



# LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

## *Presbyterian Church*

### IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*Gracious God, lover of the world, you are the one willing to suffer so that we might be healed, willing to stoop to us in our misery, so that we might stand tall as loved sons and daughters. You have served us even when we were unwilling to serve you, and longed for us even when we had ignored you. Surely you are a surprising God and a God of amazing grace.*

*We praise and thank you.*

—The Worship Sourcebook

MAY 31, 2026 • FELLOWSHIP HALL 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

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**Welcome and greetings**

Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

**\* Call to worship**

1 Chronicles 29:10b-13

**Leader:** Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting.

**All:** **Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all.**

**Leader:** Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

**All:** **Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.**

**\* Hymn of praise**

“This Is My Father’s World”

This is my Father’s world, and to my list’ning ears,  
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father’s world: I rest me in the thought  
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father’s world, the birds their carols raise,  
the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker’s praise.  
This is my Father’s world: he shines in all that’s fair;  
in the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget  
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done;  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav'n be one.  
*text by Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901; music by Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915*

**\* Prayer of adoration**

**Affirmation of faith** (9:30)

The Heidelberg Catechism, question one

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**All:** That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death,  
to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins  
with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the  
devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall  
from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all  
things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to  
him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes  
me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

**Sacrament of baptism** (11:00)

Lauren and Jeff Basey bringing Isaac Lee Basey

**Call to confession**

from Romans 13 and Acts 3

Let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.  
Clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to  
gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

Repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of  
refreshing may come from the Lord.

**Hymn of confession** (9:30)

“God, Be Merciful to Me”

God, be merciful to me, on thy grace I rest my plea;  
plenteous in compassion thou, blot out my transgressions now;  
wash me, make me pure within, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.

My transgressions I confess, grief and guilt my soul oppress;  
I have sinned against thy grace and provoked thee to thy face;  
I confess thy judgment just, speechless, I thy mercy trust.

Broken, humbled to the dust by thy wrath and judgment just,  
let my contrite heart rejoice and in gladness hear thy voice;  
from my sins O hide thy face, blot them out in boundless grace.

*continued*

Gracious God, my heart renew, make my spirit right and true;  
cast me not away from thee, let thy Spirit dwell in me;  
thy salvation's joy impart, steadfast make my willing heart.  
*text from The Psalter, 1912; music by Christopher Miner, 1997*

### **Silent prayers of confession**

#### **\* Assurance of God's pardoning grace**

from 1 Peter 1

You know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

#### **\* Hymn of assurance**

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

’Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word;  
just to rest upon his promise; just to know, “Thus saith the Lord.”

*Refrain:* Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I’ve proved him o’er and o’er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood;  
just in simple faith to plunge me ’neath the healing, cleansing flood! *Refrain*

Yes, ’tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;  
just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace. *Refrain*  
*text by Louisa M. R. Stead, 1882; music by William J. Kirkpatrick, 1882*

### **Worship in the giving of God's tithe and our offerings**

#### **Offertory hymn**

“Christ, Our Wisdom”  
(see facing page for words and music)

“Christ, Our Wisdom”



1.Christ, our wis - dom, we are hum - bled when you hide your ways from us; you have  
2.Christ, our wis - dom, be our glad - ness when we fail to un - der stand; you or -  
3.Christ, our wis - dom, we will fol - low though the way a - head is veiled; as we  
4.Christ, our wis - dom, we a - dore you for the beau - ty of the cross; once in



pur - pos - es un - num - bered, each one good and glo - ri - ous. Help us  
dain all joy and sad - ness to ful - fill your per - fect plan. Help us  
jour - ney through the shad - ows, grant us faith where sight has failed. Help us  
fool - ish - ness we scorned you, but your blood has ran - somed us. Help us



trust when we grow wea - ry, free us from our anx - ious thoughts; give us  
know you rule with pow - er o - ver ev - 'ry rag - ing flood; in our  
cling to your com - mand - ments, strenth - ened by your faith - ful word; we will  
sing the end - less mer - cies of your hum - ble heart to save; Christ our



grace to see more clear - ly; you are God, and we are not.  
most un - cer - tain hour, you are God, and we are loved.  
nev - er be a - ban - doned; you are God, and we are yours.  
wis - dom, Christ our glo - ry, you are God, for - ev - er praise.

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**\* Scripture reading from John 6:60-71**

*text printed in the bulletin*

Susie Courtney (9:30)

David Fowler (11:00)

**This is the Word of the Lord.**

**Thanks be to God.**

**Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word**

**Sermon**

“To Whom Shall We Go?”

Wil Nettleton, pastor of mission & worship

**Pastoral prayer**

**\* Hymn of response**

“Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken”

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee;  
destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shalt be.  
Perish ev’ry fond ambition, all I’ve sought or hoped or known;  
yet how rich is my condition: God and heav’n are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me; they have left my Savior too.  
Human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like them, untrue.  
O while thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,  
foes may hate and friends disown me; show thy face, and all is bright.

Soul, then know thy full salvation, rise o’er sin and fear and care;  
joy to find in ev’ry station something still to do or bear.  
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father’s smiles are thine!  
Think that Jesus died to win thee; child of heav’n, canst thou repine?

Hasten on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;  
heav’n’s eternal days before me, God’s own hand shall guide me there.  
Soon shall close my earthly mission, swift shall pass my pilgrim days;  
hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.  
*text by Henry F. Lyte, 1824, 1833; music by Bill Moore, 2001*

**\* 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:**

**Eleanor Caines** – vocals  
**Wesley Heinecke** – violin  
**David Henry** – guitar, vocals

**Maddie Lee** – piano  
**Hannah Lutz** – viola  
**Emmie Thompson** – vocals

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**ELECTIVES RELEASE ON THE PODCAST:** Beginning tomorrow, June 1, and continuing on Mondays throughout the summer, full class recordings of the fall 2025 and spring 2026 adult electives will be released on the Pillar & Ground podcast. Catch up on the classes you missed.

**PASTOR WIL NETTLETON** is taking a much-deserved sabbatical from June 1 until August 31. Please pray for his rest. If you see him in the community, feel free to greet him. However, please protect him from the work and business of the church for this season. If you need assistance, contact Wil's assistant, Jennifer Thompson ([jenniferthompson@lmpc.org](mailto:jenniferthompson@lmpc.org) or 423-424-4099), who will direct you to someone to help with your specific need.

**SUMMER IN THE PSALMS:** Next Sunday, June 7, we will resume our sermon series in Psalms. Like last summer, we have a reading plan for you to use during the week in preparation for each Sunday. Pick up a paper copy in the sanctuary Narthex or fellowship hall lobby, or find it digitally at [lmpc.org](http://lmpc.org).

**POPSICLES ON THE PLAYGROUND:** Meet up at The Commons every Wednesday in June from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., beginning this week. Fellowship with other women and bring your young kids!

**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. Look for another summer supper coming on July 14.

**WE HAVE TWO BOOK CLUB DATES** for women this summer: June 23 and July 30. Choose a book to read, and sign up for the corresponding meeting at a local restaurant for dinner. Find more information and register on Realm Connect to make your selection. Books for June: *Capable*, *The Art of Disagreeing*, *From the Valley We Rise*, & *Being Elisabeth Elliot*.

**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.

**FAMILY CAMP REGISTRATION IS OPEN NOW** on Realm Connect, to help you plan early! Due to feedback received last year, we will implement a two-payment plan, giving you the option to pay half now and the remaining half the week before camp (capping at \$400 per family). This year's Family Camp is the weekend of September 11-13. Questions? Contact Josh Brower: [josh@lmpc.org](mailto:josh@lmpc.org). More information can be found at [lmpc.org/family-camp](http://lmpc.org/family-camp).

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

## John 6:60-71

<sup>60</sup>When many of his disciples heard it, they said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?"  
<sup>61</sup>But Jesus, knowing in himself that his disciples were grumbling about this, said to them, "Do you take offense at this? <sup>62</sup>Then what if you were to see the Son of Man ascending to where he was before? <sup>63</sup>It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh is no help at all. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life. <sup>64</sup>But there are some of you who do not believe." (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.)  
<sup>65</sup>And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

<sup>66</sup>After this many of his disciples turned back and no longer walked with him. <sup>67</sup>So Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you want to go away as well?" <sup>68</sup>Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life, <sup>69</sup>and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God." <sup>70</sup>Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil." <sup>71</sup>He spoke of Judas the son of Simon Iscariot, for he, one of the twelve, was going to betray him.

**Celebrating the baptism** of Isaac Lee Basey at the 11:00 service in the fellowship hall today are his parents, Lauren and Jeff Basey, and his grandparents, Terry and David Stitzlein and Melodie and Lee Basey.

**SERMON NOTES**  
“To Whom Shall We Go?”  
*John 6:60-71*

1. The difficulty of Jesus’ teaching (vv. 60-62, 66)
2. The necessity of divine intervention (vv. 63-65)
3. The essence of true faith (vv. 67-71)



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## TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, May 31

9:30 a.m.	Worship service.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
10:30 a.m.	Elder Prayer (pray with an elder and his wife) .....	Room 212
11:00 a.m.	Worship service.....	sanctuary & fellowship hall

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).

### JOIN THE CHURCH DIRECTORY

Our online church directory allows our members to easily find contact information for one another. And it is private, which means it is only accessible through a Realm Connect account. If you do not have an account, or if you have hidden your information, others in the church cannot find you. Find more details on joining and using Realm Connect at [lmpc.org/realms](http://lmpc.org/realms).

### 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.