



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

Presbyterian Church

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Grant unto us, Almighty God, of thy good Spirit, that quiet heart and that patient lowliness to which thy comforting Spirit comes; that we, being humble toward thee and loving toward one another, may have our hearts prepared for that peace of thine which passeth understanding; which, if we have, the storms of life can hurt us but little and the cares of life vex us not at all; in presence of which death shall lose its sting and the grave its terror; and we, in calm joy, walk all the days of our appointed time, until our great change shall come. Amen.—George Dawson

MAY 10, 2026 . SANCTUARY SERVICE

* Congregation standing as you are able

Order of Worship

Prelude

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

arr. Douglas Smith

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #345)

Welcome and greetings

Brian Salter, lead pastor

* Call to worship

from Psalm 89:8-9, 11, 14, 52

Leader: O LORD God Almighty, who is like you?

**All: You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you.
You rule over the surging sea; when its waves mount up, you still
them. The heavens are yours, and yours also the earth; you founded
the world and all that is in it.**

Leader: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you.

All: Praise be to the LORD forever! Amen and Amen.

* Hymn of praise 92, vv. 1, 2, 4

“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and pow’r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
were not the right man on our side, the man of God’s own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever.

based on Psalm 46, text and music by Martin Luther, 1529; EIN'FESTE BURG

* Prayer of adoration

New member vows

Sacrament of baptism

Matthew Endlich

Call to confession

Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea.

Prayer of confession

Leader: O Lord, as long as I am apart from you, I am self-satisfied, because I have no standard by which to measure my low stature. But when I come near to you, there I see myself clearly.

All: **In your light, I behold my darkness.**
 In your purity, I behold my corruption.
 O Lord, let me gaze on you more and more—
 until, in the vision of your brightness, I loathe the sight of my
 impurity; until, in the blaze of your glory, I fall to my knees,
 blinded and broken, to rise again as a new creation in you.
 adapted from a prayer by George Matheson

Silent prayers of confession

* Assurance of God's pardoning grace

Romans 5:1-2

Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

* **Hymn of assurance 172, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5**

“Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder”

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior’s name!
He has hushed the law’s loud thunder, he has quenched Mount Sinai’s flame:
he has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies,
called us by his grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes:
he has washed us with his blood, he presents our souls to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice join and point to mercy’s store;
when through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more:
he who washed us with his blood has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high;
here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky:
“You have washed us with your blood; you are worthy, Lamb of God!”
text by John Newton, 1774; music from Darmstadt Gesangbuch, 1698, ALL SAINTS OLD

Worship in the giving of God’s tithe and our offerings

Offertory

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Instrumental meditation

arr. Douglas Smith

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #295)

* **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 John 6:16–21**

Michal Parsley

¹⁶When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, ¹⁷got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. ¹⁸The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. ¹⁹When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were frightened.

²⁰But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” ²¹Then they were glad to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat was at the land to which they were going.

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"Jesus Walks on Water"
Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

Jesus is the sovereign One who:

1. finds us in our darkest moments. (vv. 16-19)
2. frees us from our deepest fears. (vv. 19-21)

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response 128

"God Moves in a Mysterious Way"

God moves in a mysterious way his wonders to perform;
he plants his footsteps in the sea, and rides upon the storm.

Deep in unfathomable mines of never-failing skill
he treasures up his bright designs, and works his sovereign will.

Ye fearful saints, fresh courage take; the clouds ye so much dread
are big with mercy, and shall break in blessings on your head.

Judge not the Lord by feeble sense, but trust him for his grace;
behind a frowning providence he hides a smiling face.

His purposes will ripen fast, unfolding ev'ry hour;
the bud may have a bitter taste, but sweet will be the flow'r.

Blind unbelief is sure to err, and scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter, and he will make it plain.
text by William Cowper, 1774; music from the Scottish Psalter, 1615, DUNDEE

* Benediction

* Congregational response

"Threefold Amen"

* Postlude

Chorale Prelude on Gelobt sei Gott
Healey Willan
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #270)

Musicians for this week:

Amalia Hartline – flute
Nick Hartline – clarinet

Joshua Knight – organ

Celebrating the baptism of Matthew Endlich at the 11:00 service in the sanctuary today are his parents, Amy and J. B. Endlich.

Celebrating the baptisms of Georgia Grace Weeks Wilson and Lawrence Alexander Wilson IV at the 8:45 service in the fellowship hall today are their parents, Hannah and Alex Wilson, and their grandparents, Dawn and Jay Jumper and Caroline and Larry Wilson.

IN MEMORIAM

Geraldine “Geri” Elizabeth Gibbs Morrow

August 9, 1921 – April 30, 2026

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OUR SUNDAY EVENING GATHERING today will be a time of prayer for our missions partners in Room 211 at 6:00 p.m.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE CHANGES FOR THE SUMMER: 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. The last day of Sunday School is May 17, so we will move to the non-Sunday School schedule beginning May 24.

CENTRAL ASIA TRIP REPORT & UGANDA TEAM COMMISSIONING: On Sunday, May 17 at 6:00 p.m., gather in the fellowship hall to hear from Pastors Brian and Wil, along with Tripp Johnston and Keith Michaels, about how God is working in Central Asia. We will also pray for the High School Uganda Team leaving at the end of May. Evening Communion will resume in June.

OUR FIRST WOMEN'S SUMMER SUPPER will be held at 6:00 p.m. on June 11 in individual homes. Please register on Realm Connect and, if you're able to host, email Caroline: caroline@lmpc.org. Look for another summer supper coming on July 14.

DO YOU LOVE TO SING? High schoolers and adults are invited to join either the Women's or 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.

