



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 6, 2019 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**WELCOME TO LMPC!** *We're so glad you are with us today. Please use the welcome card from the pew rack in front of you to share important information with us. 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 the crayons and activity sheets relevant to today's sermon that are provided for children each week.*

## Order of Worship

**Prelude**

*"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"  
arr. Ovid Young*

**Welcome and greetings**

Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

**\* Call to worship**

based on Psalms 90 and 92

**Leader:** Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations. Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

**All:** **Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.**

**Leader:** It is good to praise the LORD and make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your faithfulness at night.

**All:** **For you make us glad by your deeds, O LORD; we sing for joy at the works of your hands. How great are your works, O LORD!**

**\* Hymn of praise 76, vv. 1, 3, 4, 5**

*"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven"*

**\* 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**

*"Open Thou Mine Eyes"*

Chancel Choir

Open thou mine eyes and I shall see, incline my heart and I shall desire,  
order my steps and I shall walk in the ways of thy commandments.

O Lord God, be thou to me a God and beside thee let there be none else,  
no other, nought else with thee. Vouchsafe to me to worship thee and serve  
thee according to thy commandments, in truth of spirit, in rev'rence of body,  
in blessing of lips, in private and public.

Open thou mine eyes and I shall see, incline my heart and I shall desire,  
order my steps and I shall walk in the ways of thy commandments.

*text by Lancelot Andrewes; music by John Rutter*

### **\* Gloria Patri 735**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen, amen.**

### **\* Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

#### **\* Scripture reading from Acts 4:23-31**

*p. 1697 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin*

Mary Kaufmann (9:30)

Hunt Davidson (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word**

#### **Sermon**

*"How Prayer Emboldens the Church"*

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.*

### **Invitation to the Lord's Table**

**Hymn of confession 674, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5**

*"I Need Thee Every Hour"*

## Silent prayers of confession

### Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on Acts 2 and Romans 4, 5

God raised Jesus Christ from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification. Therefore, 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.

### Words of institution

#### Communion affirmation

Leader: God of all good, we thank you for this supper. Teach us to see in it your loving purposes for strengthening our souls and increasing our joy.

**All: You have prepared for us a feast, and because we are unworthy in ourselves to sit down as guests, we wholly rest on the merits of Jesus and hide ourselves in his righteousness.**

Leader: In this supper we hear Jesus say, "I gave my life to purchase yours, shed my blood to blot out your guilt, and bore your condemnation to satisfy divine justice."

**All: O Lord, may we grasp the breadth and depth of your love. May we draw near and testify before all people that you are our life, strength, and joy.**

Leader: As the bread and the cup nourish our bodies, so may your indwelling Spirit invigorate our souls until that day when we hunger and thirst no more, and sit with Jesus at his heavenly feast.

**All: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection until you come again. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*based on The Valley of Vision prayer, "The Lord's Supper"*

### Prayer of consecration

### Distribution of the elements

**For the bread 646**

“Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts”

**For the cup**

“If Ye Love Me, Keep My Commandments”

Communion Ensemble

If ye love me, keep my commandments,  
and I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter,  
that he may abide with you forever,  
e'en the Spirit of truth, that he may abide with you forever.

*text from John 14:15-17; music by Thomas Tallis, 1505-1585*

**Prayer of thanksgiving**

\* **Hymn of response**

“Give to the Winds Your Fears”

Give to the winds your fears; hope, and be undismayed;  
God hears your sighs and counts your tears, God shall lift up your head.  
Through waves and clouds and storms he gently clears your way;  
wait for his time, so shall the night soon end in joyous day.

Still heavy is your heart? Still sink your spirits down?  
Cast off the weight, let fear depart, and every care be gone.  
He everywhere has sway, and all things serve his might;  
his every act pure blessing is, his path unsullied light.

Far, far above your thought his counsel shall appear,  
when fully he the work has wrought that caused your needless fear.  
Leave to his sovereign will to choose and to command;  
with wonder filled, you then shall own how wise, how strong his hand.

*text by Paul Gerhardt, 1653; music by George Elvey, 1868, DIADEMATA*

\* **Benediction**

\* **Congregational response**

“Threefold Amen”

\* **Postlude**

“Toccata in Seven”

*John Rutter*

\**Congregation standing as you are able*

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**Musicians for this week:**

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

**Joanna Kvale** – soloist

## Acts 4:23-31

<sup>23</sup>On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them. <sup>24</sup>When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. "Sovereign Lord," they said, "you made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. <sup>25</sup>You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David: 'Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? <sup>26</sup>The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the Lord and against his Anointed One.' <sup>27</sup>Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. <sup>28</sup>They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. <sup>29</sup>Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. <sup>30</sup>Stretch out your hand to heal and perform miraculous signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus." <sup>31</sup>After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

**The flowers in the sanctuary today** are from the wedding of Marshall Rustand and Richard Cunningham on Saturday, October 5, and are given in loving memory of Marshall's great-aunt, Corinne McGee, and in honor of Marshall and Richard's families. They are also given in honor of the precious children of Kibera, Kenya, who taught Marshall so much about joyfully following Jesus.

**The rosebuds in the fellowship hall today** are for the birth of John Worthington Daughdrill, born to Libby and Jim Daughdrill on September 24, and the birth of Catherine Laura Cleary, born to Laura and Ryan Cleary on September 27.



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“How Prayer Emboldens the Church”

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## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**OUR NEXT VIP EVENT WILL BE A DAY TRIP TO NASHVILLE** on Monday, October 14. We will visit the Ryman Auditorium and Grand Ole Opry together. The cost of the two tours, lunch, and ride is \$35.00 per person. Please register by this Wednesday, October 9, at [lmpc.org/vip](http://lmpc.org/vip) or by submitting your payment to the church office. The VIPs are a group of mostly retired adults from LMPC and the community who meet monthly for fun and fellowship.

**THE LMPC MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL RETREAT** will take place October 18-20 at Camp Vesper Point. The cost is \$115 and the deadline to register is this Friday, October 11. Please visit [lmpc.org/youth](http://lmpc.org/youth) to find out more and to register via Realm.

**THE DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR THE 2019 WOMEN'S RETREAT** has been extended to this Friday, October 11. The retreat will take place November 8-10 at Guntersville State Park and Lodge in Alabama. Our speaker will be Mary Willson, director of women in ministry at Second Presbyterian Church in Memphis. The cost is \$200, and you can register and find more information at [lmpc.org/womens-retreat](http://lmpc.org/womens-retreat). Don't delay - sign up today!

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

## GIVING UPDATE THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2019

**Annual Budget:** \$4.881 million

**2019 Giving YTD:** 3.238 million

**Remaining gifts needed:** 1.643 million (33.7% of budget)

**Outstanding Pledge Balance:** 1.221 million

We are grateful to God for the generosity of his people at LMPC. We ask that you prayerfully keep up the momentum in giving as we head into the final quarter of the year. You can find multiple ways to give at [lmpc.org/give](http://lmpc.org/give).

## **WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS**

The following individuals were mistakenly omitted from the list of new members in last week's bulletin. We apologize for the oversight.

Marie Bowen

Joe Edwards

McKenna Jerrard

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

Are you looking for a way to get plugged in at LMPC? Children's ministry offers many opportunities:

- Helpers are needed in several Elementary Sunday School classes at 11:00 a.m.
- Volunteers are needed for the quarterly nursery rotation.
- Paid positions are also available in the nursery.

For more information contact Greta Erickson at [greta@lmpc.org](mailto:greta@lmpc.org) or Amy Horne at [amy@lmpc.org](mailto:amy@lmpc.org).

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, October 6*

8:10 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	<i>chapel</i>
9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	<i>sanctuary &amp; 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 with communion.....	<i>sanctuary &amp; fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages.....	<i>various locations</i>
4:00 p.m.	Middle school small groups .....	<i>JHYB</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer with missionary prayer .....	<i>chapel</i>

*For more events this week, visit [lmpc.org/calendar](http://lmpc.org/calendar).*

### STAY CONNECTED WITH REALM AND THE CONNECT APP:

- Communicate with your groups and teams
- Register easily for popular events
- Gain access to our online church directory
- Update your personal information, including photo
- Check your progress on giving and pledging

You can find more details on how to join and use Realm at [lmpc.org/realm](http://lmpc.org/realm). For additional help with Realm, please email Caitlyn Whitted at [onrealm@lmpc.org](mailto:onrealm@lmpc.org).

### OUR MISSION

*Glorifying God by growing in grace and giving our lives away  
on the mountain, in the city, and around the world.*

### CONTACT US

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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.