring all that I command you: your burnt offerings and your sacrifices, your tithes and the contribution that you present, and all your finest vow offerings that you vow to the LORD. ¹²And you shall rejoice before the LORD your God, you and your sons and your daughters, your male servants and your female servants, and the Levite that is within your towns, since he has no portion or inheritance with you. ¹³Take care that you do not offer your burnt offerings at any place that you see, ¹⁴but at the place that the LORD will choose in one of your tribes, there you shall offer your burnt offerings, and there you shall do all that I am commanding you.”

SERMON NOTES

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

IN TODAY'S RENEW VIDEO UPDATE, you will hear about the work of the building committee. The members of the LMPC building committee are: Margaret Arthur, Elizabeth Barnes, Stuart Bickley (chair), Robert Duncan, Scott Harrison, Frank Hitchings, Dowling King, Hugh Morrow, Everett Pierce, Mayes Starke, and Miller Welborn.

JOIN US FOR OUR SUNDAY EVENING GATHERING COMMUNION SERVICE at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Nursery will be provided.

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME Margaret Lowery, who officially joined us this week as LMPC's new Director of Operations & Finance. Margaret graduated from the University of Georgia's Terry College of Business with a degree in marketing and has experience in investment management, financial reporting, and human resources.

JOIN US IN SAYING "FAREWELL" to Hank Currin on Wednesday, August 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the JHYB. We will celebrate our beloved middle school co-director with an ice cream social for his many years of faithful service as part of our Youth Ministry Team.

WIDOWED? Help is here and hope is possible. Discover reasons for hope and tips for coping with the death of a spouse. Register on Realm Connect for our "Loss of a Spouse Seminar" and join us on Saturday, August 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the JHYB Middle School Room.

A MINISTRY FAIR will be held on Sunday, August 13 for the purpose of learning about opportunities to serve. Stop by the Conference and Reception Rooms between 9:30 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. to connect with those serving in various ministries. Please prioritize attending; as we continue in this season of renewal, let us renew our spirit of service. Be sure you have a Realm Connect account and the app downloaded; contact realm@lmpc.org if you need an account.

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 screening and training process.

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, July 16

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 communion service	<i>sanctuary</i>
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	<i>JHYB</i>

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

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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.