



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
Presbyterian Church

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O Lord, meet us this morning.

We long for you as a wild animal longs for streams of water.

Meet us, we pray, and remake us.

*May all that we cling to in this life be undone in the wonder of your presence,
and in the undoing may we come fully alive to you.*

JANUARY 5, 2025 • SANCTUARY 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

Prelude

Welcome and greetings

John Mark Scruggs, pastor of congregational care

* Call to worship

based on Ephesians 1:3-18

Leader: All glorious God, we give you thanks, for in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms.

All: You chose us, before the creation of the world, to be your people, holy and blameless in your sight. In love, you predestined us to be adopted as your children through Jesus Christ. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins.

Leader: You have made known to us the mystery of your will, to bring all things in heaven and earth into unity in Christ. You have given us your Holy Spirit, the seal and pledge of our inheritance.

All: All praise and glory be yours, O God, for the richness of your grace, for the splendor of your gifts, for the wonder of your love.

* Hymn of praise 101

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

*** 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

"I Love to Tell the Story"

Chancel Choir

I love to tell the story of unseen things above,
of Jesus and his glory, of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story, because I know 'tis true;
it satisfies my longings as nothing else can do.

I love to tell the story; for those who know it best
seem hungering and thirsting to hear it, like the rest.
I love to tell the story, for some have never heard
the message of salvation from God's own holy Word.

I love to tell the story, 'twill be my theme in glory
to tell the old, old story of Jesus and his love.

text by Katherine Hankey, 1866; music by William G. Fischer, 1869; arr. Philip M. Young, 1997

*** 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 Romans 11:33-12:2**

p. 1126 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Bob Huffaker (9:30)

Barby Gifford (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

**"Renewing Our Mission"
Brian Salter, lead pastor**

Pastoral prayer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

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.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

from John 6

Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty. All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never drive away. Everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life."

Words of institution

Communion affirmation

Leader: We come to this feast in obedience and with thanksgiving.

All: By dying, Christ destroyed our death. By rising, he gave us life. It is in his great love and sacrifice that we have been set free, and given hope for an eternal future that can never perish, spoil, or fade.

Leader: In this feast, our God is present with us by his Spirit.

All: When we share this bread, we share in the body of Christ: we are sustained and nourished to love and serve as our Savior did.

When we share this cup, we share in the blood of Christ: we take part in his suffering and are formed into people who bring life out of death.

When we share this meal with each other, we are united in faith and mission, and we yearn for Christ's return and the restoration of all things. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

adapted from The Worship Sourcebook

Prayer of consecration

Distribution of the elements

For the bread

Instrumental meditation

Prayer of thanksgiving

* Hymn of response

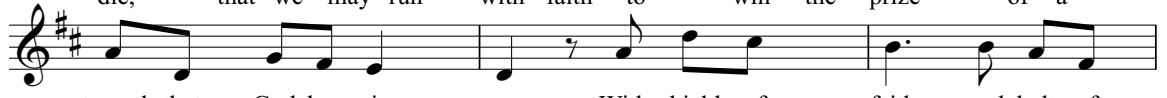
“O Church, Arise”



1.O church, a - rise, and put your ar - mor on, hear the call of Christ our cap -
 2.Our call to war, to love the cap - tive soul, but to rage a - gainst the cap -
 3.Come, see the cross, where love and mer - cy meet, as the Son of God is strick -
 4.So Spi - rit come, put strength in ev - 'ry stride, give grace for ev - 'ry hur -



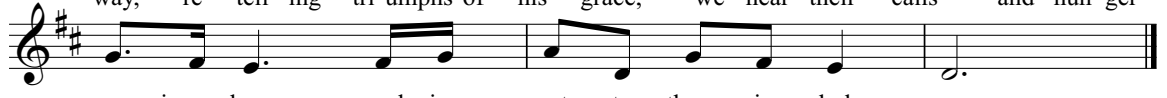
tain; for now the weak can say that they are strong in the
 tor; and with the sword that makes the woun - ded whole, we will
 en; then see his foes lie crushed be - neath his feet, for the
 dle, that we may run with faith to win the prize of a



strength that God has giv - en. With shield of faith and belt of
 fight with faith and val - or. When faced with trials on ev - 'ry
 Con - quer - or has ri - sen! And as the stone is rolled a -
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truth, we'll stand a - gainst the de - vil's lies; an ar - my bold, whose bat - tle -
 side, we know the out - come is se - cure; and Christ will have the prize for
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cry is love, reach - ing out to those in dark - ness.
 which he died: an in - he - ri - tance of na - tions.
 till the day ev - 'ry eye and heart shall see him.
 for the day when, with Christ, we stand in glo - ry.

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* Benediction

* Congregational response

“Threefold Amen”

* Postlude

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – choral director

Joshua Knight – organ

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COME BACK TONIGHT for our Sunday Evening Gathering: a time of prayer for our missionaries at 6:00 p.m. in the Jane Harris Youth Building.

MEN, JOIN A MONTHLY BOOK DISCUSSION that meets on second Thursdays at 7:00 p.m., led by Ken Stewart. This month, meet at the Jane Harris Youth Building on January 9 to talk about George Marsden's *Jonathan Edwards: A Short Life*.

WOMEN'S WINTER SUPPERS: These fellowship dinners, hosted in individual homes, are a great opportunity to connect with women across various ages and stages of life. Invite your friends and neighbors to dinner on Tuesday, January 21 at 6:00 p.m. Please register on Realm Connect by January 16. If you are interested in hosting, please email Caroline Scruggs at caroline@lmpc.org.

JOIN US FEBRUARY 9-12 for our annual World Missions Conference as we welcome four national guests from supported partnership ministry Bible Mission Global. This year's conference will celebrate 30 years of partnership with this faithful ministry in Central Asia.

LMPC'S MOTHER'S DAY OUT PROGRAM needs a teacher's aide and substitutes, starting in January. These are paid positions, for Tuesdays and Thursdays only. Please contact MDO Director Megan DeMoss, megan@lmpc.org, for more information.

LMPC HAS A JOB OPENING for the position of Facilities Manager. See the job description at lmpc.org/jobs and direct all inquiries to margaretlowery@lmpc.org.

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

The rosebud in the service today is for the birth of Joseph Westley Lentini, born to Ciara and Joseph Lentini on December 17.

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, January 5

9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for adults (Redeemer class)	JHYB
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.	Sunday Evening Gathering with missionary prayer	JHYB

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

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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.