



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.*

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*

March 29, 2026 — Sanctuary Service

Order of Worship

Prelude

Six Variants on "Wondrous Love," 4. Fugue
Brenda Portman
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #261)

Welcome and greetings

Derek Halvorson, ruling elder

*** Call to worship**

from Zechariah 9 and Psalm 24

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!

**All: See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation,
gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.**

Leader: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in. Who is he, this King of glory?

All: The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

*** Hymn of praise 235**

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*** Prayer of adoration**

Affirmation of faith

Philippians 2:6–11

Leader: What do the Scriptures teach us about Jesus Christ?

All: **That he, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!**

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Call to confession

from Hebrews 10:19–22

Since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

Hymn of confession

“Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

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.

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome, God’s free bounty glorify;
true belief and true repentance, ev’ry grace that brings you nigh. *Refrain*

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him. *Refrain*
text by Joseph Hart, 1759; music from Walker’s Southern Harmony, 1835, RESTORATION

Prayer of confession

Leader: As we come to you today to confess our weakness and rebellion against you, we thank you that you have chosen to love desperate sinners like ourselves.

All: Your loving determination to rescue us from our sin gives us the courage to admit the profound depravity of our desires, thoughts, and actions.

Leader: We are people who want our kingdoms to come and our wills to be done.

All: Instead of pursuing your wisdom with all our strength, we are delighted by our own insights and impressed with our own understanding.

Leader: We try to earn your love rather than resting in the radiant worthiness of your Son.

All: Father, forgive us. Give us eyes to behold our risen Lamb, perfect, spotless, and worthy to receive all our worship, love, and praise.
adapted from Prone to Wander, Duguid

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.

* Hymn of assurance

“My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness”

1. My_ heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who bore my pain; who_
2. My_ heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who walks be-side; who_
3. My_ heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who reigns a-bove, whose
plumbed the depths of my dis-grace and gave me life a-gain; who_
floods my weak-ness-es with strength and caus-es fears to fly; whose
wis-dom is my per-fect peace, whose ev-'ry thought is love. For_
crushed my curse of sin-ful-ness, and clothed me in his light, and_
ev-'ry pro-mise is e-nough for ev-'ry step I take, sus-
ev-'ry day I have on earth is gi-ven by the King; so_
wrote his law of right-eous-ness with pow'r u-pon my heart.
tain-ing me with arms of love and crown-ing me with grace.
I will give my life, my all, to love and fol-low him.

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Call to offering

Deuteronomy 8:11-14

Be careful that you do not forget the LORD your God, failing to observe his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, then your heart will become proud and you will forget the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

Offertory

“Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me”

Chancel Choir

What gift of grace is Jesus, my Redeemer;
there is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus,
for my life is wholly bound to his.
O, how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

(continued)

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken,
for by my side, the Savior, he will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
for in my need his power is displayed.
To this I hold: my Shepherd will defend me;
through the deepest valley he will lead.
O, the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread; I know I am forgiven;
the future sure, the price, it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and he was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated;
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
O, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With ev'ry breath I long to follow Jesus,
for he has said that he will bring me home.
And day by day I know he will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus;
all the glory evermore to him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat:
yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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*** 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.**

*** Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

*** Scripture reading from 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

p. 114.2 in the pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Kim Starke (8:45)
Tucker Curtis (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "Needful Reminders of the Gospel"
Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response 253**, vv. 1, 3, 5 "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response** "Threefold Amen"

* **Postlude** Epilogue on "St. Theodulph"
Healey Willan
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #235)

Musicians for this week:

Brett Hyberger – choral director

Joshua Knight – organ, piano

IN MEMORIAM

Clarence Watson Wall

August 20, 1932 – March 23, 2026

The rosebud in the service today is for the birth of Nina Rosemary Thomas, born to Sylvie and Noah Thomas on March 21.

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

¹Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, ²and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you— unless you believed in vain. ³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures,

⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

⁹For I am the least of the apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

SERMON NOTES

“Needful Reminders of the Gospel”

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

1. The primacy of the Gospel (vv. 1-4)
 - Our deepest problem has been resolved!

2. The proof of the Gospel (vv. 5-8)
 - Our greatest enemy has been conquered!

3. The power of the Gospel (vv. 9-11)
 - Our lives are transformed by God’s amazing and empowering grace!

Further Up, Further In,
Resources for
Continued Study



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday Service

..... 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall*

Good Friday Service

..... 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary*

Easter Sunrise Service

..... 7:15 a.m. at Point Park (weather permitting)

Easter Sunday Services

..... 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary*

..... 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall*

No Sunday School for adults, youth, or children

No Evening Gathering or youth activities

**indicates nursery available*

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PALM BRANCHES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL at the entrances to the sanctuary and at the foot of the cross located in the courtyard. After the service, the branches may be placed in the cross. Next Sunday, the cross will be filled with flowers in celebration of Christ's resurrection. You are welcome to bring your own flowers on Easter to contribute to the cross, or to take one of the flowers that will be available and place it in the cross. The cross is provided by Catherine and Charlie Walldorf in loving memory of Flora Walldorf, Dick Fowler, Jacob Walldorf, Elise Crates, and Mike Irwin.

THERE WILL BE LIMITED WEDNESDAY EVENING activities on April 1 due to Holy Week: Chancel Choir will rehearse and Wednesday Evening Prayer will be held.

SUPPORTED UK CHURCH PLANTER MALC CLARK will give a report at 6:15 p.m. in the chapel on April 8, following Wednesday dinner. It will conclude at 7:00 p.m. to allow parents to pick their children up from kids' club and nursery. So participants may attend, Wednesday Evening Prayer will not meet. Join us!

MOMS OF ALL STAGES, join us for "Moms' Coffee" on Friday, April 10 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the chapel for breakfast, fellowship, and a panel discussion. Beth Cappechi, Amy Fowler, Julia Glover, and Erin Hatcliff will discuss "Hopeful Parenting in Difficult Seasons," based on their professional and personal experience. Nursery is available for infants-PreK. No registration is required.

VIPS, JOIN US FOR A DAY TRIP to the Beechcraft Heritage Museum on Thursday, April 16. Enjoy a guided tour and lunch at the Sundrop Shoppe. Cost of \$15 includes the tour and travel (lunch not included). Register on Realm Connect by March 31. We will meet at LMPC at 9:00 a.m. and return by 5:00 p.m. *The VIP group is made up of mostly retired adults (ages 65+) from LMPC and the community.*

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, March 29

8:45 a.m.	Worship service.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
10:00 a.m.	Sunday school for children.....	children's classrooms
10:00 a.m.	Sunday school for youth	JHYB
10:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults - Fellowship class.....	Room 213
10:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults - Kingdom class	chapel
10:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults - Redeemer class	Room 211
10:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults - Sojourner class	Room 313
10:00 a.m.	Elder Prayer (pray with an elder and his wife)	Room 212
11:00 a.m.	Worship service.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
3:00 p.m.	Handbell Ensemble practice	Choir Room

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.*

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