



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

Presbyterian Church

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Most gracious God and Father, it is good for us to draw near to you. The nearer we come to you, the better it is for us. As we spend our time worshiping in your presence today, let us anticipate the joy of living before you in the world to come. On this first day of the week, may you shine into our hearts. Remake us today as your workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works. —Matthew Henry

SEPTEMBER 1, 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

Aaron Tolson, pastor of youth ministries

*** Call to worship**

from Psalm 33

Leader: Sing joyfully to the LORD, you righteous; it is fitting for the upright to praise him.

All: **For the word of the LORD is right and true; he is faithful in all he does. The LORD loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of his unfailing love.**

Leader: By the word of the LORD were the heavens made, their starry host by the breath of his mouth. He gathers the waters of the sea into jars; he puts the deep into storehouses. Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the people of the world revere him.

All: **We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield. In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name. May your unfailing love rest upon us, O LORD, even as we put our hope in you.**

*** Hymn of praise**

“This Is My Father’s World”

This is my Father’s world, and to my list’ning ears,
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father’s world: I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father’s world, the birds their carols raise,
the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker’s praise.
This is my Father’s world: he shines in all that’s fair;
in the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father’s world, O let me ne’er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father’s world: the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav’n be one.

text by Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901; music by Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915

*** Prayer of adoration**

Call to confession

from Colossians 3

Since you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above,
where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Put to death whatever belongs
to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed,
which is idolatry. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived.
But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice,
slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you
have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self,
which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.

Hymn of confession

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e’er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

text by Isaac Watts, 1707; traditional English melody

Prayer of confession

Leader: Lord, you have shown us true humility by becoming one of us.

All: Yet too often we are arrogant and value self-preservation above all else.

Leader: You cried alongside your friends and for the city of Jerusalem.

All: Yet too often we rush past the pain of others or assign your judgment to them.

Leader: You loved those who were weak, despised, and cast out.

All: Yet too often we focus our love on those who are strong, respected, and popular.

Leader: You freely forgave and healed.

All: Yet too often we hold grudges and cause more destruction than healing.

Leader: You lived a perfectly holy life and sought to do the will of your heavenly Father.

All: Yet too often we do not yearn for righteousness or desire our Father's will be done.

Leader: You call us to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world.

All: Yet too often we blend into our culture or hide from it.

Leader: Forgive us Lord,

All: that we might declare your praises, you who brought us out of darkness and into your wonderful light.

adapted from The Worship Sourcebook and 1 Peter 2:9b

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

John 3:16-17

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

*** Hymn of assurance**

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise,
the glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;
'tis music in the sinner’s ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the pow’r of reigning sin, he sets the pris’ner free;
his blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks and, list’ning to his voice, new life the dead receive;
the mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

text by Charles Wesley, 1739; music by Carl G. Gläser, 1784-1829

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

Offertory hymn

“My Worth Is Not in What I Own”

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone,
but in the costly wounds of love at the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame,
but in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.

Refrain: I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul.
I will trust in him, no other; my soul is satisfied in him alone.

As summer flowers, we fade and die; fame, youth, and beauty hurry by,
but life eternal calls to us at the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom’s fleeting light,
but I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross. *Refrain*

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness;
my value fixed—my ransom paid at the cross. *Refrain*

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*** Scripture reading from Luke 19:41-48**

text printed in the bulletin

Christy Gambrell (9:30)

David Paschall (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon

“The King Who Weeps and Roars”
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.**

* Postlude

Musicians for this week:

Eleanor Caines – vocals

Xaris Emmett – violin

David Henry – guitar, vocals

Hannah Lutz – viola

Ethan Rester – piano

Deneen Turner – vocals

SERMON SERIES: LUKE

We return to our sermon series in Luke, resuming in chapter 19, verses 41-48.

Luke begins his Gospel with an explicit purpose statement: he wants his friend Theophilus “to have certainty concerning the things you have been taught” (Luke 1:4) about Jesus and, “the things that have been accomplished among us” (Luke 1:1). To provide that certainty, Luke wrote an “orderly account” about the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus based upon eyewitness testimony.

Like a good investigative reporter, Luke tracks down the full Gospel story of Jesus and his mission to seek and save the lost. Through these stories, we learn of God’s plan of salvation for all, Jew and Gentile alike, as accomplished in the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. We learn what a follower of Jesus is called to be, how we are called to proclaim the good news of Jesus, and how we are called to live in a world hostile to that proclamation. We learn, too, of God’s heart for the outcast, and the welcome all sinners can expect when they run home to God.

OFFICER NOMINATIONS HAVE BEGUN!

Emails have been sent to all members inviting participation in the officer nomination process. Please visit lmpc.org/officers to access a video about officer nominations, a step-by-step explanation of the nomination process, answers to frequently asked questions, and a list of those eligible to serve as officers. You may submit nominations online through that page OR call the church office at 423-821-4528 to request a paper nominating ballot. The deadline for nominations is Sunday, September 29. Questions? Email nominations@lmpc.org.

Luke 19:41-48

⁴¹And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it, ⁴²saying, “Would that you, even you, had known on this day the things that make for peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. ⁴³For the days will come upon you, when your enemies will set up a barricade around you and surround you and hem you in on every side ⁴⁴and tear you down to the ground, you and your children within you. And they will not leave one stone upon another in you, because you did not know the time of your visitation.”

⁴⁵And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold, ⁴⁶saying to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be a house of prayer,’ but you have made it a den of robbers.” ⁴⁷And he was teaching daily in the temple. The chief priests and the scribes and the principal men of the people were seeking to destroy him, ⁴⁸but they did not find anything they could do, for all the people were hanging on his words.

SERMON NOTES

“The King Who Weeps and Roars”

Luke 19:41-48

1. What makes Jesus weep? (vv. 41-44)

- He weeps when the religiously close are actually far and in danger.

2. What makes Jesus roar? (vv. 45-48)

- He roars when the religiously close take over his house and push him out.

Further Up, Further In,
Resources for
Continued Study



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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 8, THE FELLOWSHIP HALL WORSHIP SERVICE will be located in the **Lookout Mountain School (LMS)** auditorium at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. until further notice, due to the truss work. Seating capacity will be no more than has recently been available in the fellowship hall, and overflow will be directed to the sanctuary. While at LMS, please do not allow your children to move through the building unattended. Use the front doors; we will have access to the auditorium and restrooms only.

TODAY IS THE FINAL DAY to return your Build-a-Bag tote to the Jane Harris Youth Building. Thank you for participating in this important collection! We will share final numbers next week.

BRINGING SOMEONE A MEAL is one of the most tangible ways we can demonstrate the love of Christ. If you have ever been on the receiving end of a meal ministry, you know what a blessing it is. The Food for Friends ministry at LMPC is in need of volunteers; can you help? Visit lmpc.org/food-for-friends for more information and to contact Pamela Wilson, coordinator.

THE SESSION HAS DETERMINED THAT THERE WILL BE NO SUNDAY SCHOOL for children, youth, or adults until the chapel and three children's classrooms under it are ready to be used. There is **one exception: the Redeemer class**, as it is mostly independent of the need for children and youth programming. All adults are welcome to attend at 9:30 a.m. in the Jane Harris Youth Building, beginning September 15.

MORNING COMMUNION THIS MONTH will be held on the third Sunday, September 15, instead of the first. Due to construction constraints, there will be no evening communion in September.

CHILDREN'S CHOIRS will resume on Wednesday, September 18 and run weekly through the fall from 4:00 to 4:45 p.m. Music Makers is for ages 4 & 5 and Kingdom Kids is for grades 1-5. Please register on Realm Connect and email Joy Gibbons at joy@lmpc.org if you have questions.

THE NEXT MEN'S STEAK NIGHT will take place on Thursday, September 26, and is a great opportunity to be with 8-10 other men to enjoy fellowship and eat meat. Please register on Realm Connect by Wednesday, September 18, noting if you would like to sign up with a friend. If you are willing to host a dinner, contact Julie Dean, julie@lmpc.org.

INTERESTED IN A SHORT-TERM MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY? Join the team traveling to Juba, South Sudan, October 30-November 9 with Reconciliation Ministries (RMNI.org) and utilize your gifts. Contact Jim Sutherland at jim@RMNI.org for more information.

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, September 1

9:30 a.m.	Worship service.....	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.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall

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

SET UP GIVING IN REALM CONNECT

Giving online through Realm or the Realm Connect App is easy and convenient! Just log in to your Realm Connect account, tap "Giving," and tap the blue button that says "+Give" (or "Make a gift" if you're on the app) to create a new gift. From there, set up a one-time or recurring gift. You also have the option to securely save your billing information in Realm for future gifts or event payments. Don't have a Realm Connect account? Request one today by visiting lmpc.org/realm.

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 will be held in the morning on the third Sunday in September. Devices to amplify sound are available. If you would like one, please arrive a few minutes early and ask an usher to assist you.