



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 1, 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

Brian Salter, lead pastor

* Call to worship

taken from Psalm 89

Leader: I will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

All: I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

Leader: The heavens praise your wonders, O LORD, your faithfulness too, in the assembly of the holy ones. For who in the skies above can compare with the LORD? Who is like the LORD among the heavenly beings?

All: O LORD God Almighty, who is like you? You are mighty, O LORD, and your faithfulness surrounds you.

* Hymn of praise

"Our Great God"

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown;
your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown;
bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne,
they raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

Refrain: Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!
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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm;
surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms;
our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm,
rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our sovereign God. *Refrain*

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird;
let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth;
let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe
sing praises to the living God, who rules them by his Word. *Refrain*
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*** 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 "The Church's One Foundation"

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
she is his new creation by water and the Word:
from heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth;
one holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses, with every grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
and mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.
text by Samuel Stone, 1866; music by Brian Moss, 1996

* **Scripture reading from Acts 9:19b-31**
text printed in the bulletin

David Fowler (9:30)
Merrile Stroud (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "Saul: From Persecutor of Christ to Proclaimer of Christ"
Frank Hitchings, senior associate 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 "Come, O Redeemer, Come"

Father enthroned on high, holy, holy;
ancient, eternal Light, hear our prayer.

Refrain: Come, O Redeemer, come; grant us mercy.
Come, O Redeemer, come; grant us peace.

Lord, save us from the dark of our striving,
faithless, troubled hearts weighed down. *Refrain*

Look now upon our need; Lord be with us.
Heal us and make us free from our sin. *Refrain*
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Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

taken from Psalm 103

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from 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, your boundless grace, and your 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

Songs for meditation

"Let Me Find Thee"

Behold me here, in grief draw near, pleading at thy throne, O King.
To thee each tear, each trembling fear, Jesus, Son of Man, I bring.
Let me find thee, let me find thee.
Let me find thee, Lord of mercy, King of grace.

Look down in love, and from above, with thy Spirit satisfy.
Thou hast sought me, thou hast bought me, and thy purchase, Lord, am I.
Let me find thee, let me find thee.
Let me find thee, here on earth and then on high.

Hear the broken, scarcely spoken, longings of my heart to thee.
All the crying, all the sighing of thy child accepted be.
Let me find thee, let me find thee.
Let me find thee, wounded healer, suff'ring Lord.
text by Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; music by Matthew Smith, 2012

"Let the Nations Be Glad"

(please turn the page for words and music)

* Prayer of thanksgiving

* **Hymn of praise**

“Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken”

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee;
destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shalt be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I’ve sought or hoped or known;
yet how rich is my condition, God and heav’n are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me, they have left my Savior too;
human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like them, untrue.
O while thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,
foes may hate and friends disown me; show thy face and all is bright.

Soul, then know thy full salvation, rise o’er sin and fear and care;
joy to find in every station something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father’s smiles are thine!
Think that Jesus died to win thee; child of heav’n, canst thou repine?

Hasten on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;
heav’n’s eternal days before me, God’s own hand shall guide me there.
Soon shall close my earthly mission, swift shall pass my pilgrim days;
hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

text by Henry F. Lyte, 1824, 1833; music by Bill Moore, 2001

* **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:

Marie Bowen – vocalist

Grady Dickinson – alto saxophone

David Henry – guitar, vocalist

Ellie Henry – vocalist

Maddie Lee – piano

Hannah Lutz – viola

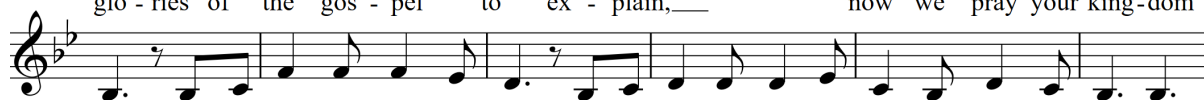
“Let the Nations Be Glad”



1. Let the glo - ry of the Lord for - ev - er be our joy. May re -
2. Through the a - ges gone be - fore, through the tri - al and the sword, man - y
3. As your ho - ly church goes forth in the Ho - ly Spir - it's power, with the



demp - tion be the theme of our song. For by grace we have been
saints and mar - tyrs con - quered, though they died. Still we're hold - ing out the
glo - ries of the gos - pel to ex - plain, now we pray your king - dom



saved, and by grace we shall pro - claim to the cor - ners of the earth that Christ has come.
cross, cross - ing o - ceans, suf - fer - ing loss, shall en - dure all things to win the crown of life.
come, and we pray your will be done for the hon - or and the glo - ry of your name.



Let the na - tions be glad, let the peo - ples re - joice, for sal - va - tion be - longs to our God.



Let the whole earth be filled with the prais - es of the Lord, for sal -



va - tion be - longs to our God. Let the na - tions be glad.

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The rosebud in the sanctuary today is for the birth of Atticus Hunt Davidson, born to Tera and Hunt Davidson on February 19.

Acts 9:19b-31

^{19b}Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus. ²⁰At once he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God. ²¹All those who heard him were astonished and asked, "Isn't he the man who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name? And hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?" ²²Yet Saul grew more and more powerful and baffled the Jews living in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Christ.

²³After many days had gone by, the Jews conspired to kill him, ²⁴but Saul learned of their plan. Day and night they kept close watch on the city gates in order to kill him. ²⁵But his followers took him by night and lowered him in a basket through an opening in the wall.

²⁶When he came to Jerusalem, he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him, not believing that he really was a disciple. ²⁷But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles. He told them how Saul on his journey had seen the Lord and that the Lord had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had preached fearlessly in the name of Jesus. ²⁸So Saul stayed with them and moved about freely in Jerusalem, speaking boldly in the name of the Lord. ²⁹He talked and debated with the Grecian Jews, but they tried to kill him. ³⁰When the brothers learned of this, they took him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

³¹Then the church throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed a time of peace. It was strengthened; and encouraged by the Holy Spirit, it grew in numbers, living in the fear of the Lord.

SERMON NOTES

“Saul: From Persecutor of Christ to Proclaimer of Christ”

Acts 9:19b-31

1. Saul’s messianic proclamation (vv. 19b-22)
 - powerfully proving that Jesus is the Son of God and the Christ

2. Man’s murderous plots
 - in Damascus (vv. 23-25)

 - in Jerusalem (vv. 29-30)

3. God’s marvelous provision (vv. 25-28 & 31)
 - of Barnabas the encourager

 - of the church’s acceptance and protection

 - of the Holy Spirit’s blessing

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. You may also contribute through Realm or Venmo (LktMtnPC) with a note for "Bible Donation."

OUR WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE, "Celebrating the Spirit's Work in Central Asia," will take place March 20-22. Saturday night banquet registration will open **tomorrow**, 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.

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.

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

LENT

Lent is the forty-day period before Easter. It began this year on Ash Wednesday, February 26, 2020. In counting the forty days, Sundays are skipped. The liturgical color is purple, a kingly color reminding us of Christ's reign and rule, the color of the robe Roman soldiers put on Christ before the crucifixion, and the same liturgical color as Advent to reflect a similar period of waiting and watching. Lent is a season of simple living, prayer, and repentance. It is a season particularly set aside for reflection on Jesus Christ's life, suffering, sacrifice, death, burial, and resurrection. Lent originated in the very earliest days of the first century church as a preparatory time for Easter. By observing the forty days of Lent, the early church desired that the individual Christian imitate Jesus' withdrawal into the wilderness for forty days. To help us visually reflect on the sparse nature of this season, you will see only curly willow or twigs decorating the chancel during these weeks. It also serves to remind us of the branch used to serve Christ sour wine on the cross. Alongside Christians who have observed Lent since apostolic times, let us seek after our Savior with self-examining humility.

MEMBERS & VISITORS - PLEASE REACH OUT TO US!

NAME

I WOULD LIKE TO:

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

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

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:

PHONE DAY EVENING

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

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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

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SPOUSE CELL

SPOUSE EMAIL*

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TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, March 1

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
3:30 p.m.	Officer Training class	Reception Room & Conference 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	JHYB

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

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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.