



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 8, 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

"For the Beauty of the Earth"
(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal, #116)

Welcome and greetings

Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults

* Call to worship

based on Psalm 146

Leader: Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul.

All: We will praise the LORD all our lives; we will sing praise to our God as long as we live.

Leader: Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God, the Maker of heaven and earth, the sea, and everything in them—the LORD, who remains faithful forever. He upholds the cause of the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.

All: The LORD sets prisoners free, the LORD gives sight to the blind, the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down, the LORD loves the righteous. The LORD watches over the alien and sustains the fatherless and the widow. The LORD reigns forever—for all generations. Praise the LORD!

* Hymn of praise 441, vv. 1, 3, 5

"Jesus Shall Reign"

* Prayer of adoration

Call to confession

taken from Micah 7:18-20

Who is a God like you, who pardons sin and forgives the transgression of the remnant of his inheritance? You do not stay angry forever but delight to show mercy. You will again have compassion on us; you will tread our sins underfoot and hurl all our iniquities into the depths of the sea. You will be true to Jacob, and show mercy to Abraham, as you pledged on oath to our fathers in days long ago.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on 2 Corinthians 5 and Zephaniah 3

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and not counting men's sins against them. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

All: Therefore, be glad and rejoice! For the LORD has taken away our punishment. The LORD our God is with us, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in us, he will quiet us with his love, he will rejoice over us with singing.

* Hymn of assurance

*"My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"
(please turn the page for words and music)*

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

Offertory

"What Wondrous Love"

Chancel Choir and Girls ensemble

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul,
to bear the dreadful curse for my soul?

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down, sinking down,
when I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul,
Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

continued

To God and to the Lamb I will sing, I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb I will sing;
to God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM,
while millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing,
while millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing on;
and when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be,
and through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
and through eternity I'll sing on.

American folk hymn; arr. Michael Burkhardt from William Walker's Southern Harmony, 1835

* **Doxology 731**

* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Scripture reading from Acts 9:32-43**

p. 1708 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Dan Wykoff (9:30)
Laura Broussard (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 Continuing Work of Jesus"
Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response**

"The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve"

The spirit sends us forth to serve; we go in Jesus' name
to bring glad tidings to the poor, God's favor to proclaim.

We go to comfort those who mourn and set the burdened free;
where hope is dim, to share a dream and help the blind to see.

We go to be the hands of Christ, to scatter joy like seed,
and all our days to cherish life, to do the loving deed.

Then let us go to serve in peace, the Gospel to proclaim.
God's Spirit has empowered us; we go in Jesus' name.

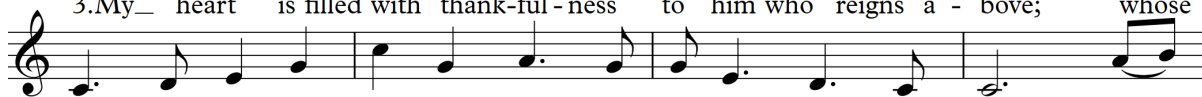
text by Delores Dufner; music by Carl G. Glaser, arr. Lowell Mason, AZMON

* **Benediction**

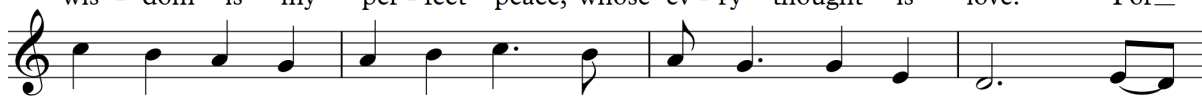
My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness



1. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who bore my pain; who_
2. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who walks be - side; who_
3. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to him who reigns a - bove; whose



plumbed the depths of my dis - grace and gave me life a - gain. Who_
floods my weak-ness - es with strength and caus-es fears to fly. Whose
wis - dom is my per - fect peace, whose ev - 'ry thought is love. For_



crushed my curse of sin - ful - ness and clothed me in his light and_
ev - 'ry pro - mise is e - nough for ev - 'ry step I take; sus -
ev - 'ry day I have on earth is gi - ven by the King. So_



wrote his law of right - eous - ness with pow'r u - pon my heart.
tain - ing me with arms of love and crown - ing me with grace.
I will give my life, my all, to love and fol - low him.

* **Congregational response**

“Threefold Amen”

World Missions report

* **Postlude**

“Healer of Our Every Ill”

Jeffrey Honoré

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – director

Joshua Knight – organ

Larry Goodman – flute

GIRLS ENSEMBLE

Amy Allison

Vivian Perry

Kaitlyn Allison

Beata Shivy

Katie Kanoff, assistant

Ruth Shivy

Joanna Kvale

Victoria Wardell

Bethany Oster

Adalynn Wykoff

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TONIGHT WE WILL HEAR FROM BRIAN SALTER, KEITH MICHAELS, AND MARK NEWTON about their recent trip to the Central Asia region in January. This will be a fantastic opportunity to learn more about the area and what God is doing there in anticipation of our World Missions Conference. Please join us this evening at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

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

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 VIP GROUP IS INVITED TO JOIN US FOR A SOUP AND SALAD LUNCHEON next Sunday, March 15, in the Jane Harris Youth Building after morning worship services. After the luncheon, for those who wish to stay, there will be a refresher course on how to best use Realm. There is no cost to join us; however, to ensure that we have enough food and seating for everyone, please register by this Wednesday, March 11, at lmpc.org/vip or by calling the LMPC church office at 423-821-4528.

THE 20TH ANNUAL GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES will take place next Sunday, March 15. Our guest preacher will be Dr. Richard Pratt of Third Millennium Ministries. 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.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO OUR SPRING CHILDREN'S MUSIC PROGRAM with the Kingdom Kids and Music4Missions Choirs on Wednesday, March 25, at 6:30 p.m. in the LMPC sanctuary. Nursery is provided.

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

Acts 9:32-43

³²As Peter traveled about the country, he went to visit the saints in Lydda. ³³There he found a man named Aeneas, a paralytic who had been bedridden for eight years. ³⁴"Aeneas," Peter said to him, "Jesus Christ heals you. Get up and take care of your mat." Immediately Aeneas got up. ³⁵All those who lived in Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord.

³⁶In Joppa there was a disciple named Tabitha (which, when translated, is Dorcas), who was always doing good and helping the poor. ³⁷About that time she became sick and died, and her body was washed and placed in an upstairs room. ³⁸Lydda was near Joppa; so when the disciples heard that Peter was in Lydda, they sent two men to him and urged him, "Please come at once!"

³⁹Peter went with them, and when he arrived he was taken upstairs to the room. All the widows stood around him, crying and showing him the robes and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was still with them.

⁴⁰Peter sent them all out of the room; then he got down on his knees and prayed. Turning toward the dead woman, he said, "Tabitha, get up." She opened her eyes, and seeing Peter she sat up. ⁴¹He took her by the hand and helped her to her feet. Then he called the believers and the widows and presented her to them alive. ⁴²This became known all over Joppa, and many people believed in the Lord. ⁴³Peter stayed in Joppa for some time with a tanner named Simon.

LENT FLOWERS

As we continue on our Lenten journey, please take note of the sparse floral decor in the chancel area. This serves as a visual reminder of the simplicity of Lent: a time of prayer, reflection, and self-examining humility before we celebrate Christ's Resurrection Day in beauty and splendor.

The rosebuds in the fellowship hall today are for the births of Stella Gray Moore, born to Lizzie and Michael Moore on February 20, and Poppy Lanier Lowery, born to Margaret and Grayson Lowery on March 2.

SERMON NOTES
“The Continuing Work of Jesus”
Acts 9:32-43

1. Where Jesus sends his people
 - to those who are desperately needy (v. 33)

 - to those who deeply grieve (vv. 36-39)

2. How Jesus sends his people
 - with his ministry pattern (vv. 34, 40-41)

 - with his mighty power (vv. 34, 40-41)

3. Why Jesus sends his people
 - to advance Kingdom flourishing (vv. 34, 36, 39)

 - to bring true life (vv. 35, 42)

BIG IDEA: The mighty works through Christ display God’s merciful care so that the message of Christ continually advances.

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TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, March 8

8:10 a.m.	Worship service	<i>chapel</i>
9:00 a.m.	Membership interviews.....	<i>Reception Room</i>
9:30 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for all ages.....	<i>various locations</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 & 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>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer with Mission Report	<i>fellowship hall</i>
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	<i>JHYB</i>

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

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- 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. For additional help with Realm, please email Caitlyn Whitted at 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.