



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 22, 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**

*"Angels, We Have Heard on High"  
arr. Wayne Wold*

**Welcome and greetings**

Joe Donnovin, ruling elder

**\* Call to worship**

Luke 2:8-14

**Leader:** And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified.

**All:** **But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord."**

**Leader:** "This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger."

**All:** **Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests."**

**\* Hymn of praise 203**

*"Hark! the Herald Angels Sing"*

**\* Prayer of adoration**

## Affirmation of faith

based on Colossians 1

Leader: Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

**All: For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.**

Leader: And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

**All: For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.**

## Call to confession

based on Romans 3:20-24

No one will be declared righteous in God's sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin. But now a righteousness from God, apart from the law, has been made known. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

## Choral meditation

"O Jesu Sweet, O Jesu Mild"

Chancel Choir

O Jesu sweet, O Jesu mild, your Father's will you have fulfilled.  
From heav'n above to earth you came, and born as man you took our name.  
O Jesu sweet, O Jesu mild.

O Jesu sweet, O Jesu mild, your birth the world with hope has filled.  
Your death has ransomed our lost race, for on the cross you took our place.  
O Jesu sweet, O Jesu mild.

O Jesu sweet, O Jesu mild, we seek to do what you have willed.  
All that we have comes from above; Lord, keep us walking in your love.  
O Jesu sweet, O Jesu mild.

*text by Samuel Scheidt, 1650; music is O JESULEIN SÜSS, BWV 493 by J.S. Bach*

## Silent prayers of confession

## Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on John 3 and Colossians 1

Leader: God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

**All: We joyfully give thanks to the Father, for he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.**

\* Hymn of assurance 225, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5

"Once in Royal David's City"

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

### Offertory

"Wake, O My Soul"

Chancel Choir

Wake, O my soul, and hail the morn, for unto us a Savior is born;  
see how the angels wing their way to usher in the glorious day!

Hark! What sweet music, what a song, sounds from the bright celestial throng!  
Sweet song, whose melting sounds impart joy to each raptured, list'ning heart.

Come, join the angels in the sky, all glory to God, who reigns on high.  
Let peace and love on earth abound, while time revolves and years roll round. Amen.  
*text anon.; music by Steve Danyew*

\* Doxology 731

\* Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving

\* Scripture reading from Isaiah 9:6-7  
*p. 1072 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin*

Laura Stephens (9:30)  
Reid Maclellan (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: Prince of Peace  
Chad Middlebooks, pastor of discipleship

### Pastoral prayer

\* Hymn of response 200

"It Came upon the Midnight Clear"

\* **Benediction**

\* **Congregational response**

“Threefold Amen”

\* **Postlude**

“For unto Us a Child Is Born”  
*arr. W. T. Best*

\* *Congregation standing as you are able*

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**Musicians for this week:**

**Joy Gibbons** – director

**Joshua Knight** – organ

**The rosebud in the fellowship hall today** is for the birth of Lucille Gray Hildebrand, born to Ellie and Jay Hildebrand on December 13.

## Isaiah 9:6-7

<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.

### THE ROYAL NAMES OF THE ROYAL CHILD

**Wonderful Counselor:** The royal child is the exalted and eternal source of wisdom.

**Mighty God:** The royal child is God himself in flesh, victoriously at war against all of his and our enemies, both within and around us.

**Everlasting Father:** The royal child is the eternal One who, with father-like compassion, leads, protects, and provides for all who trust in him.

**Prince of Peace:** The royal child is the eternally reigning King who secures our peace with God and guards us in the freedom he has won for us.

## SERMON NOTES

“Royal Names of the Royal Child: Prince of Peace”

*Isaiah 9:6-7*

1. The meaning of this royal title - Prince of Peace
  - The royal child is the eternally reigning King who secures our peace with God and guards us in the freedom he has won for us.
  
2. The fulfillment of this joyous promise: Jesus is the Prince of Peace
  - Fulfillment from 1st advent to 2nd advent
  
3. The implications of this truth for us
  - Peace with God (Romans 5:1-2)
  
  - Peace with people (Colossians 3:15)
  
  - Peace with self (Matthew 11:28-30)
  
  - Peace with the world (John 16:33)

**THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS ARE GIVEN IN MEMORY OF:**

**Belva Bailey** by Don Bailey, Sr., Laura & Don Bailey, Jr., and Lori & Kevin Chilton

**Dick Bodine** by Hilda and Marshall Jemison

**Mr. and Mrs. Hugh A. Brown** by Katie and Don Morton, Hugh, Elizabeth and Peter

**Mr. Hugh Michael Brown** by Katie and Don Morton

**Joseph Cadario** by Janice and Wes Moore

**Hardwick Caldwell, Jr.** by Betsy Caldwell

**Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Caulkins III** by their children, Wilford Caulkins IV, Betsy Caulkins Bookout, and Caroline Caulkins Bentley

**Atticus Bartholomew Centurion Doe** by the Doe Family

**Margaret (Mrs. George) Fontaine** by Katie and Don Morton

**Jennie Moore Gregory** by Janice and Wes Moore

**Merilyn and Ross Hall** by Stephanie and David Wharton

**Evelyn and C.H. Halvorson** by Marni and Steve Halvorson

**Frank Jemison** by Hilda and Marshall Jemison

**Bunny and Ted King** by Hilda and Marshall Jemison

**Megan Grace Matthews** by Janice and Wes Moore

**The Very Rev. Norman and Tillie Ann Milbank** by Marni and Steve Halvorson

**Michael Mooney** by his family

**Westley A. Moore, Sr.** by Janice and Wes Moore

**Gary Morris "Pop"** by Beth, Scott, McKinley, Anna-Blair and Wright Self

**Mr. and Mrs. A.O. Bill Morton** by Katie and Don Morton, Hugh, Elizabeth and Peter

**Al Perry (Papa Perry)** by Ann Henley & Doug Perry, Ash, Della, Clara Parker, Kappy, and Hennie and the Self family

**Joe Persinger, Sr.** by Pat, Joe, Jr. and Leeann, Steve and Karen, Meg and Oscar, and their families, and Little Buddy

**Carol Robinson** by Janice and Wes Moore

**George Robinson** by Janice and Wes Moore

**Sharon and Bill Schaefer** by Jen, James, Nathan, and Eden Schaefer

**Bertha Stephenson** by Janice and Wes Moore

**Frank Stephenson** by Janice and Wes Moore



**Rachel Bode Tucker** by Peggy and Jim Bode, Bode, Myers, Davis, Lyndon, and Urban

**Jean and Arthur Wharton** by Daphne Wharton Haddad

**Lex Williamson** by the Carrs and the Perrys

**THE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS ARE GIVEN IN HONOR OF:**

**Margaret Clark** by Alice and Dick O'Ferrall

**Barb and Joe Novenson** by Anne and Trey Carr

**Shannon and Len Teague** by the Youth Staff

## **2019 GIVING UPDATE** through December 16, 2019

**Annual Budget:** \$4.881 million

**2019 Giving YTD:** \$4.308 million

**Remaining gifts needed:** \$573,000

**Outstanding pledge balance:** \$342,000

**Unpledged giving needed:** \$231,000

- With 2019 quickly coming to an end, we ask that you keep up the momentum in giving and prayerfully consider how much you can give. You can find various ways to give at [lmpc.org/give](http://lmpc.org/give).
- Please note that year-end gifts must either be received online or in the church office by Tuesday, December 31, or have a USPS postmark no later than December 30, to be deductible in 2019.

## **2020 PLEDGING UPDATE**

**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 on 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, 70% 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).

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JOIN US TONIGHT FOR A TIME OF CAROLING** to members and friends of LMPC who cannot join us for Christmas services. We will meet at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel before heading out to sing. All ages are welcome.

**OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES** will take place this Tuesday, December 24, at 3:00, 5:00, and 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary, with overflow in the chapel and fellowship hall. Please arrive early and join us for this special service of lessons, carols, and candlelight. Nursery will be provided at the 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. services only. All are welcome.

**AT OUR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES** we will collect an offering to replenish the Mercy Fund which serves members' needs for financial assistance. Generally, this involves immediate temporary needs such as housing, food, utilities expenses, and/or medical care. Please prayerfully consider if you might contribute to this offering.

**OUR NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE WITH COMMUNION** will take place on Tuesday, December 31, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. All are welcome.

**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.

**INTERESTED IN JOINING LMPC? THE NEXT INTRO TO LMPC CLASS** will be a four-day class taking place on January 24, 25, 26 and February 2, 2020. This class is for those interested in joining LMPC or learning more about what we believe. If you are interested in signing up for the class, please confirm by emailing [julie@lmpc.org](mailto:julie@lmpc.org) or calling 423-424-5973 by January 13.

**IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR UPCOMING SERMON SERIES ON PRAYER**, we will hold a four-week class with Robert Row of *seeJesus* Ministries on Wednesday nights beginning January 15. This class will be from 6:10-7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room. Please join us! Normal Wednesday night nursery is provided.

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

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, December 22*

8:10 a.m.	Worship service .....	<i>chapel</i>
9:30 a.m.	Worship service .....	<i>sanctuary &amp; fellowship hall</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>
6:00 p.m.	Christmas Caroling in the community.....	<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.*

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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.