



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 23, 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

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**Welcome and greetings**

Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

**\* Call to worship**

Psalm 100

Leader: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs.

**All: Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name.

**All: For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

**\* Hymn of praise**

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing?  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.

Frail as summer's flower we flourish, blows the wind and it is gone;  
but while mortals rise and perish, God endures unchanging on.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the High Eternal One.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the High Eternal One.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.  
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.  
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*text by Henry Lyte, 1834; music by Christopher Miner, 1997*

**\* Prayer of adoration**

**Call to confession**

1 John 1:8-9

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.  
If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and  
purify us from all unrighteousness.

**Prayer of confession**

taken from Psalm 51

Leader: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love;  
according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions.  
Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin.

**All: For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me.  
Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your  
sight.**

Leader: Surely you desire truth in the inner parts; you teach me wisdom in  
the inmost place. Create in me a pure heart, O God, and renew a  
steadfast spirit within me.

**All: Do not cast me from your presence or take your Holy Spirit from  
me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing  
spirit, to sustain me.**

**Silent prayers of confession**

**Assurance of God's pardoning grace**

taken from 1 Peter 2:9-10

You are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging  
to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of  
darkness into his wonderful light. Once you were not a people, but now you  
are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have  
received mercy.

**\* Hymn of assurance**

*"My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"*

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed;  
I trust the everliving One, his wounds for me shall plead.

*continued*

*Refrain:* I need no other argument, I need no other plea,  
it is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

Enough for me that Jesus saves, this ends my fear and doubt;  
a sinful soul I come to him, he'll never cast me out. *Refrain*

My heart is leaning on the Word, the living Word of God:  
salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through his blood. *Refrain*

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost he came to save;  
for me his precious blood he shed, for me his life he gave. *Refrain*  
*text by Lidie Edmunds, 1891; music by André Grétry, 1741-1831*

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

**Offertory hymn** "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who bore my pain;  
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again;  
who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in his light  
and wrote his law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who walks beside;  
who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly;  
whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take,  
sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who reigns above,  
whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love.  
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King;  
so I will give my life, my all, to love and follow him.

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\* **Scripture reading from Acts 9:10-19a**

*text printed in the bulletin*

Melanie Ray (9:30)

Susie Courtney (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

**Sermon** "A Willing Servant and His New Brother"  
Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

**Pastoral prayer**

\* **Hymn of response**

“O Church, Arise”

O church, arise, and put your armor on, hear the call of Christ our captain;  
for now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;  
an army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;  
and with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.  
When faced with trials on ev'ry side, we know the outcome is secure;  
and Christ will have the prize for which he died: an inheritance of nations.

Come, see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;  
then see his foes lie crushed beneath his feet, for the Conqueror has risen!  
And as the stone is rolled away, and Christ emerges from the grave,  
this vict'ry march continues till the day ev'ry eye and heart shall see him.

So Spirit come, put strength in ev'ry stride, give grace for ev'ry hurdle,  
that we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of his grace,  
we hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory.  
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\* **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.**

**Session update 2020**

\* *Congregation standing as you are able*

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**Musicians for this week:**

**Stephen Bearden** – flugelhorn  
**Charley Crichton** – bass  
**Abi Davis** – clarinet  
**David Henry** – guitar, vocalist

**Fred Verwoerd** – vocalist  
**Bob Wharton** – piano  
**Donna Wharton** – vocalist

## Acts 9:10-19a

<sup>10</sup>In Damascus there was a disciple named Ananias. The Lord called to him in a vision, "Ananias!" "Yes, Lord," he answered. <sup>11</sup>The Lord told him, "Go to the house of Judas on Straight Street and ask for a man from Tarsus named Saul, for he is praying. <sup>12</sup>In a vision he has seen a man named Ananias come and place his hands on him to restore his sight." <sup>13</sup>"Lord," Ananias answered, "I have heard many reports about this man and all the harm he has done to your saints in Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>And he has come here with authority from the chief priests to arrest all who call on your name."

<sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to carry my name before the Gentiles and their kings and before the people of Israel. <sup>16</sup>I will show him how much he must suffer for my name." <sup>17</sup>Then Ananias went to the house and entered it. Placing his hands on Saul, he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord—Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you were coming here—has sent me so that you may see again and be filled with the Holy Spirit." <sup>18</sup>Immediately, something like scales fell from Saul's eyes, and he could see again. He got up and was baptized, <sup>19</sup>and after taking some food, he regained his strength.

## SERMON NOTES

“A Willing Servant and His New Brother”

*Acts 9:10-19a*

1. Ananias: a seemingly insignificant disciple called to courageous action
  - a ready obedience despite real concerns (vv. 10-14, 17a)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - a genuine love for God and his people (v. 17b)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Saul: an “unlikely” disciple called to a new life
  - a completely new vision of Christ (v. 18)
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - a radically new purpose for life (vv. 15-16)

**BIG IDEA:** God uses seemingly insignificant and “unlikely” disciples to accomplish his great kingdom work.

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“A Willing Servant and His New Brother”

*Acts 9:10-19a*



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## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN OUR CHURCH-WIDE COIN COLLECTION** for the purchase of Kazakh Bibles through our supported World Missions partner, Bible Mission Global. A donation of \$10 purchases two Bibles for a family in Kazakhstan (a Bible and a Family Bible). We have set a big goal this year of \$5,000, and would like to challenge you to join in. The World Missions Committee has agreed to match collected funds up to \$5,000, making it possible for our church-wide contribution to be as high as \$10,000 or 1,000 sets of Bibles. For more information and to donate, visit the fellowship hall lobby.

**OUR WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE**, "Celebrating the Spirit's Work in Central Asia," will take place March 20-22. Saturday night banquet registration will open on **Monday, March 2**. Please make plans to join us for this special annual event. You can find the full schedule at [lmpc.org/world-missions-conference-2020](http://lmpc.org/world-missions-conference-2020).

**THE 20TH ANNUAL GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES** will take place on Sunday, March 15. Our guest preacher will be Dr. Richard Pratt of Third Millennium Ministries and he will preach at all morning services as well as an evening Communion service at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Nursery will be provided. For more information on this sermon series, please visit [lmpc.org/series/george-long-preaching-series](http://lmpc.org/series/george-long-preaching-series).

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

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- Gain access to our online church directory
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- Check your progress on giving and pledging

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## MEMBERS & VISITORS - PLEASE REACH OUT TO US!

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NAME

I WOULD LIKE TO:

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

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*email address*

PLEASE CONTACT ME ABOUT:

- Serving at LMPC
- Becoming a member at LMPC
- Joining a small group
- 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

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Include request in the Prayer List?

Yes  No

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

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PHONE  DAY  EVENING

*Please deposit this card in the offering plate as it comes by.*

## 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!

I AM A:

- First time visitor  
 Repeat visitor

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE (IF ATTENDING TODAY) \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN (IF ATTENDING TODAY) \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

CELL \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL\* \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE CELL \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE EMAIL\* \_\_\_\_\_

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, February 23*

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>
9:30 a.m.	Communicants class	<i>JHYB</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>
3:30 p.m.	Officer Training class	<i>Reception Room</i>
4:00 p.m.	Middle school small groups	<i>JHYB</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer with missionary report from Kim and Michael Essenburg	<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).*

## 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.