



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 1, 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**

*"Savior of the Nations, Come"  
arr. Michael Burkhardt*

**Welcome and greetings**

Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults

**\* Call to worship**

based on Psalm 98 and Luke 1

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

**All: The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations. He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel.**

Leader: Our souls glorify the Lord and our spirits rejoice in God our Savior!

**All: The mighty One has done great things for us—holy is his name. His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation!**

\* **Hymn of praise 196**, vv. 1, 3, 4

“Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus”

\* **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**

“The Yearning”

Chancel Choir

There is a yearning in hearts weighed down  
by ancient grief and centuries of sorrow.  
There is a yearning in hearts that in the darkness hide  
and in the shades of death abide, a yearning for tomorrow.

There is a yearning for the promised One,  
the Firstborn of creation.  
There is a yearning for the Lord who visited his own,  
and by his death for sin atoned, to bring to us salvation.

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, within our hearts the yearning.  
Emmanuel, Emmanuel, within our hearts the yearning.

There is a yearning that fills the hearts of those  
who wait the day of his appearing.  
There is a yearning when all our sorrows are erased  
and we shall see the One who placed within our hearts the yearning.

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, within our hearts the yearning.  
Emmanuel, Emmanuel, within our hearts the yearning.  
*text by Susan Bentall Boersma; music by Craig Courtney*

\* **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 Isaiah 9:1-7**

*pp. 1072 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin*

Rob Witcher (9:30)

Sarah Risley (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Sermon**

*"Royal Names of the Royal Child: Wonderful Counselor"*

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 197, vv. 1, 2, 4**

*"Comfort, Comfort Ye My People"*

**Silent prayers of confession**

**Assurance of God's pardoning grace**

based on Romans 5

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. For God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners Christ died for us.

**Words of institution**

**Communion affirmation**

**Leader:** God of all good, 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.

**All:** **In this supper we remember the agony of the cross and the cost of redemption. We rejoice in your eternal love, boundless grace, and infinite compassion.**

Leader: We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

**All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

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

**Prayer of consecration**

**Distribution of the elements**

**For the bread** 221, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5

*"Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming"*

**For the cup**

*"Of the Father's Love Begotten"*

Instrumental meditation

*arr. Albert Zabel*

**Prayer of thanksgiving**

\* **Hymn of response** 230

*"Thou Who Wast Rich beyond All Splendor"*

\* **Benediction**

\* **Congregational response**

*"Threefold Amen"*

\* **Postlude**

*"Veni, Emmanuel"*

*arr. Robert J. Powell*

\**Congregation standing as you are able*

---

**Musicians for this week:**

**Joy Gibbons** – director

**Joshua Knight** – organ, piano

**The flowers in the sanctuary today** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. William B. Roy by his family.

## Isaiah 9:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the Gentiles, by the way of the sea, along the Jordan—<sup>2</sup>The people walking in darkness have seen a great light; on those living in the land of the shadow of death a light has dawned. <sup>3</sup>You have enlarged the nation and increased their joy; they rejoice before you as people rejoice at the harvest, as men rejoice when dividing the plunder. <sup>4</sup>For as in the day of Midian's defeat, you have shattered the yoke that burdens them, the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor. <sup>5</sup>Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire. <sup>6</sup>For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. <sup>7</sup>Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this.

## SERMON NOTES

### “Royal Names of the Royal Child: Wonderful Counselor”

*Isaiah 9:1-7*

1. The context for this ancient prophecy
  - A world filled with darkness & despair and gloom & grief (Isaiah 9:1-7)
  
2. The meaning of this royal title — Wonderful Counselor
  - This Royal Child is the exalted and eternal source of all wisdom. (Psalm 111)
  
  - The children of the King enjoy the benefits of living under his wisdom. (Psalm 112)
  
3. The fulfillment of this joyous promise
  - Jesus is the one “in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.” (Colossians 2:2-3)

## **SERMON NOTES**

“Royal Names of the Royal Child: Wonderful Counselor”

*Isaiah 9:1-7*



## **SERMON NOTES**

“Royal Names of the Royal Child: Wonderful Counselor”

*Isaiah 9:1-7*

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**IF YOU HAVE NOT YET DONE SO**, you can submit your giving plans for 2020 online at [lmpc.org/giving-2020](http://lmpc.org/giving-2020) or at your Giving tab in Realm. You can also place a giving plan card in the offering plate or deliver it to David Fowler in the church office. We are praying that we will have 80% of the 2020 budget pledged by December 31, 2019. So far, 56% of the budget has been pledged. Find out more about pledging, ways to give, and the 2020 budget at [lmpc.org/give](http://lmpc.org/give).

**WE ARE CONTINUING TO COLLECT NEW, UNWRAPPED TOYS** in room E204 in the chapel breezeway through this Wednesday evening, December 4, for Hope for the Inner City's Christmas Store. For a list of suggested items visit [lmpc.org/christmas-store](http://lmpc.org/christmas-store). Join us for Family Night this Wednesday as we eat pizza, play bingo, and hear from our friends at Hope for the Inner City. We'll finish the evening by loading the trucks with our donations to be transported to the Christmas Store.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** to be placed in the sanctuary or fellowship hall in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please visit [lmpc.org/christmas-flowers](http://lmpc.org/christmas-flowers) to submit a request and contribute online, or contact the church office at 423-821-4528. The last day to make a request is Wednesday, December 11.

**THE ANNUAL LMPC MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRESSIVE DINNER** will take place this Friday, December 6, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Jane Harris Youth Building. Please RSVP to [margaret@lmpc.org](mailto:margaret@lmpc.org) by tomorrow, December 2. The cost is \$10 per person. If you have any questions, please email [margaret@lmpc.org](mailto:margaret@lmpc.org).

**A CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE** at the end of each service next Sunday, December 8, for the purpose of nominating elders and deacons for the class of 2023. In addition, a brief meeting of LMPC, Inc. will be held to elect a trustee.

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS HYMN SING** next Sunday, December 8, at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Join us as we celebrate the Incarnation through the singing of hymns, listening to vocal and instrumental ensembles, and the reading of God's Word. Following the service, Christmas treats will be served in the Reception Room. Nursery is provided.

**ALL VIPS ARE INVITED TO OUR CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON** which will be held on Tuesday, December 10 in the fellowship hall beginning at 12 noon. The Very Important Persons is a group of mostly retired adults from LMPC and the community who meet monthly for fun and fellowship. The cost for the luncheon is \$5 per person and is due online at [lmpc.org/vip](http://lmpc.org/vip) or at the church office by this Wednesday, December 4. Bring a friend!

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT**, “The Creed and the Cradle,” presented by the Chancel Choir and instrumentalists. The concert will take place in the sanctuary on Sunday, December 15, at 4:00 and 6:30 p.m. Please note: nursery is provided for the 4:00 concert only.

**BEGINNING SUNDAY, JANUARY 12**, we will be offering our annual Communicant Class for middle school and high school students interested in joining the church. For more information and to sign up, visit [lmpc.org/youth](http://lmpc.org/youth) or contact Margaret Compton at [margaret@lmpc.org](mailto:margaret@lmpc.org) with the student’s name, age, and grade.

**SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS** will not be posted during the month of December since most small groups take a break during Advent and Christmas. The questions will resume on January 5.

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

## **NEW SERMON SERIES: ADVENT 2019**

The Royal Names of the Royal Child  
Isaiah 9:6-7

“Rank on rank the host of heaven spreads its vanguard on the way,  
as the Light of light descendeth from the realms of endless day,  
that the pow’rs of hell may vanish as the darkness clears away.”

*- Liturgy of St. James, 5th century*

Compared to Easter, with its jubilant celebration of Jesus’ resurrection, or Christmas, with its singing choirs of angels and “tidings of comfort and joy,” Advent can seem like a much smaller event in the church year. Is it just a taste of Christmas until the real holiday arrives? There is no account of the New Testament church commemorating any event in Jesus’ life, and no biblical command for keeping any day of the year holy other than the Sabbath. But Christians since at least the 7th century have observed the weeks leading up to Christmas as a time to meditate and focus on both the coming of Christ into the world as the incarnate Son of God and the anticipated second coming of Christ in fullest glory to judge the earth. This year at LMPC, our Advent sermons will examine the four descriptive names of Jesus given in Isaiah 9:6: “Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace.” As these titles make clear, the coming of Jesus into the world was an event of staggering proportions, and as we live in the time between his first coming and his second, we have every reason to make this a season in which we anticipate and long for that day when the Light of light will descend once again and banish darkness for all eternity.

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, December 1*

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>
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

Address: 316 North Bragg Avenue  
Lookout Mountain, TN 37350

Web: [lmpc.org](http://lmpc.org)

Email: [info@lmpc.org](mailto:info@lmpc.org)

Phone: 423.821.4528

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.