



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

Presbyterian Church

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Draw forth my soul to yourself by the secret power of your love, as the sunshine in the spring draws creatures from their winter homes. Meet it halfway, draw me to yourself, like a compass is drawn to the north. Dispel the clouds that hide your love from me, or remove the scales that keep my eyes from beholding you. For only the beams that stream from your face, and the taste of your salvation, can make a soul say, Lord, now let your servant depart in peace. Amen. —from a prayer by Richard Baxter

JUNE 1, 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

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

arr. Ruth Coleman

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal #53)

Welcome and greetings

Keith Michaels, ruling elder

*** Call to worship**

based on Psalms 90 and 92

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

All: Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

Leader: It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.

All: For you make us glad by your deeds, O LORD; we sing for joy at the works of your hands. How great are your works, O LORD!

*** Hymn of praise 76, vv. 1, 2, 3, 5**

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"

*** 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.**

Call to offering

Luke 12:15

And he said to them, "Take care, and be on your guard against all covetousness,
for one's life does not consist in the abundance of his possessions."

Offertory

"Now Thank We All Our God"

Instrumental meditation

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;
who from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,
with ever-joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven—
the one eternal God, whom earth and heav'n adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

*text by Martin Rinkart, 1636; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1858; music by Johann Crüger, 1647, arr. Kristin
Campbell, 2007 © 2007 Lorenz Publishing Co., NUN DANKET*

*** 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 Psalm 34**

pp. 547-548 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

David Wharton (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 "Thanksgiving: An Exhortation, Invitation, and Guarantee"
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

Hymn of confession

"Come, Ye Sinners"

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and pow'r.

Refrain: I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms;
in the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him. *Refrain*

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden, lost and ruined by the fall;
if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all. *Refrain*
text by Joseph Hart, 1759; music from Walker's Southern Harmony, 1835

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on 1 Peter 2 and Galatians 2

Leader: Jesus Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. For we were like sheep going astray, but now we have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls.

All: We have been crucified with Christ and we no longer live, but Christ lives in us. The life we live in the body, we live by faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave himself for us.

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 "O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!" Instrumental meditation
arr. Kristin Campbell
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal #535)

For the cup 188, vv. 1, 2, 4 "Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting"

Prayer of thanksgiving

* Hymn of response 580 "Lead On, O King Eternal"

* Benediction

* Congregational response "Threefold Amen"

* Postlude Tuba Tune in D
C. S. Lang

Musicians for this week:

Joshua Knight – organ, piano

Cameron Wilcox – violin

Psalm 34

¹I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth. ²My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad. ³Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together! ⁴I sought the LORD, and he answered me and delivered me from all my fears. ⁵Those who look to him are radiant, and their faces shall never be ashamed. ⁶This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him and saved him out of all his troubles. ⁷The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.

⁸Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him! ⁹Oh, fear the LORD, you his saints, for those who fear him have no lack! ¹⁰The young lions suffer want and hunger; but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing. ¹¹Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD. ¹²What man is there who desires life and loves many days, that he may see good? ¹³Keep your tongue from evil and your lips from speaking deceit. ¹⁴Turn away from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

¹⁵The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and his ears toward their cry. ¹⁶The face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to cut off the memory of them from the earth. ¹⁷When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. ¹⁸The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit. ¹⁹Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD delivers him out of them all. ²⁰He keeps all his bones; not one of them is broken. ²¹Affliction will slay the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. ²²The LORD redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

SERMON NOTES

“Thanksgiving: An Exhortation, Invitation, and Guarantee”

1. **An exhortation:** God’s gracious deliverance exhorts us to praise and gratitude. (vv. 1-7)
2. **An invitation:** God’s marvelous goodness invites us to taste, trust, and turn. (vv. 8-14)
3. **A guarantee:** God’s attentive presence guarantees our sure hope of redemption. (vv. 15-22)

*Further Up, Further In,
Resources for
Continued Study*



WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR SUNDAY EVENING GATHERING today will be a time of prayer for our missionary partners at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room (church office building).

VIPS, JOIN THE PASTORS for ice cream in the chapel on Monday, June 2 at 6:30 p.m. Participate in a Q&A and learn more about the pastoral philosophy of ministry at LMPC. *VIPs is a group of mostly retired adults from Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church and the community.*

OUR FIRST WOMEN'S SUMMER SUPPER will be held at 6:00 p.m. on June 10 in individual homes. Please register on Realm Connect.

SING IN THE MEN'S OR WOMEN'S ENSEMBLE THIS SUMMER: We'd love to have you join us! Both ensembles will be under the direction of Joel Christie. This opportunity is for high school age and above. Men's Sunday singing dates are June 15, 22, 29, each with a Thursday evening rehearsal before. Women's Sunday singing dates are July 13, 20, 27, each with a Wednesday evening rehearsal before. Find details and register on Realm Connect if interested. Direct any questions to David Henry, davidh@lmpc.org.

LMPC'S MOTHER'S DAY OUT program is hiring teacher aides and substitute teachers for the 2025-2026 school year (Tuesdays and Thursdays only). For more information, please contact MDO Director Megan DeMoss at megan@lmpc.org.

MANY OF YOU ARE EAGER FOR THE LIBRARY'S REOPENING, but due to a delay with new shelving, it will be a little longer until library services resume. Please begin returning library books now to the return cart outside the library so we can integrate them with the collection when we begin reshelving. Thank you!

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, June 1

9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
4:00 p.m.	Middle school Bible study	JHYB
6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Gathering with missionary prayer	Conference Room

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

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 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.