



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
Presbyterian Church

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Ye wretched, hungry, starving poor, behold a royal feast!
Where mercy spreads her bounteous store for ev'ry humble guest.
See, Jesus stands with open arms; he calls, he bids you come:
guilt holds you back, and fear alarms; but see, there yet is room.
Room in the Savior's bleeding heart, there love and pity meet;
nor will he bid the soul depart that trembles at his feet. — Anne Steele*

MAY 5, 2024 • 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. We encourage you to read the text on the front of the bulletin as we prepare to worship together.*

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 crayons and children's bulletins.*

** Congregation standing as you are able*

Order of Worship

Welcome and greetings

John Mark Scruggs, pastor of congregational care

*** Call to worship**

based on Psalm 138

Leader: I will praise you, O LORD, with all my heart; I will sing your praise.
I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name
for your love and your faithfulness.

All: **You have exalted your name and your word above all things. When I called, you answered me; you made me bold and stouthearted. May all the kings of the earth sing of the ways of the LORD, for the glory of the LORD is great.**

Leader: The LORD is on high and looks upon the lowly, but the proud he knows from afar.

All: **Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life. You will fulfill your purpose for me; your love, O LORD, endures forever—do not abandon the works of your hands.**

*** Hymn of praise**

“From All that Dwell below the Skies”

From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise;
let the Redeemer's name be sung through every land, by every tongue.

In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong.
In cheerful sound all voices raise and fill the world with joyful praise.

Eternal are your mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends your word.
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.
text by Isaac Watts, 1719, based on Psalm 117; music by John Hatton, 1793

*** Prayer of adoration and the Lord's prayer**

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come.
Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever. Amen.**

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

Offertory hymn *"May the Mind of Christ My Savior"*

May the mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day,
by his love and power controlling all I do and all I say.
May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
so that all may see I triumph only through his power.

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything,
that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.
May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea;
him exalting, self abasing, this is victory.

May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe,
looking only unto Jesus as I onward go.
May his beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win,
and may they forget the channel, seeing only him.
text by Kate Wilkinson, 1925; music by DH, 2016

*** Scripture reading from Deuteronomy 30:11-20**

text printed in the bulletin

Rebekah Risley (9:30)
Margaret Stewart (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon *"Covenantal Choice"*
Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who have previously been admitted to the Lord's Table, 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 and willingly forsake sin, having sought reconciliation in all relationships.

Those seated on the stage will come forward to be served first, followed by the back rows and the rest of the congregation, finishing with those in the front rows. Come down the center two aisles, partake of the elements, and return to your seat by the outside aisles. If you are unable to come forward for any reason, alert the elder circulating with the elements and he will serve you at your seat. The bread is gluten-free and dairy-free. When you come to receive from this table of grace, please meditate on the words of the hymns and prepare your hearts as the musicians play and sing. Men and women will be available at the back of the fellowship hall and in the lobby to pray with you should you desire that.

Hymn of confession

"Rock of Ages"

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;
let the water and the blood, from thy riven side which flowed,
be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's demands;
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;
naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;
foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

text by Augustus Toplady, 1776; music by James Ward © 1985 James Ward Music, CCLI Lic. #152036

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

from 2 Timothy 1:9-10

God has saved us and called us to a holy life—not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Savior, Christ Jesus, who has destroyed death and has brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Words of institution

Communion affirmation

Leader: Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, this Holy Supper we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, of communion, and of hope.

All: **We come in remembrance that our Lord Jesus Christ was sent by the Father into the world to take on flesh. By his righteous life, atoning death, and powerful resurrection, he has accomplished for us what we could not accomplish for ourselves.**

Leader: We come to have communion with our Lord Jesus Christ, who has promised to be with us always, even to the end of the world. He is the bread of heaven that nourishes our souls and the true vine in which we abide and bear fruit.

All: **We come in hope, believing that these signs are a pledge and foretaste of the wedding feast of the Lamb that we will enjoy when Christ's kingdom has fully come. We proclaim the Lord's death and profess his resurrection until he comes again. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

adapted from The Worship Sourcebook

Prayer of consecration

Distribution of the elements

Songs for meditation

"I Boast No More"

No more, my God, I boast no more of all the duties I have done.
I quit the hopes I held before, to trust the merits of thy Son.
No more, my God, I boast no more.

Now, for the loss, I bear his name; what was my gain I count my loss.
My former pride I call my shame and nail my glory to his cross.
No more, my God, I boast no more.

Yes, and I must and will esteem all things but loss for Jesus' sake.
O may my soul be found in him and of his righteousness partake!
No more, my God, I boast no more.

The best obedience of my hands dares not appear before thy throne;
but faith can answer thy demands by pleading what my Lord has done.
No more, my God, I boast no more.

text by Isaac Watts (1674-1748); music by Sandra McCracken © 2001 Same Old Dress Music, CCLI Lic. #152036

“I Set My Hope on Jesus”

When this life of trials tests my faith, I set my hope on Jesus.
When the questions come and doubts remain, I set my hope on Jesus.
For the deepest wounds that time won't heal, there's a joy that runs still deeper.
There's a truth that's more than all I feel; I set my hope on Jesus.

Refrain: I set my hope on Jesus, my rock my only trust,
who set his heart upon me first. I set my hope on Jesus.

Though I falter in this war with sin, I set my hope on Jesus.
When I fail the fight and sink within, I set my hope on Jesus.
Though the shame would drown me in its sea, and I dread the waves of justice,
I will cast my life on Calvary; I set my hope on Jesus. *Refrain*

Though the world call me to leave my Lord, I set my hope on Jesus.
Though it offer all its vain rewards, I set my hope on Jesus.
Though this heart of mine is prone to stray, give me grace enough to finish.
Till I worship on that final day, I set my hope on Jesus. *Refrain*

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* Prayer of thanksgiving

* Hymn of praise

“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.**

* **Postlude**

Musicians for this week:

Ismael Bartolome – violin
Joel Christie – vocals
David Henry – guitar, vocals

Hannah Lutz – viola
Jennifer Mixon – vocals
Bob Wharton – piano

IN MEMORIAM
Robert Grady Love
June 9, 1940 – April 30, 2024

IN MEMORIAM
John Warren McEwen (Jack)
April 2, 1999 – April 30, 2024

The rosebud in the service today is for the birth of Catherine Lott “Lottie” Lannae, born to Joy and Trey Lannae on April 24.

Deuteronomy 30:11-20

¹¹“For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. ¹²It is not in heaven, that you should say, ‘Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?’ ¹³Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, ‘Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?’ ¹⁴But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.

¹⁵“See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. ¹⁶If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ¹⁷But if your heart turns away, and you will not hear, but are drawn away to worship other gods and serve them, ¹⁸I declare to you today, that you shall surely perish. You shall not live long in the land that you are going over the Jordan to enter and possess. ¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the LORD swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

SERMON NOTES

“Covenantal Choice”

Deuteronomy 30:11-20

Personal, covenantal relationship with God is a gift because he:

1. clearly reveals what he commands—no confusion. (vv. 11-14)

2. clearly reveals what is at stake—no deception. (vv. 15-20)

Further Up, Further In,
Resources for
Continued Study



SERMON NOTES
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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD. Come worship and sing with us tonight for our Sunday Evening Gathering, Scripture & Song at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Congregational singing will be led by multigenerational choirs (ranging in age from 6-86) with piano, organ, and string quartet. Nursery will be provided.

THE CHURCH BUILDING HAS BEEN PREPPED FOR CONSTRUCTION, so we will no longer have overflow seating or livestream in the chapel, Reception Room, or nursing mother's room. Note the new location for prayer with elders; it will now be held in the E-200 room of the children's education wing. Please ask an usher if you need directions.

THE FULL SLATE OF OFFICER CANDIDATES FOR THE CLASS OF 2027 was elected by the congregation on April 28. They will be installed as officers in the morning services on Sunday, May 19.

LOST AND FOUND TODAY ONLY: Check the table in the fellowship hall lobby and claim your items. Everything must go today before renovations begin.

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, May 5

9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
10:30 a.m.	Elders available to pray for your needs.....	children's education building, E-200
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
6:00 p.m.	Scripture and Song.....	sanctuary

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

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Don't miss out on upcoming church events, building updates, resources, and other news. Stay informed by contacting onrealm@lmpc.org to update your email preferences.

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.