



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

Presbyterian Church

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Our Father, we sanctify this day to honor our Lord Jesus Christ and to celebrate his resurrection. Let us rise with him from the death of sin to the life of righteousness. As we have been planted with Christ in the likeness of his death, so let us come to life with him in the likeness of his resurrection. Just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, let us walk in glorious newness of life.

—from Matthew Henry

MAY 4, 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

"This Joyful Eastertide"

arr. Michael Burkhardt

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal #284)

Welcome and greetings

Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

* Call to worship

based on Psalm 66

Leader: Shout with joy to God, all the earth! Sing the glory of his name; make his praise glorious! Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

All: **Come and see what God has done, how awesome his works on our behalf! He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on foot—come, let us rejoice in him.**

Leader: Praise our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard; he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping, and though he has led us through many trials, he has brought us to a place of abundance.

All: **Come and listen, all you who fear God; and hear what he has done for us. We cried out to him and he has surely listened. Praise be to God, who has not rejected our prayers or withheld his love from us!**

* Hymn of praise

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus, his the scepter, his the throne.
Alleluia! His the triumph, his the victory alone.
Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood:
“Jesus, out of every nation, has redeemed us by his blood.”

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now.
Alleluia! He is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.
Tho’ the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o’er,
shall our hearts forget his promise, “I am with you evermore”?

Alleluia! Bread of heaven, here on earth our food, our stay.
Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to you from day to day.
Intercessor, friend of sinners, earth’s Redeemer, hear our plea
where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.
text by W. Chatterton Dix, 1866; music by Ludwig van Beethoven, 1824, ODE TO JOY

* 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

“Abide with Me”

Chancel Choir

Abide with me: fast falls the eventide;
the darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide:
when other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need thy presence ev’ry passing hour;
what but thy grace can foil the tempter’s pow’r?
Who like thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me.

O thou who changest not, abide with me.
In life, in death, O Lord, abide with me. Amen.
text by Henry F. Lyte, 1847; music by William H. Monk, 1861, EVENTIDE, arr. by Moses Hogan, 1999

*** 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 Luke 24:36-49**
p. 1052 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Olivia Oster (9:30)
David Wharton (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "Appearance of Risen Jesus"
Wil Nettleton, pastor of mission & worship

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

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.

Words of institution

Communion affirmation

Leader: O the unspeakable mysteries and treasures of mercy that are presented to us in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper! Here we have communion with God our Father who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

All: Here we have communion with our blessed Redeemer, as crucified and glorified, and offered to us, as our quickening, preserving, strengthening Head.

Leader: Here we have communion with the Holy Spirit, applying to our souls the benefits of redemption, drawing us to the Son, communicating light, life, and strength from him unto us, and increasing his graces in us.

All: Here we have communion with the body of Christ, his sanctified people. When we celebrate the Lord's Supper, we remember the finished work of Christ, receive nourishment, and anticipate the glory to come. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
adapted from The Practical Works of Richard Baxter, vol. 10 and The New City Catechism Devotional: God's Truth for Our Hearts and Minds

Prayer of consecration

Distribution of the elements

For the bread 500

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

For the cup

"O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go"

Instrumental meditation

arr. David Lowe

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #708)

Prayer of thanksgiving

* Hymn of response 598

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

* Benediction

* Congregational response

"Threefold Amen"

* Postlude

Improvisation on "Ode to Joy"

Richard Elliott

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – choral director

Joshua Knight – organ

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COME BACK TODAY at 6:00 p.m. to the sanctuary for Scripture & Song with our Chancel Choir. Nursery will be provided. Stay for a reception after the concert to celebrate Joy Gibbons as she retires, and to thank God for her faithful ministry.

THIS MAY, JOIN US FOR A SUMMER IN THE PSALMS, our new sermon series. Pick up a reading plan in the fellowship hall lobby, purchase a Psalms Scripture journal for \$12 if desired (register on Realm Connect), and listen to the two recent episodes on the Pillar & Ground podcast featuring Dr. Scott Jones. The reading plan begins May 12, with the first sermon in the series coming May 18.

OUR CLOSING WEDNESDAY NIGHT PICNIC will kick off the summer on May 7 at 5:45 p.m. at the Commons. Come enjoy hot dogs, chips, coleslaw, cookies, and vanilla pudding cups; regular dinner rates apply.

OUR HIGH SCHOOL MEXICO TEAM will be commissioned next Sunday, May 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Please come, pick up a prayer card, and support them as they prepare to partner with local ministries in Acapulco.

VBS IS COMING! We are excited to host VBS back on our church campus this summer, June 17–19, from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Registration is now open on Realm Connect for rising kindergarteners through rising sixth graders. Cost is \$20 per child and includes dinner. We still need volunteers! If you can help, please register on the separate event on Realm Connect.

THE PCA GENERAL ASSEMBLY needs your help. Our Tennessee Valley Presbytery will host the annual conference in Chattanooga from June 23–27, and many of our pastors and elders will attend. Volunteer slots are still available (load/unload, stuff bags, serve in nursery, chaperone youth, greet people, prep communion elements, etc.) ranging from two hours to all day. If you can serve, please visit the QR link to sign up.



AN MTW MEDICAL TEAM traveling to Ethiopia June 29–July 5 is looking for a medical provider to join their team. If you are interested, please contact Stephanie Young, stephanie@lmpc.org.

SAVE THE DATE FOR FAMILY CAMP on September 5–7. There will be a Saturday-only option. More information to come.

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

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Gini Love.

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, May 4

9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for adults (Redeemer class)	Room 211
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for youth & children	various locations
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults (Fellowship class).....	Room 211
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults (Kingdom class)	JHYB high school room
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults (Sojourners class)	Conference Room
6:00 p.m.	Scripture & Song	sanctuary
7:00 p.m.	Reception	fellowship hall

For more events this week, visit lmpc.org/events; for information on groups and classes, visit lmpc.org/groups.

UPDATE YOUR REALM CONNECT PHOTO

Did you know you can update your profile picture in Realm Connect? Keeping your photo current helps staff and church members, especially newcomers, feel more connected. Update your photo by logging in, going to More → your current photo or initials → My Profile → then tapping the pencil next to your picture at the top of the screen to either take a photo or choose one from your device. Need help? Contact onrealm@lmpc.org for assistance.

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.*

CONTACT US

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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.