



# LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

## *Presbyterian Church*

### IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Grant me, even me, my dearest Lord, to know thee and love thee and rejoice in thee.  
Let the knowledge of thee increase in me here, that it may be full hereafter. Let the love of  
thee grow every day more and more here, that it may be perfect hereafter; that my joy may  
be great in itself and full in thee. I know, O God, that thou art a God of truth.*

*O make good thy gracious promises to me, that my joy may be full. Amen.*

*—St. Augustine*

MAY 3, 2026 • 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**

Aaron Tolson, pastor of youth ministries

**\* 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**

"Our Great God"

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown;  
your boundless love, unfailing, in grace and mercy shown.  
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne;  
they raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

*Refrain:* Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!  
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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm;  
surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms.  
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm;  
rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our sov'reign God. *Refrain*

Let ev'ry creature in the sea and ev'ry flying bird,  
let ev'ry mountain, ev'ry field and valley of the earth,  
let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe  
sing praises to the living God who rules them by his Word. *Refrain*

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**\* 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**

**"Come Away from Rush and Hurry"**

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace;  
from our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ and find release.  
Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace;  
come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face.

In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our souls.  
From the waters of his mercy we drink deeply, are made whole.  
At the table of his presence all his saints are richly fed.  
With the oil of his anointing into service we are led.

Come, then, children, with your burdens, life's confusions, fears, and pain.  
Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead his Kingdom's reign.  
Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them; he alone will satisfy.  
All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die.

text by Marva J. Dawn, 1999; music by Caleb Fincher and Kara Young, 2019

**\* Scripture reading from John 6:1-15**

*text printed in the bulletin*

Kent Wingfield (8:45)  
Meredith Lindquist (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 Feeding of the 5000”

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.*

*The ushers will direct you by row to come forward down the center aisles. After coming forward, you will 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**

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God:  
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:  
did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

*text by Isaac Watts, 1707; traditional English melody*

### **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:** 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

Songs for meditation

“Great Is Thy Faithfulness”

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;  
there is no shadow of turning with thee;  
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Refrain:* Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
all I have needed thy hand hath provided—  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
join with all nature in manifold witness  
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

*continued*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,  
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*  
*text by Thomas O. Christholm, 1923; music by DH, 2023*

“Christ, Our Wisdom”

Christ, our wisdom, we are humbled when you hide your ways from us;  
you have purposes unnumbered, each one good and glorious.  
Help us trust when we grow weary, free us from our anxious thoughts;  
give us grace to see more clearly; you are God, and we are not.

Christ, our wisdom, be our gladness when we fail to understand;  
you ordain all joy and sadness to fulfill your perfect plan.  
Help us know you rule with power over ev’ry raging flood;  
in our most uncertain hour, you are God, and we are loved.

Christ, our wisdom, we will follow though the way ahead is veiled;  
as we journey through the shadows, grant us faith where sight has failed.  
Help us cling to your commandments, strengthened by your faithful Word;  
we will never be abandoned; you are God, and we are yours.

Christ, our wisdom, we adore you for the beauty of the cross;  
once in foolishness we scorned you, but your blood has ransomed us.  
Help us sing the endless mercies of your humble heart to save;  
Christ our wisdom, Christ our glory, you are God, forever praise.  
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**\* Prayer of thanksgiving**

**\* Hymn of praise**

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain”

And can it be that I should gain an int’rest in the Savior’s blood?  
Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
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He left his Father’s throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!),  
humbled himself (so great his love!), and bled for all his chosen race.  
’Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.  
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine!  
Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,  
bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.  
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
*text by Charles Wesley, 1738; music by Thomas Campbell, 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:**

**Xaris Emmett** – violin

**David Henry** – guitar, vocals

**Ellie Henry** – vocals

**Maddie Lee** – vocals

**Hannah Lutz** – viola

**Jeremy Taylor** – piano

**The rosebud in the service today** is for the birth of William Owen Morton, born to Hendley and Hugh Morton on April 22.

## John 6:1-15

<sup>1</sup>After this Jesus went away to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, which is the Sea of Tiberias.  
<sup>2</sup>And a large crowd was following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing on the sick.  
<sup>3</sup>Jesus went up on the mountain, and there he sat down with his disciples. <sup>4</sup>Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand. <sup>5</sup>Lifting up his eyes, then, and seeing that a large crowd was coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread, so that these people may eat?” <sup>6</sup>He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he would do.

<sup>7</sup>Philip answered him, “Two hundred denarii worth of bread would not be enough for each of them to get a little.” <sup>8</sup>One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, <sup>9</sup>“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish, but what are they for so many?”

<sup>10</sup>Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down, about five thousand in number. <sup>11</sup>Jesus then took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated. So also the fish, as much as they wanted. <sup>12</sup>And when they had eaten their fill, he told his disciples, “Gather up the leftover fragments, that nothing may be lost.” <sup>13</sup>So they gathered them up and filled twelve baskets with fragments from the five barley loaves left by those who had eaten.

<sup>14</sup>When the people saw the sign that he had done, they said, “This is indeed the Prophet who is to come into the world!” <sup>15</sup>Perceiving then that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, Jesus withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

**SERMON NOTES**  
“The Feeding of the 5000”  
*John 6:1-15*

1. The need — too big (vv. 1-6)
2. The resources — too little (vv. 7-9)
3. The provision — too much (vv. 10-13)
4. The perception — too shallow (vv. 14-15)



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## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THE CONCLUSION OF OUR REDEEMING TECHNOLOGY** Conference will be an overview and Q&A in the fellowship hall today at 10:00 a.m. with Robert Cunningham.

**SCRIPTURE & SONG**, featuring our Chancel Choir, Children's Choir, Girls' Ensemble, and Handbell Ensemble, will be held today at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. *Bring your kids! We'll have a special bulletin just for them to follow along and engage with the music and stories, and nursery will also be available.*

**THE WEDNESDAY EVENING CLOSING PICNIC** will be held on May 6, 5:45 p.m. at The Commons. Bring the whole family; regular dinner prices apply.

**THE FULL SLATE OF OFFICER CANDIDATES** for the class of 2029 was elected by the congregation on April 26. They will be installed as officers in the morning services on Sunday, May 17.

**THE LAST MEN'S BOOK DISCUSSION** of the semester will be held on Thursday, May 14 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 211. Discussion will continue on Brian Stanley's *The Bible and the Flag*.

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR THE SUMMER:** The last day of Sunday School is May 17, so we will move to the non-Sunday School schedule beginning May 24. Moving forward, when we have Sunday School, our worship services will be held at 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. When we do not, worship services will be held at 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**DO YOU LOVE TO SING?** High schoolers and adults are invited to join in on the Women's and Men's Ensembles this summer. Men will practice and sing in June, and women in July. See full schedules and register on Realm Connect.

**VBS REGISTRATION IS OPEN** on Realm Connect. Rising kindergarteners through rising sixth graders, join us July 21–23 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. for dinner, worship, and activity rotations. Volunteer registration is also open; please sign up if you can help.

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

## TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, May 3

8:45 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	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.	Combined adult Sunday school class .....	fellowship hall
10:00 a.m.	Elder Prayer (pray with an elder and his wife) .....	Room 212
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
3:00 p.m.	Handbell Ensemble practice .....	Choir Room
4:00 p.m.	Middle school small groups.....	various locations
6:00 p.m.	Scripture and Song (children welcome) .....	sanctuary

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).

### SET UP GIVING IN REALM CONNECT

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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. Devices to amplify sound are available. If you would like one, please arrive a few minutes early and ask an usher to assist you.