



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 20, 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, Thou Almighty King"

arr. Bill Fasig and John Innes

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #101)

Welcome and announcements

Larry Goodman, ruling elder

* Call to worship

from Psalm 103

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. He forgives all our sins and heals all our diseases; he redeems our lives from the pit and crowns us with love and compassion.

All: He satisfies our desires with good things so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's. The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.

Leader: The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in love. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

All: The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul!

* Hymn of praise 119

“I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

* Prayer of adoration

Missionary report (9:30)

Sacrament of baptism (11:00)

Ashleigh and Chris Chafin bringing Noah Tyre Chafin

Call to confession

Proverbs 28:13

He who conceals his sins does not prosper, but whoever confesses and renounces them finds mercy.

Prayer of confession

from Psalm 51

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

All: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight.

Leader: Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in the inmost place. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.

All: Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God’s pardoning grace

from 1 John 4

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God.

* Hymn of assurance 498, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5

“Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!”

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

Offertory

“Fairest Lord Jesus”
arr. Mark Hayes and Marvin Gaspard
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #170)

Instrumental meditation

* **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 Luke 12:1-12**
p. 1035 in the pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Amos Oster (9:30)
Rachel Adams (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon

“Keeping the End in View”
Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response 131, vv. 1-4**

“Children of the Heavenly Father”

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response**

“Threefold Amen”

* **Postlude**

Toccata on “Great Day”
Adolphus Hailstork

Musicians for this week:

Randall Crenshaw – piano

Joshua Knight – organ

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given in memory of Ruthie Howell, who died of leukemia in 1981 at age 11. Since LMPC is the only church home that Ruthie ever knew, her parents, Annetta and Charlie Howell, honor her memory with flowers in the sanctuary every year around her birthday.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME Nathan Connor, LMPC's new Co-Director of Middle School Ministry. Nathan participated in youth group at LMPC as a high school student and has been a volunteer leader with our middle school ministry for the past two years. He is in his final year at UTC, studying exercise science. Nathan joined the LMPC staff part-time starting on August 9, and will transition to full-time in May 2024.

TONIGHT FOR OUR SUNDAY EVENING GATHERING, join us for a communion service in the sanctuary at 6:00 p.m. We will continue our series in 2 Timothy. Nursery will be provided. To see the Sunday Evening Gathering schedule, please visit lmpc.org/sundaynight.

OUR ANNUAL BUILD-A-BAG COLLECTION continues through September 3. Pick up a list and reusable grocery bag from the fellowship hall lobby and help us fill the Salvation Army's food pantry. Assemble one (or more!) food bags using the list attached to the bag and drop off filled bags on Sunday mornings under the porte-cochere.

OUR WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP FALL KICKOFF will be held on Sunday, August 27 at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Gather for an evening of fellowship, food, and worship as we prepare for a year of growth together. No registration required; cost is \$10.

CELEBRATE THE START OF OUR WEDNESDAY NIGHT ministries with our first fellowship dinner of the fall at The Commons on August 30 at 5:30 p.m. We will enjoy BBQ pork and other picnic foods. Costs are \$6 for teens/adults, \$4 for elementary-age, and free for ages 5 and under. All other Wednesday night activities resume September 6; learn more at lmpc.org/wednesday.

FAMILY CAMP REGISTRATION is open through August 31; don't miss out! Learn more at lmpc.org/family-camp.

WOMEN, JOIN A BIBLE STUDY this fall and study God's Word together. Find a day and time that works for you; see all studies at lmpc.org/groups.

THIS FALL, ATTEND A WEDNESDAY afternoon or evening study for adults beginning September 6. At 4:30 p.m. in the Conference Room, the topic is "History of the Church," taught by Addison Soltau. At 6:15 p.m. in the Upper Room, the topic is "The Epistle of Romans," taught by Jim Blankenship.

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

Luke 12:1-12

¹In the meantime, when so many thousands of the people had gathered together that they were trampling one another, he began to say to his disciples first, "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. ²Nothing is covered up that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ³Therefore whatever you have said in the dark shall be heard in the light, and what you have whispered in private rooms shall be proclaimed on the housetops.

⁴"I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more that they can do. ⁵But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him! ⁶Are not five sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. ⁷Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows. ⁸And I tell you, everyone who acknowledges me before men, the Son of Man also will acknowledge before the angels of God, ⁹but the one who denies me before men will be denied before the angels of God. ¹⁰And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but the one who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven. ¹¹And when they bring you before the synagogues and the rulers and the authorities, do not be anxious about how you should defend yourself or what you should say, ¹²for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say."

Celebrating the baptism of Laura ("Lollie") Rowland Probasco in the 9:30 service in the fellowship hall today are her parents, Laura and William Probasco, and her grandparents, Sheri and Jeff Carmichael and Alexis and Scott Probasco.

Celebrating the baptism of Noah Tyre Chafin at the 11:00 service in the sanctuary today are his parents, Ashleigh and Chris Chafin, and his grandparents, Cindy and Daniel Glecier and Wanda and Samuel Chafin.

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, August 20

9:30 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary & fellowship hall
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for adults.....	Conference Room
10:30 a.m.	Elders available to pray for your needs	Brian Salter's office
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary & fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults, youth, & children.....	various locations
3:00 p.m.	Middle School Ice Cream Olympics	JHYB
6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Gathering communion service	sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	JHYB

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

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

LOOKING FOR WAYS TO SERVE AT LMPC?

Find your next opportunity or build on the connections you made at the Ministry Fair to get involved in serving. Using the latest feature in Realm Connect you are now able to share your interest in serving, choosing from more than 70 opportunities from a variety of ministry areas. To access: open the app, tap MORE, and tap SERVING. From there, fill out your SERVING PROFILE by selecting skills and interests that apply to you. Next, browse OPPORTUNITIES by team to find a role, or search by the name. You'll see that the best matches to your skills and interests appear at the top of the list. Now you're connected to ministry area leaders who can contact you when an opportunity becomes available. Need help getting started? Request a Realm Connect account by visiting lmpc.org/realm, or contact onrealm@lmpc.org for more support.

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.