



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
Presbyterian Church

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Lord, you have given us your Word for a light to shine upon our path;
grant us so to meditate on that Word, and to follow its teaching,
that we may find in it the light that shines more and more until the perfect day,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

—St. Jerome

AUGUST 4, 2024 • SANCTUARY SERVICE

* Congregation standing as you are able

Order of Worship

Prelude

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

arr. Michael Burkhardt

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #457)

Welcome and announcements

David Caines, ruling elder

Introit

“O Jesus, We Adore You”

Chancel Choir

O Jesus, we adore you, upon the cross, our King.
We bow our hearts before you; your gracious name we sing.
That name has brought salvation, that name in life our stay,
our peace, our consolation, when life shall fade away.

The world does yet disdain you, still passing by the cross.
Lord, may our hearts retain you; all else we count but loss.
Ah, Lord, our sins arraigned you and nailed you to the tree;
our pride, O Lord, disdained you, yet you have set us free.

O glorious King, we praise you, no longer pass you by;
O Jesus, we confess you the Son enthroned on high.
Lord, grant to us forgiveness; life through your death restore;
yes, grant to us the fullness of life forevermore
text by Arthur T. Russel, 1851; music by William Lloyd, 1840, MEIRIONYDD

* 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, 4, 5**

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on him cast your care,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, three in one,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
text by Francis of Assisi, 1225; German tune, 1623, LASST UNS ERFREUEN

*** 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

“The Meditations of My Heart”

Chancel Choir

May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart
be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord.
May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart
be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord.

O Lord my Rock, O Lord my strength,
O Lord my God and Redeemer.
O Lord my Rock, O Lord my strength,
O Lord my Redeemer.

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be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord.

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be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord.

O Lord my Rock, O Lord my strength,

O Lord my God and Redeemer.

O Lord my Rock, O Lord my strength,

O Lord my Redeemer. O Lord my Redeemer. O Lord.

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*** Gloria Patri 735**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

*** Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

*** Scripture reading from Joshua 8:30-35**

David Wharton

³⁰At that time Joshua built an altar to the LORD, the God of Israel, on Mount Ebal,
³¹just as Moses the servant of the LORD had commanded the people of Israel, as
it is written in the Book of the Law of Moses, “an altar of uncut stones, upon
which no man has wielded an iron tool.” And they offered on it burnt offerings
to the LORD and sacrificed peace offerings.

³²And there, in the presence of the people of Israel, he wrote on the stones a
copy of the law of Moses, which he had written. ³³And all Israel, sojourner as
well as native born, with their elders and officers and their judges, stood on
opposite sides of the ark before the Levitical priests who carried the ark of the
covenant of the LORD, half of them in front of Mount Gerizim and half of them
in front of Mount Ebal, just as Moses the servant of the LORD had commanded at
the first, to bless the people of Israel. ³⁴And afterward he read all the words of
the law, the blessing and the curse, according to all that is written in the Book
of the Law. ³⁵There was not a word of all that Moses commanded that Joshua did
not read before all the assembly of Israel, and the women, and the little ones,
and the sojourners who lived among them.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon

“Elements of Covenant Renewal”
Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

Covenant renewal involves all of God’s people:

1. engaging in Gospel-rich worship. (vv. 30-31)
2. embracing all of God’s Word. (vv. 32-35)

Pastoral prayer

This morning we celebrate the Lord’s Supper. This celebration is a sacred time during which God’s people enjoy communion with him and unity with each other. We believe that the Lord’s Supper is meant for the body of Christ as a gathered, corporate reality and not merely for personal or individual edification. For this reason, the livestream is ending at the conclusion of the sermon and will not include the celebration of the sacrament.

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – choral director
Joshua Knight – organ, piano

Bob Schmidt – trumpet

LMPC MISSION

To glorify God by growing in grace and giving our lives away
on the mountain, in the city, and around the world.

LMPC VISION

For God’s glory, we desire to be a church who:

- exalts Christ wholeheartedly
- engages people graciously
- equips disciples biblically
- extends resources generously

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR SUNDAY EVENING GATHERING TODAY will be a time of prayer for our supported missionary partners at 6:00 p.m. in the Jane Harris Youth Building high school room.

OUR ANNUAL BUILD-A-BAG collection for the Salvation Army begins next Sunday! Starting August 11, you may pick up a tote bag before or after morning services, fill it with food or toiletry items from the suggested list, and return it to the Jane Harris Youth Building on any Sunday morning by September 1.

CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF FAMILY CAMP! Join us September 6-8 at Alpine Camp (Saturday-only option available). Registration on Realm Connect is open now; you must register by August 14 if you want to order t-shirts or hats! Visit lmpc.org/family-camp for more information.

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