

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 2, 2020 | Fellowship Hall Service | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO LMPC! We're so glad you are with us today. Please use the tear-off card in the back of your bulletin 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

Welcome and greetings

* Call to worship

David Caines, ruling elder taken from Psalm 104

- Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.
- All: How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.
- Leader: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.
- All: I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

* Hymn of praise

"Rejoice in All Your Works"

Every mouth that cries for food, every lung that yearns for breath, every eye that searches through the dark for light, all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food; from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

Refrain: Oh rejoice in all your works, King of heaven, King of earth!Every creature you have made declares your praise.We rejoice in all you've made, God of all sustaining grace;with the mountain, sky, and sea we sing your praise.

Every tree that thirsts for rain, every bird that seeks its nest, every heart that waits in hope to be made glad, all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food; from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied. *Refrain*

May the pond'rings of my heart and the song upon my lips with the chorus of creation join in praise to the God who made all things, to the Spirit who sustains, to the Son who over all creation reigns. *Refrain text based on Psalm 104, music by Wendell Kimbrough* ©2014 *Wendell Kimbrough, ARP, UBP, CCLI Lic.* #152036

* 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 hymn

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly, while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high: hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm is past; safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on thee; leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me! All my trust on thee is stayed, all help from thee I bring; cover my defenseless head in the shadow of thy wing.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within: thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee; spring thou up within my heart, to all eternity. *text by Charles Wesley*, 1740; *music by Greg Thompson*, 2000

* Scripture reading from Luke 18:1-8 text printed in the bulletin

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Margot Kapic (9:30) Jonas Dean (11:00)

Sermon

"The Necessity of Persistent Prayer" Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

Invitation to the Lord's Table

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.

Hymn of confession "Jesus Paid It All"

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small, child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."

Refrain: Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe; sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone, can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone. *Refrain*

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat. *Refrain text by Elvina M. Hal, 1865; music by DH, 2012*

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

For 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.

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.

John 3:16-17

- 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 *prayer, "The Lord's Supper"*

Prayer of consecration

Distribution of the elements

Songs for meditation

"My Worth Is Not in What I Own"

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone, but in the costly wounds of love at the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame, but in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.

Refrain: I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul. I will trust in him, no other; my soul is satisfied in him alone.

As summer flowers, we fade and die; fame, youth and beauty hurry by, but life eternal calls to us at the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom's fleeting light, but I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross. *Refrain*

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness; my value fixed—my ransom paid at the cross. *Refrain text and music by Keith Getty and Kristyn Getty* ©2014 *Gettymusic ARR, UBP, CCLI Lic.* #152036

"Give to the Winds Thy Fears"

Give to the winds thy fears; hope and be undismayed; God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears. Our God will lift up, our God will lift up thy head.

Still heavy is your heart? Still sink your spirits down? Cast off the weight, let fear depart, and every care, and every care be gone.

Leave to his sovereign sway to choose and to command.

Then shalt thou, wandering, own his way,

how wise, how strong, how wise, how strong, how wise, how strong his hand.

Through waves and clouds and storms, he gently clears the way. Wait thou his time; so shall this night soon end in joy, soon end in joy, soon end in joyous day. *text by Paul Gerhardt*, 1656, *translated by John Wesley; music by Jon Caudill*, 2002

* Prayer of thanksgiving

* Hymn of praise "We Will Feast in the House of Zion"

We will not be burned by the fire. He is the Lord our God. We are not consumed by the flood; upheld, protected, gathered up.

Refrain:We will feast in the house of Zion.We will sing with our hearts restored."He has done great things," we will say together.We will feast and weep no more.

In the dark of night before the dawn, my soul be not afraid. For the promised morning, O how long? O God of Jacob be my strength. *Refrain*

Every vow we've broken and betrayed. You are the faithful one. And from the garden to the grave, bind us together, bring shalom. *Refrain text and music by Joshua Moore and Sandra McCracken* © 2015 *Drink Your Tea Music, ARR, UBP, CCLI Lic.*# 152036

* Benediction

* Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Postlude

* Congregation standing as you are able

Musicians for this week:

Amy Barham – vocalist Joel Christie – vocalist Calvin Garriott – piano **David Henry** – guitar, vocalist **Hannah Lutz** – viola **Hannah Pulliam** – flute

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SIGN UP NOW TO VOLUNTEER FOR MARKETPLACE 2020, June 9-12, at lmpc.org/marketplace. Opportunities include teaching, crafts, drama, set-up and tear-down, and many more! If you have questions, please email Greta Erickson at greta@lmpc.org.

OUR YEAR IN REVIEW FOR 2019 IS NOW AVAILABLE. Please pick up a printed copy in the fellowship hall lobby or sanctuary narthex, or visit lmpc.org/2019-year-in-review.

THE VIP FEBRUARY EVENT will be a Valentine's Day lunch at Hennen's followed by an IMAX movie on Friday, February 14, at 11:00 a.m. Registration is limited, so please RSVP by Sunday, February 9, at lmpc.org/vip or by submitting your payment of \$20 to the LMPC church office. The VIP ministry is a group of mostly retired adults from Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church and the community who meet monthly for fun and fellowship.

ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE INVITED to lunch on Sunday, February 16, at 12:15 p.m. at the Jane Harris Youth Building. Please plan to join us!

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

INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE

In the event of inclement weather on a Sunday morning, the church office will send an email to members and regular attenders as soon as a decision is made to adjust the worship schedule. We will also post the change clearly on the home page of the website and on our Facebook page. Our general policy in response to inclement weather on Sunday morning is the following:

- No 8:10 a.m. worship service
- No nursery or Sunday School
- 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. worship services will take place in the fellowship hall and sanctuary.

Other scheduled events for Sunday, including evening prayer, will be addressed as soon as possible.

Luke 18:1-8

¹Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. ²He said: "In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared about men. ³And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, 'Grant me justice against my adversary.' ⁴For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, 'Even though I don't fear God or care about men, ⁵yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually wear me out with her coming!'"

⁶And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. ⁷And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? ⁸I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"

SERMON NOTES

"The Necessity of Persistent Prayer" Luke 18:1-8

In the face of life's disappointments and God's apparent delays, how do we faithfully endure until Jesus returns?

1. Unrelenting persistence in prayer (vv. 1-5)

2. Unwavering trust in the coming faithfulness of God's just response (vv. 6-8)

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- □ Speak to a pastor
- □ Speak to someone in the church office
- □ Receive email from LMPC

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PLEASE CONTACT ME ABOUT:

- □ Serving at LMPC
- □ Becoming a member at LMPC
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- □ Joining a Bible study □ men's □ women's
- □ Prayer opportunities

If you are a first-time or repeat visitor, please fill out your information on the other side of this card so we can follow up with you.

PRAYER REQUESTS & COMMENTS

Include request in the Prayer List? \Box Yes \Box No

□ I would like to speak with someone about the prayer request or other concern. Please contact me at:

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WE ARE GLAD YOU **ARE HERE TODAY!**

We know it can be hard to connect with a new church. We want to help in any way we can. Feel free to fill out your information on this tear-off card and place it in the offering plate. We will follow up with you about next steps. We are here to serve you!

IAMA:

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TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, February 2

8:10 a.m.	Worship service with communion	chapel
9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion	sanctuary & fellowship hall
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages	various locations
9:30 a.m.	Communicants class	JHYB
10:30 a.m.	Elders are available to pray for your nee	eds Brian Salter's office
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion	sanctuary & fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages	various locations
11:00 a.m.	Intro to LMPC	Reception Room
3:30 p.m.	Officer training class	Reception Room
4:00 p.m.	Middle school small groups	various locations
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer with missionary prayer	chapel
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	ЈНҮВ

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

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CHILDREN (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

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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.