



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 14, 2019 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. | *Palm Sunday*

Order of Worship

Prelude "Jesus Shall Reign" Handbells and organ
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #441)

Welcome and greetings Derek Halvorson, President of Covenant College

Introit "Sanctus and Benedictus" Girls Ensemble

Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might.
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
text and music by Allen Pote

*** Call to worship** based on Psalm 22

Leader: I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters; in the congregation I will praise you. All who fear the LORD, praise him! Revere him, all you descendants of Israel!

All: **From you, O LORD, comes the theme of our praise in the great assembly.**

Leader: All the ends of the earth will remember and turn to the LORD, and all the families of the nations will bow down before him, for dominion belongs to the LORD and he rules over the nations.

All: **Posterity will serve him; future generations will be told about the LORD. They will proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn.**

*** Hymn of praise 235** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*** Prayer of adoration**

Sacrament of baptism (9:30)

Gretchen and Frederick Doe bringing Evermore Nicodemus Doe

Call to confession

taken 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.

Prayer of confession

Leader: O Lord, who on this day entered the rebellious city that later rejected you, we confess that our wills are as rebellious as Jerusalem's, that our faith is often more show than substance, and that our hearts are in need of cleansing.

All: **Have mercy on us, Son of David, Savior of our lives. Help us to lay at your feet all that we have and all that we are, trusting you to forgive what is sinful, to heal what is broken, to welcome our praises, and to receive us as your own. Hear us now as we silently confess our sins to you.**

adapted from The Worship Sourcebook, p. 592

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on Colossians 2:10, 13-15

We have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. When we were dead in our sins and in the uncircumcision of our sinful nature, God made us alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

* Hymn of assurance 264, vv. 1, 2, 4

"Jesus, Keep Me near the Cross"

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

Offertory

"Festival Procession for Palm Sunday"
arr. Richard Frey

Handbells and organ

* Doxology 731

* Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving

* **Scripture reading from Mark 15:21-41**
p. 1583 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Dan Wykoff (9:30)
Ed Salter (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 Cross and the Confession"
Aaron Tolson, pastor of high school ministry

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response** "The Power of the Cross"
(words and music may be found on the following page)

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response** "Threefold Amen"

* **Postlude** "Lift High the Cross"
Carolyn Hamlin

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – director, piano **Joshua Knight** – organ

GIRLS ENSEMBLE

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| Amy Allison | McKenna Jarrad , assistant | Ruth Shivy |
| Kaitlyn Allison | Joanna Kvale | Victoria Wardell |
| Jordan Bruce | Hallie Blair Quatro , assistant | Adalynn Wykoff |

HANDBELL ENSEMBLE

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| Christie Dodson | Jennifer Mixon | Evelyn Sizemore | Jennifer West |
| Dowling King | Julie Reinink | Susan Smisson | Stephanie Wharton |

"The Power of the Cross"



1.O, to see the dawn of the dark - est day; Christ on the
 2.O, to see the pain writ - ten on your face, bear - ing the
 3.Now the day - light flees; now the ground be - neath quakes as its
 4.O, to see my name writ - ten in the wounds, for through your



road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men, torn and beat - en
 awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought, ev - ery ev - il
 Ma - ker bows his head. Cur - tain torn in two, dead are raised to
 suf - fering I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to



then nailed to a cross of wood. This the pow'r of the
 deed crown - ing your blood-stained brow.
 life "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.
 live, won through your self - less love!



cross; 1,2,3.Christ be - came sin for us. Took the
 4.Son of God slain for us. What a



blame, bore the wrath; We stand for - giv - en at the cross.
 love, what a cost!

Mark 15:21-41

²¹A certain man from Cyrene, Simon, the father of Alexander and Rufus, was passing by on his way in from the country, and they forced him to carry the cross. ²²They brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means The Place of the Skull). ²³Then they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴And they crucified him. Dividing up his clothes, they cast lots to see what each would get. ²⁵It was the third hour when they crucified him. ²⁶The written notice of the charge against him read: THE KING OF THE JEWS. ²⁷They crucified two robbers with him, one on his right and one on his left. ²⁹Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads and saying, "So! You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, ³⁰come down from the cross and save yourself!" ³¹In the same way the chief priests and the teachers of the law mocked him among themselves. "He saved others," they said, "but he can't save himself! ³²Let this Christ, this King of Israel, come down now from the cross, that we may see and believe." Those crucified with him also heaped insults on him.

³³At the sixth hour darkness came over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "*Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?*"—which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" ³⁵When some of those standing near heard this, they said, "Listen, he's calling Elijah." ³⁶One man ran, filled a sponge with wine vinegar, put it on a stick, and offered it to Jesus to drink. "Now leave him alone. Let's see if Elijah comes to take him down," he said. ³⁷With a loud cry, Jesus breathed his last. ³⁸The curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom.

³⁹And when the centurion, who stood there in front of Jesus, heard his cry and saw how he died, he said, "Surely this man was the Son of God!" ⁴⁰Some women were watching from a distance. Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. ⁴¹In Galilee these women had followed him and cared for his needs. Many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem were also there.

SERMON NOTES

“The Cross and the Confession”

Mark 15:21-41

1. Crucifixion: God’s wrath is satisfied. (vv. 21-32)
2. Curtain: Access to God is granted. (vv. 33-38)
3. Centurion: Truth about God is proclaimed. (v. 39)

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Celebrating the baptism of Evermore Nicodemus Doe at the 9:30 a.m. service in the sanctuary today are his parents, Gretchen and Frederick Doe.

Celebrating the baptism of Liza Grace Brooks at the 9:30 a.m. service in the fellowship hall today are her parents, Meredith and Jay Brooks, her grandparents, Caroline and Hugh Morrow, and Abbie and Jay Brooks, and her great-grandmother, Irene Stone.

Palm branches are available for all at the entrances to the sanctuary. After the service, the branches may be placed in the cross located in the church courtyard. 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 carnations that will be available at the foot of the cross and place it in the cross. The cross is provided by Catherine and Charlie Walldorf in loving memory of Flora Walldorf.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday Communion Service

.....7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall*

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

.....7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary*

Easter Sunrise Service

.....7:00 a.m. at Point Park (meet in the sanctuary in case of rain)

Easter Morning Coffee and Donuts

.....7:30 a.m. in the Jane Harris Youth Building

Easter Sunday Services

.....8:10 a.m. in the chapel*

.....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 Prayer or youth activities

**indicates nursery available*

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL VIPS ARE INVITED TO JOIN US for dinner on Thursday, April 25 at Café on the Corner, and then enjoy a CSO Masterworks Concert at the Tivoli. The cost for dinner and the performance will be \$35 per person; the cost for dinner only will be \$20. Please RSVP by this Thursday, April 18, by registering at lmpc.org/vip or through the LMPC church office. The VIP group is made up of mostly retired adults (ages 60+) from LMPC and the community who meet monthly for fun and fellowship.

ALL ARE INVITED TO AN EVENING OF MUSIC with our Chancel Choir on Sunday, April 28, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. It will be a celebration of Scripture and song with the theme of "He calls us, he keeps us, he carries us home." Nursery is provided.

ALL ADULT MEN ARE INVITED TO OUR NEXT MEN'S STEAK NIGHT on Thursday, May 9, at the homes of men in the church. Of course, your friends are invited too. Just send an email by Friday, May 3, to mountainmen@lmpc.org to RSVP and to tell us who is coming with you.

ARE YOU OR SOMEONE IN YOUR FAMILY GRADUATING THIS YEAR? College and high school graduates: Please send your name and the name of the school from which you are graduating this spring to margaret@lmpc.org no later than Monday, May 6 to be published in our bulletin.

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, April 14

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| 8:10 a.m. | Worship service | <i>chapel</i> |
| 9:30 a.m. | Worship service | <i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i> |
| 9:30 a.m. | Sunday school for all ages..... | <i>various locations</i> |
| 10:30 a.m. | Elders are available to pray for your needs..... | <i>Brian Salter's office</i> |
| 11:00 a.m. | Worship service | <i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i> |
| 11:00 a.m. | Sunday school for all ages..... | <i>various locations</i> |
| 4:30 p.m. | Middle school small groups | <i>JHYB</i> |
| 6:00 p.m. | Evening prayer | <i>chapel</i> |
| 7:30 p.m. | High school youth group | <i>JHYB</i> |

Nursery is available at all morning services.

Children of any age are welcome to participate in worship services. Crayons and activity sheets relevant to today's sermon are available in the narthex and at the front of the sanctuary.

For more events this week, visit lmpc.org/calendar.

If you are new to LMPC, haven't contacted us for a while, or want to get more involved here, please fill out a welcome card from the pew in front of you and place it in the offering plate when it passes.

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 the morning services and in lieu of evening prayer on the third Sunday of every month.

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