



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 20, 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

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**Prelude**

*"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!"*

*arr. Paul Manz*

*(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #498)*

**Welcome and greetings**

Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults

\* **Call to worship**

based on Isaiah 12

**Leader:** We will praise you, O LORD! Surely God is our salvation; we will trust and not be afraid.

**All:** **The LORD is our strength and our song; he has become our salvation. With joy we will draw water from the wells of salvation.**

**Leader:** Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the nations what he has done, and proclaim that his name is exalted.

**All:** **Sing to the LORD, for he has done glorious things; let this be known to all the world! Shout aloud and sing for joy, for great is the Holy One of Israel among us.**

\* **Hymn of praise 181, vv. 1, 3, 5**

*"We Come, O Christ, to You"*

\* **Prayer of adoration**

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

The Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

#### Membership vows (11:00)

#### Call to confession

based on Isaiah 55 and Micah 7

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let us turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on us. Let us turn to our God, for he will freely pardon.

For 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.

#### Choral meditation

“Healer of My Soul”

Choir and congregation

Choir: Healer of my soul, keep me at evening,  
Keep me at morning, keep me at noon,  
healer of my soul.

Keeper of my soul, on rough courses faring,  
help and safeguard my means this night,  
keeper of my soul.

I am tired, astray and stumbling.  
Shield my soul from the snare of sin.

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**All: Healer of my soul, keep me at evening,  
Keep me at morning, keep me at noon,  
healer of my soul.**

**Healer of my soul, keep me at evening,  
Keep me at morning, keep me at noon,  
healer of my soul.**

*text and music by John Michael Talbot, arr. Carol Browning*

### **Silent prayers of confession**

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

taken from Titus 3:4-7

When the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

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

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

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

##### **Offertory**

"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

Choir and congregation

Choir: All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;  
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall;  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all;  
hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,  
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all;  
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

**All: O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;  
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all! Amen.**

*text by Edward Perronet, 1779; stanza 4, John Rippon, 1787; music by Oliver Holden, 1793,  
arr. James Mulholland, 1985*

\* Doxology 731

\* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

\* **Scripture reading from Acts 5:12-42**

*p. 1698 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin*

Nathan Allison (9:30)

Carol Mutter (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Sermon**

"Embroidered but Emboldened, Part Two"  
Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

**Pastoral prayer**

\* **Hymn of response 165**

"Ye Servants of God, Your Master Proclaim"

\* **Benediction**

\* **Congregational response**

"Threefold Amen"

\* **Postlude**

"I Sing the Mighty Power of God"  
*arr. Albert Travis*

\* *Congregation standing as you are able*

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**Musicians for this week:**

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

**Stephanie Wharton**– flute

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Joseph Marshall Francis**

July 12, 1937 – October 11, 2019

## Acts 5:12-42

<sup>12</sup>The apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders among the people. And all the believers used to meet together in Solomon's Colonnade. <sup>13</sup>No one else dared join them, even though they were highly regarded by the people. <sup>14</sup>Nevertheless, more and more men and women believed in the Lord and were added to their number. <sup>15</sup>As a result, people brought the sick into the streets and laid them on beds and mats so that at least Peter's shadow might fall on some of them as he passed by. <sup>16</sup>Crowds gathered also from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing their sick and those tormented by evil spirits, and all of them were healed. <sup>17</sup>Then the high priest and all his associates, who were members of the party of the Sadducees, were filled with jealousy. <sup>18</sup>They arrested the apostles and put them in the public jail. <sup>19</sup>But during the night an angel of the Lord opened the doors of the jail and brought them out. <sup>20</sup>"Go, stand in the temple courts," he said, "and tell the people the full message of this new life." <sup>21</sup>At daybreak they entered the temple courts, as they had been told, and began to teach the people. When the high priest and his associates arrived, they called together the Sanhedrin—the full assembly of the elders of Israel—and sent to the jail for the apostles. <sup>22</sup>But on arriving at the jail, the officers did not find them there. So they went back and reported, <sup>23</sup>"We found the jail securely locked, with the guards standing at the doors; but when we opened them, we found no one inside." <sup>24</sup>On hearing this report, the captain of the temple guard and the chief priests were puzzled, wondering what would come of this. <sup>25</sup>Then someone came and said, "Look! The men you put in jail are standing in the temple courts teaching the people." <sup>26</sup>At that, the captain went with his officers and brought the apostles. They did not use force, because they feared that the people would stone them.

<sup>27</sup>Having brought the apostles, they made them appear before the Sanhedrin to be questioned by the high priest. <sup>28</sup>"We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name," he said. "Yet you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and are determined to make us guilty of this man's blood." <sup>29</sup>Peter and the other apostles replied: "We must obey God rather than men! <sup>30</sup>The God of our fathers raised Jesus from the dead—whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. <sup>31</sup>God exalted him to his own right hand as Prince and Savior that he might give repentance and forgiveness of sins to Israel. <sup>32</sup>We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him."

<sup>33</sup>When they heard this, they were furious and wanted to put them to death. <sup>34</sup>But a Pharisee named Gamaliel, a teacher of the law, who was honored by all the people, stood up in the Sanhedrin and ordered that the men be put outside for a little while. <sup>35</sup>Then he addressed them: "Men of Israel, consider carefully what you intend to do to these men. <sup>36</sup>Some time ago Theudas appeared, claiming to be somebody, and about four hundred men rallied to him. He was killed, all his followers were dispersed, and it all came to nothing. <sup>37</sup>After him, Judas the Galilean appeared in the days of the census and led a band of people in revolt. He too was killed, and all his followers were scattered. <sup>38</sup>Therefore, in the present case I advise you: Leave these men alone! Let them go! For if their purpose or activity is of human origin, it will fail. <sup>39</sup>But if it is from God, you will not be able to stop these men; you will only find yourselves fighting against



## **SERMON NOTES**

“Embroided but Emboldened, Part Two”

*Acts 5:12-42*



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## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WE WILL JOIN IN A COMBINED EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE** for the congregations of the Tennessee Valley Presbytery to celebrate the Reformation on Sunday, October 27. The service will be at 6:00 p.m. at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Chattanooga and will explore the five solas through Scripture and song. If you would like to join a mass choir at 3:30 p.m., please email [joy@lmpc.org](mailto:joy@lmpc.org) for more information. There will be no regular evening prayer service at LMPC that evening. Please plan to join us.

**IF YOU WILL BE FACING THE HOLIDAYS AFTER A SEPARATION OR DIVORCE**, join us for a special Divorce Care presentation to learn how to deal with emotions and family plans and to discover hope for your future. This is a special one-time event on Tuesday, November 5 at 6:30 p.m. in the JHYB. Dessert & refreshments will be served. Contact Leon at [leonsulser@gmail.com](mailto:leonsulser@gmail.com) or Rodney at [rodney.miller@covenant.edu](mailto:rodney.miller@covenant.edu) for more information.

**GATHER YOUR LEAF BLOWERS, RAKES, GLOVES, SHEARS, AND WHEELBARROWS** and come help clean up the church! The deacons will host a Fall Church Work Day on Saturday, November 9, beginning at 8:30 a.m. Tasks will include leaf collection, weeding, and vine removal and we will have donuts and drinks available for volunteers. All are encouraged to come and participate!

**LAUNCH SUNDAY FOR THE 2020 BUDGET** will be on Sunday, November 17. Please begin praying about how much you might be able to commit to give in 2020. Members will receive more specific information about the 2020 budget in the mail soon. We are praying that we will have 80% of the budget pledged by December 31, 2019. You can already pledge for 2020 if you wish. This year, you can submit your giving plans in three different ways:

- under the "Giving" tab on your Realm profile
- online at [lmpc.org/giving-2020](http://lmpc.org/giving-2020)
- completing a giving plan card and placing it in an offering plate or submitting to the church office

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

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, October 20*

8:10 a.m.	Worship service .....	<i>chapel</i>
9:30 a.m.	Worship service .....	<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 .....	<i>sanctuary &amp; fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages.....	<i>various locations</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening worship with communion.....	<i>chapel</i>
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group .....	<i>JHYB</i>

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

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- Communicate with your groups and teams
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- Update your personal information, including photo
- Check your progress on giving and pledging

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### 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.