



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
*Presbyterian Church*

**IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP**

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*Dear Lord, and shall thy Spirit rest in such a wretched heart as mine?  
Unworthy dwelling! Glorious guest! Favour astonishing, divine!  
When sin prevails, and gloomy fear, and hope almost expires in night,  
Lord, can thy Spirit then be here, great spring of comfort, life, and light?...*  
*Let thy kind Spirit in my heart forever dwell, O God of love,  
and light and heav'nly peace impart, sweet earnest of the joys above. —Anne Steele*

AUGUST 3, 2025 • FELLOWSHIP HALL SERVICE • 8:45 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

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**Welcome and greetings**

John Mark Scruggs, pastor of congregational care

**\* 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**

“Rejoice in All Your Works”

Every mouth that cries for food, every lung that yearns for breath,  
every eye that searches through the dark for light,  
all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food;  
from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

*Refrain:* O rejoice in all your works, King of heaven, King of earth!  
Every creature you have made declares your praise.  
We rejoice in all you've made, God of all sustaining grace;  
with the mountain, sky, and sea, we sing your praise.

Every tree that thirsts for rain, every bird that seeks its nest,  
every heart that waits in hope to be made glad,  
all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food;  
from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied. *Refrain*

May the pond'rings of my heart and the song upon my lips  
with the chorus of creation join in praise  
to the God who made all things, to the Spirit who sustains,  
to the Son who over all creation reigns. *Refrain*

*text based on Psalm 104, music by Wendell Kimbrough ©2014 Wendell Kimbrough, ARP, UBP, CCLI Lic. #152036*

### \* 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 hymn

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:  
hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm is past;  
safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on thee;  
leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on thee is stayed, all help from thee I bring;  
cover my defenseless head in the shadow of thy wing.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within:  
thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee;  
spring thou up within my heart, to all eternity.

*text by Charles Wesley, 1740; music by Greg Thompson, 2000*

\* **Scripture reading from 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5**  
*text printed in the bulletin*

Marianne Stern (8:45)  
Mary Kaufmann (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 Gospel-Shaped Church"  
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.*

*Those seated in the side sections will come forward to be served first, followed by the three center sections, beginning with those in the back rows and finishing with the front rows. Come down the center two aisles, partake of the elements, and return to your seat by the outside aisles. If you are unable to come forward for any reason, alert the elder circulating with the elements, and he will serve you at your seat. The bread is gluten-free and dairy-free. When you come to receive from this table of grace, please meditate on the words of the hymns and prepare your hearts as the musicians play and sing. Men and women will be available in the fellowship hall lobby to pray with you, should you desire that.*

### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**Hymn of confession** "Jesus Paid It All"

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small,  
child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."

*Refrain:* Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;  
sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

For nothing good have I whereby your grace to claim—  
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb. *Refrain*

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete,  
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat. *Refrain*  
text by Elvina M. Hall, 1865; music by DH, 2012

### **Silent prayers of confession**

God has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in Christ, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

### Words of institution

### Communion affirmation

Leader: Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, this Holy Supper we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, of communion, and of hope.

**All: We come in remembrance that our Lord Jesus Christ was sent by the Father into the world to take on flesh. By his righteous life, atoning death, and powerful resurrection, he has accomplished for us what we could not accomplish for ourselves.**

Leader: We come to have communion with our Lord Jesus Christ, who has promised to be with us always, even to the end of the world. He is the bread of heaven that nourishes our souls and the true vine in which we abide and bear fruit.

**All: We come in hope, believing that these signs are a pledge and foretaste of the wedding feast of the Lamb that we will enjoy when Christ's kingdom has fully come. We proclaim the Lord's death and profess his resurrection until he comes again. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*adapted from The Worship Sourcebook*

### Prayer of consecration

### Distribution of the elements

Songs for meditation

"Come, All Ye Pining, Hungry Poor"

Lord, we adore thy boundless grace, the heights and depths unknown, of pardon, life, and joy, and peace in thy beloved Son.

*Refrain:* Come, all ye pining, hungry poor, the Savior's bounty taste; behold a never-failing store for every willing guest.

O wondrous gifts of love divine, dear source of every good;  
Jesus, in thee what glories shine! How rich thy flowing blood! *Refrain*

*continued*

Here shall your numerous wants receive a free, a full supply;  
he has unmeasured bliss to give, and joys that never die. *Refrain*

*text by Anne Steele, 1716-1778; music by Brian T. Murphy, 2010*

“Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ”

Thy works, not mine, O Christ, speak gladness to this heart;  
they tell me all is done; they bid my fear depart.

*Refrain:* To whom, save thee, who canst alone  
for sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

Thy pains, not mine, O Christ, upon the shameful tree,  
have paid the law’s full price and purchased peace for me. *Refrain*

Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, has borne the awful load  
of sins that none in heav’n or earth could bear but God. *Refrain*

Thy righteousness, O Christ, alone can cover me:  
no righteousness avails save that which is of thee. *Refrain*  
*text by Horatius Bonar, 1857; music by Adam Wright, 2016 © 2016 The Corner Room*

**\* Prayer of thanksgiving**

**\* Hymn of praise**                      “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Come, thou fount of ev’ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise the mount! I’m fixed upon it, mount of God’s unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I’m come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand’ring from the fold of God:  
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I’m constrained to be;  
let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand’ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:  
here’s my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

*text by Robert Robinson, 1758; music by Asahel Nettleton, 1825*

**\* 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**

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**Musicians for this week:**

**William Darby** – vocals

**David Henry** – guitar, vocals

**Ellie Henry** – vocals

**Hannah Lutz** – viola

**Hannah Perry** – flute

**Jeremy Taylor** – piano

**NEW SERMON SERIES: *STEADFAST: LIVING WITH HOPE IN A HOSTILE WORLD***

In a world marked by hostility and uncertainty, the letters of 1 and 2 Thessalonians offer us a powerful call to steadfastness. Paul wrote these letters to a young community of believers: a church plant facing persecution and pressure. His words are full of pastoral encouragement, the truth of Jesus, and future hope as he explains the essential question, “What does it mean to live faithfully in light of Christ’s return?” From enduring suffering to embracing holiness, from building one another up to waiting with hope, the themes of our series *Steadfast* will prepare the church to remain rooted in the Gospel and ready for the day when the King returns in glory.

## **1 Thessalonians 1:1-5**

<sup>1</sup>Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. <sup>2</sup>We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers,

<sup>3</sup>remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>4</sup>For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, <sup>5</sup>because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake.

**SERMON NOTES**  
“The Gospel-Shaped Church”  
*1 Thessalonians 1:1-5*

1. The fuel for a Gospel-shaped church (vv. 1-2, 4-5)

- The constancy of prayer (v. 2)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- The assurance of sovereign love (vv. 1, 4)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- The work of Word and Spirit (v. 5)

2. The fruit of a Gospel-shaped church (v. 3)

- Faith that works
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Love that labors
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- Hope that endures



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## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**RIISING PRE-K CHILDREN AND PARENTS**, join pastors at 10:00 a.m. in the chapel this morning to prepare for entering the worship service.

**PARENTS OF RISING 6TH AND 9TH GRADERS**, join youth staff at 10:00 a.m. in Room 313 (old Upper Room) to hear about the upcoming ministry year.

**GATHER TO PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES** at 6:00 p.m. today at Watkins House, 1206 Cinderella Road, Lookout Mtn., GA.

**OUR NEW SERMON SERIES** on 1 and 2 Thessalonians begins today. If you would like to purchase a Scripture journal for \$5, you may do so in the sanctuary Narthex or fellowship hall lobby. Please do not take a journal before paying.

**TO CONCLUDE OUR SUMMER MISSIONS SERIES**, join us in the fellowship hall next Sunday at 6:00 p.m. to hear from supported missionaries Norm and Ruth Ann Leduc before they return to France.

**HOW WILL YOU "GIVE 2" AND SPEND YOUR SECOND HOUR** on Sunday mornings this fall? Come to our Open House on Sunday, August 10 at 10:00 a.m. to visit adult and elementary Sunday School classrooms and teachers, and connect with ministries in the chapel to consider how you might serve.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS SOON!** Sunday School for children, youth, and adults will begin on August 17 at 10:00 a.m. Find a full list of classes and locations at [lmpc.org/groups](http://lmpc.org/groups), where you may sort by category and age group. Get more information on classes next week at the Open House (see above).

**WOMEN, GET CONNECTED AT LMPC** at a Fall Kickoff, Tuesday, August 19 at 6:30 p.m. at Lookout Mountain Pizza Company. There will be dinner, a time of worship, and information about the ministry year. Register on Realm Connect by August 15 for \$15. Gluten-free/dairy-free options available.

**INTERESTED IN JOINING LMPC?** The next membership class will be held August 22-24. Please register on Realm Connect by August 15.

**FAMILY CAMP REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!** Join us September 5-7 at Alpine Camp (Saturday-only option available) for a weekend of worship, good food, and plenty of family time and outdoor activities. Visit [lmpc.org/family-camp](http://lmpc.org/family-camp) for more information, and register on Realm Connect.

*To find out more about happenings at LMPC, visit [lmpc.org/events](http://lmpc.org/events).*

## TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, August 3

8:45 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
10:00 a.m.	Parent/Child Orientation: Pre-K .....	chapel
10:00 a.m.	Parent Orientation: Youth (6-12th grade).....	room 313
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Gathering with missionary prayer .....	Watkins Mission House

For more events this week, visit [lmpc.org/events](http://lmpc.org/events); for information on groups and classes, visit [lmpc.org/groups](http://lmpc.org/groups).

### REALM CONNECT: SERVING PROFILE

How will you “Give 2” and spend your second hour on Sunday mornings this fall? Indicate your interests and skills in our Realm Connect app. Once logged in, tap on More (...), then Serving. Access your Serving Profile to browse Skills and Interests that apply to you. Additionally, browse Serving Opportunities by role or team to indicate your interest to volunteer leaders.

Don't have a Realm Connect account? Submit a request by visiting [lmpc.org/realm](http://lmpc.org/realm) or emailing [onrealm@lmpc.org](mailto:onrealm@lmpc.org).

### 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.