



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 2, 2020 | **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, like a Shepherd Lead Us"

Bradbury, arr. Lanier

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #599)

Welcome and greetings

Derek Halvorson, President of Covenant College

* Call to worship

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 302

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

* **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.

Choral meditation

“Christ, We Do All Adore Thee”

Chancel Choir

Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever;
Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever;
for on the holy cross hast thou the world from sin redeemed.
Christ, we do all adore thee, and we do praise thee forever.
Christ, we do all adore thee.

Latin hymn; ADORE THEE

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

Offertory

“My Wordless Prayer”

Chancel Choir

My words lie still and lifeless as dust upon the sand.
I can no longer voice one request or one demand.
My cup of tears is empty; I can no longer cry.
My lips have fallen silent; my prayer is but a sigh.

Refrain: Spirit, come and rest your ear upon my heart.
O come and hear my wordless prayer, my silent plea,
and take them far away from me.
Take them from this heart of mine, to the Father's heart divine.
Speak in tones unknown to man, that God may hear and understand.

My voice is weak from calling to you both night and day.
How long will you be silent? Why do you turn away?
Pamela Martin and 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 Luke 18:1-8**
p. 1628 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Rob Witcher (9:30)
Ed Salter (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "The Necessity of Persistent Prayer"
Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults

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 429, vv. 1, 2, 4

"Let Thy Blood in Mercy Poured"

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

John 3:16-17

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.**

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

For the bread 480

"Come, for the Feast Is Spread"

For the cup

*"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Instrumental meditation
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #252)*

Prayer of thanksgiving

* **Hymn of response 311**, vv. 1, 2, 4

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response**

"Threefold Amen"

* **Postlude**

*"Jesus Lives, and So Shall I"
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #706)*

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this week:

Rachel Beckmann – cello

Joy Gibbons – director, organ

Randall Crenshaw – piano

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?"

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

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 needs.....	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	JHYB
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer with missionary prayer	chapel
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	JHYB

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

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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.