

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 7, 2020 | Fellowship Hall Service

Order of Worship

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

* Call to worship

based on Psalm 68

Leader: Sing to God, sing praise to his name, extol him who rides on the clouds. His name is the LORD—rejoice before him!

All: He is a father to the fatherless, a defender of widows. He sets the lonely in families, he leads forth the prisoners with singing. Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens.

Leader: Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth, sing praise to the Lord, to him who rides the ancient skies above, who thunders with mighty voice. Proclaim the power of God, whose majesty is over all the earth.

All: You, O God, give power and strength to your people—praise be to God!

* Hymn of praise

“Across the Lands”



1. You're the Word of God the Fa-ther from be - fore the world be - gan;__ ev - ery
2. Yet you left the gaze of an - gels, came to seek and save the lost__ and ex -
3. With a shout you rose vic - tor - ious, wres - ting vic - t'ry from the grave__ and as -



star and ev - ery pla - net__ has been fas hioned by your hand. All cre -
changed the joy of heav en__ for the an - guish of a cross. With a
cend - ed in - to heav en__ lead - ing cap - tives in your way. Now you



a - tion holds to - geth - er by the po - wer of your voice;__ let the
prayer you fed the hung - ry, with a word you calmed the sea;__ yet how
stand be - fore the Fath - er, in - ter - ced - ing for your own;__ from each



skies de - clare your glo - ry;__ let the land and seas re - joice.__ You're the
sil - ent - ly you suf - fered,__ that the guil - ty may go free.__
tribe and tongue and na - tion__ you are lead - ing sin - ners home.__



au - thor of cre - a - tion,__ you're the Lord of ev - ery



man,__ and your cry of love rings out a - cross the lands.

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* Prayer of adoration

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

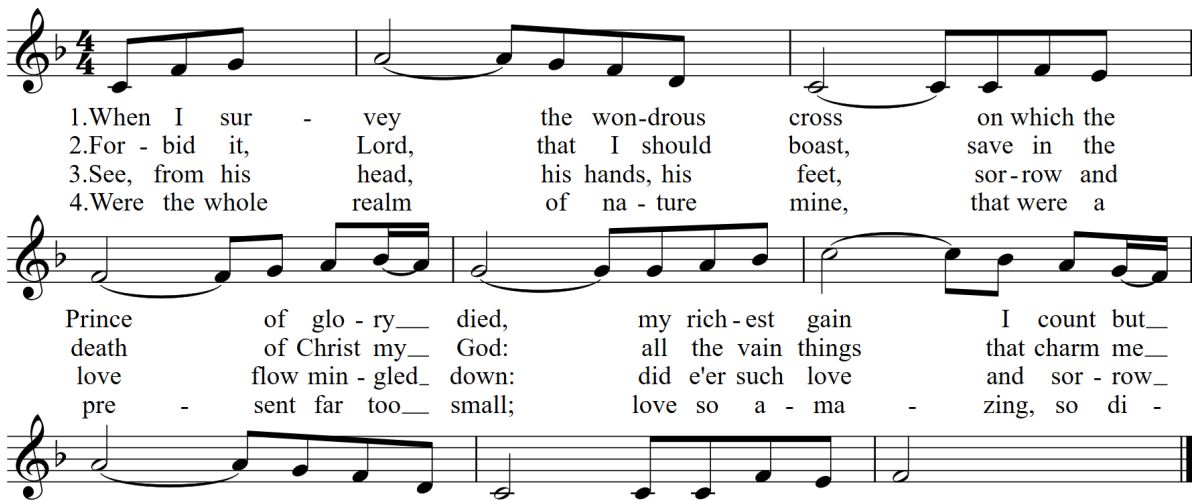
Call to confession

based on Romans 3:20-24

No one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin. But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

Hymn of confession

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”



1. When I sur - vey the won-drous cross on which the
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the
 3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sor-row and
 4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine, that were a

Prince of glo - ry_ died, my rich - est gain I count but_
 death of Christ my_ God, all the vain things that charm me_
 love flow min - gled_ down: did e'er such love and sor - row_
 pre - sent far too_ small; love so a - ma - zing, so di -

loss, _____ and pour con - tempt _____ on all my pride.
 most, _____ I sac - ri - fice _____ them to his blood.
 meet, _____ or thorns com - pose _____ so rich a crown?
 vine, _____ de - mands my soul, _____ my life, my all.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

Hebrews 10:10b-14

We have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God. Since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool, because by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

* Hymn of assurance

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"
(continue scrolling for words and music)

“My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less than Je - sus' blood and righ-teous-ness; I
2. When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un - chang-ing grace; in
3. His oath, his cov - e - nant, his blood sup - port me in the whelm-ing flood; when
4. When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in him be found; dressed

dare not trust the sweet-est frame, but wholl-y lean on Je - sus' name. On
ev - 'ry high and storm - y gale, my an-chor holds with - in the veil. On
all a-round my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay.
in his righ-teous - ness a - lone, fault - less to stand be - fore the throne.

Christ, the sol - id rock, I stand; all oth - er ground is

sink - ing sand, all oth - er ground is sink - ing sand.

Prayer of intercession for racial justice and healing

Leader: Our Father in heaven, we come before you clinging to your promise that someday all things will be set right, that justice will roll down like a river and that righteousness will flow like a never-failing stream. But that day has not yet come, and we are surrounded by the destruction, hatred, arrogance, confusion, and death that sin brings to our lives and the lives of those around us. We pray that you would pour out your Spirit on our city and our country, that the power of the gospel would heal the deep and established divisions that tear us apart.

All: Have mercy, Lord, we pray.

Leader: Lord, giver of life, we grieve the long history of racial injustice that continues to plague our land. We pray that you would powerfully comfort and sustain the families and friends of those who have lost loved ones to violence. Bring an end to this dehumanization of your image bearers, and grant your mercy and protection to those who continue to face discrimination and fear.

All: Have mercy, Lord, we pray.

Leader: Lord, we thank you for police and law enforcement officers who are tirelessly pursuing justice. Continue to grant them courage to do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly before you. We ask that you would bring those who have abused their power and position in horrific ways to justice, and, in the process, give them the grace of repentance and faith in you.

All: Have mercy, Lord, we pray.

Leader: God of our salvation, cause your church to rise up and declare your love in the chaos and brokenness of our communities. We ask that you would take away our hearts of indifference and replace them with hearts of compassion, that we might mourn with those who mourn, comfort the comfortless, and uphold the cause of the oppressed. Show us the way that leads to peace, and teach us what it means to truly love our neighbor and seek the welfare of our city. Our hope is in you, and we pray, as you have taught us to pray:

All: 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.

adapted from a prayer by Justin Borger; Amos 5:24, Romans 12:15, Psalm 82:3, Jeremiah 29:7, Matthew 6:9-13

*** Scripture reading from Acts 13:13-41**

¹³From Paphos, Paul and his companions sailed to Perga in Pamphylia, where John left them to return to Jerusalem. ¹⁴From Perga they went on to Pisidian Antioch. On the Sabbath they entered the synagogue and sat down. ¹⁵After the reading from the Law and the Prophets, the synagogue rulers sent word to them, saying, "Brothers, if you have a message of encouragement for the people, please speak." ¹⁶Standing up, Paul motioned with his hand and said: "Men of Israel and you Gentiles who worship God, listen to me! ¹⁷The God of the people of Israel chose our fathers; he made the people prosper during their stay in Egypt, with mighty power he led them out of that country, ¹⁸he endured their conduct for about forty years in the desert, ¹⁹he overthrew seven nations in Canaan and gave their land to his people as their inheritance. ²⁰All this took about 450 years. After this, God gave them judges until the time of Samuel the prophet. ²¹Then the people asked for a king, and he gave them Saul son of Kish, of the tribe of Benjamin, who ruled forty years. ²²After removing Saul, he made David their king. He testified concerning him: 'I have found David son of Jesse a man after my own heart; he will do everything I want him to do.' ²³From this man's descendants God has brought to Israel the Savior Jesus, as he promised. ²⁴Before the coming of Jesus, John preached repentance and baptism to all the people of Israel. ²⁵As John was completing his work, he said: 'Who do you think I am? I am not that one. No, but he is coming after me, whose sandals I am not worthy to untie.'

²⁶"Brothers, children of Abraham, and you God-fearing Gentiles, it is to us that this message of salvation has been sent. ²⁷The people of Jerusalem and their rulers did not recognize Jesus, yet in condemning him they fulfilled the words of the prophets that are read every Sabbath. ²⁸Though they found no proper ground for a death sentence, they asked Pilate to have him executed. ²⁹When they had carried out all that was written about him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb. ³⁰But God raised him from the dead, ³¹and for many days he was seen by those who had traveled with him from Galilee to Jerusalem. They are now his witnesses to our people. ³²We tell you the good news: What God promised our fathers ³³he has fulfilled for us, their children, by raising up Jesus. As it is written in the second Psalm: 'You are my Son;

today I have become your Father.’³⁴The fact that God raised him from the dead, never to decay, is stated in these words: ‘I will give you the holy and sure blessings promised to David.’³⁵So it is stated elsewhere: ‘You will not let your Holy One see decay.’³⁶For when David had served God’s purpose in his own generation, he fell asleep; he was buried with his fathers and his body decayed.³⁷But the one whom God raised from the dead did not see decay.

³⁸“Therefore, my brothers, I want you to know that through Jesus the forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you.³⁹Through him everyone who believes is justified from everything you could not be justified from by the law of Moses.⁴⁰Take care that what the prophets have said does not happen to you:⁴¹‘Look, you scoffers, wonder and perish, for I am going to do something in your days that you would never believe, even if someone told you.’ “

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon

“God’s Glorious Grace: Reviewed and Revealed”

Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

God’s grace is clearly seen in his:

1. faithfulness in redemptive history. (vv. 13-25)
2. provision of salvation in Jesus. (vv. 26-37)
3. proclamation of astounding promise and sober warning. (vv. 38-41)

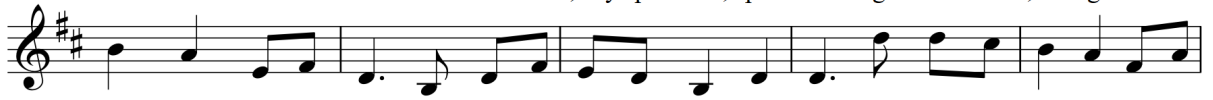
Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response

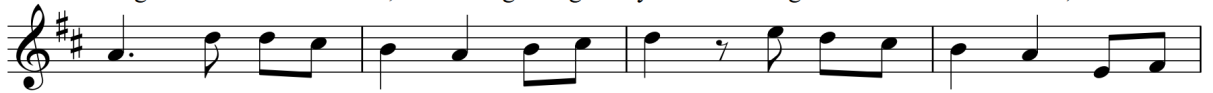
“Before the Throne of God Above”



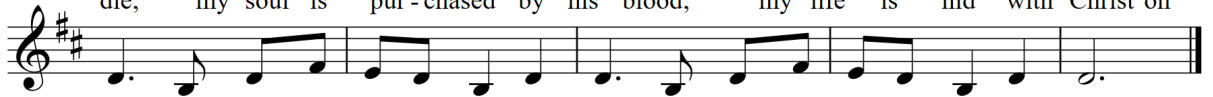
1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove, I have a strong and per - fect plea, a great High
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with - in, up - ward I
3. Be - hold him there! the ris en Lamb, my per - fect, spot - less right - eous - ness, the great un -



Priest whose name is Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is gra - ven on his
look and see him there, who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sa - vior
chang - a - ble I AM, the King of glo - ry and of grace! One with him - self, I can - not



hands, my name is writ - ten on his heart; I know that, while in heav'n he
died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed free; for God, the Just, is sa - tis -
die; my soul is pur - chased by his blood; my life is hid with Christ on



stands, no tongue can bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
fied to look on him and par - don me, to look on him and par - don me.
high, with Christ, my Sa - vior and my God, with Christ my Sa - vior and my God.

text by Charitie Lees Bancroft, 1863; music by Vikki Cook, 1997

* 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:

William Darby – vocalist
Greta Erickson – vocalist
Calvin Garriott – piano

David Henry – guitar, vocalist
Hannah Lutz – viola

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

KEEPING YOUR CHILDREN WITH YOU WHILE AT CHURCH: It is always a joy to see so many children at LMPC. While we continue to welcome their presence every Sunday, for everyone's safety we are asking that parents keep their children with them at all times while at the church or in the church parking lot, including before and after services. Running and playing outdoors is strongly encouraged—**just not at the church at this time.**

THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER & BIBLE HOUR will continue to broadcast on Facebook Live until further notice. Archives of past sessions are available on the LMPC Facebook page by selecting "Videos" from the menu. You can also find the current week's session on the LMPC website's homepage by clicking on the Prayer & Bible graphic.

ADULT SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL begins today and runs through Sunday, August 9. The class will be held from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. each Sunday morning. In light of Covid-19 and the current state/local guidelines, this class will be held via the online platform Zoom. If you would like to virtually attend Summer Sunday School, please register on Realm. You can find the registration link on the LMPC website's Adult Sunday School page. Once you are registered, a Zoom invitation with instructions will be sent prior to each Sunday's class so that you can log on and participate in the class.

EAST LAKE EXPRESSION ENGINE COLLECTION: We are currently collecting hand soap, hand sanitizer, and cleaning supplies (Lysol/Clorox wipes and sprays) to be distributed in the East Lake community through Strategic Partner Ministry, East Lake Expression Engine. These items may be left on the porch of the LMPC Cottage at 309 N. Bragg anytime before Friday, June 12.

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

GIVING UPDATE THROUGH MAY 31, 2020

Annual Budget: \$5,071,750

2020 Giving YTD: \$1,974,977

Remaining gifts needed: \$3,096,773 (61% of budget)

We're grateful for the generosity at LMPC so far this year.

You are welcome to continue giving online, by mailing a check, or your bank bill pay application. There will also be offering plates available as you exit the worship services on Sunday morning. Please be in prayer for the mountain, the city, and the world during this difficult time. lmpc.org/give.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2020 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Claire Austin

Baylor School

Mae Mae Bennett

Girls Preparatory School

Meredith Bevill

Girls Preparatory School

Bennett Brock

McCallie School

Tressie Chandler

Chattanooga Christian School

Andrew Cobb

McCallie School

Will Daniel

Chattanooga Christian School

Ella Ensign

Girls Preparatory School

Mary Frances Eyster

Girls Preparatory School

Grace Fraley

East Ridge High School

Eva Goldbach

Girls Preparatory School

Xaverie Goodman

Hilger Higher Learning

Connelly Grant

Chattanooga Christian School

Mitchell Hailey

McCallie School

Banks Halvorson

Chattanooga Christian School

Brown Hayes

McCallie School

Charlie Hooks

Baylor School

Maggie Kay Imorde

Girls Preparatory School

Will Jackson

McCallie School

Isaac Kvale

Homeschool

Samuel Ligon

McCallie School

Claire Lindeman

Girls Preparatory School

Katie Lukens

Chattanooga Christian School

Ellie Montgomery

Chattanooga Christian School

Riley Murdock

Baylor School

Ash Perry

Chattanooga Christian School

Clara Parker Perry

Chattanooga Christian School

Della Perry

Chattanooga Christian School

James Pitts

McCallie School

Liza Reynolds

Chattanooga Christian School

Duke Richey

McCallie School

Addison Rustand

McCallie School

Will Schumpert

McCallie School

Lily Scott

Baylor School

Wright Self

McCallie School

Savannah Stephens

Boyd Buchanan

Ellie Thompson

Chattanooga Christian School

Noah Tremain

McCallie School

Myers Tucker

Ridgeland High School

Chase Whitener

Chattanooga Christian School

Jonathan Xoinis

Chattanooga Christian School

Jack Young

McCallie School

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2020 COLLEGE
AND GRADUATE SCHOOL GRADUATES**

Barrett Bickley <i>Tennessee Tech University</i>	Will McEwen <i>College of Charleston</i>	GRADUATE SCHOOL
Mya Bosgraf <i>Covenant College</i>	Jeremy Payne <i>Tennessee Tech University</i>	Emily Barber <i>Frontiers Nursing University</i>
Marie Bowen <i>Covenant College</i>	Nate Plating <i>Covenant College</i>	Erin Fowler <i>Reformed Theological Seminary</i>
Banner Brock <i>Clemson University</i>	Meg Reinink <i>Georgia Southern University</i>	Emily Greene <i>University of Alabama Graduate School</i>
Josh Brower <i>Covenant College</i>	Annie Reynolds <i>University of Georgia</i>	Lee Maclellan <i>Richmont Graduate University</i>
Mallie Campbell <i>Samford University (December 2019)</i>	Anna Rogers <i>Covenant College</i>	Daniel Vizoso <i>Georgia Institute of Technology Master of Science (August 2020)</i>
Anne Shirley Hoselton (Dassow) <i>Grove City College</i>	Taylor Schumpert <i>Wake Forest University</i>	
Mary Lyle Devaney <i>Wheaton College</i>	McKinley Self <i>Auburn University</i>	
Bailey Diamondidis <i>Gordon College</i>	Paul Stern <i>Covenant College</i>	
Annabelle Margaret Dowling <i>Furman University</i>	Tay Tay Stroud <i>Auburn University (December 2019)</i>	
Emma Driver <i>Georgia College and State University</i>	Garrett Thompson <i>Covenant College</i>	
Beth Ellis <i>Covenant College</i>	Patrick Thompson <i>Samford University</i>	
Emma Gibson <i>Southern University School of Nursing</i>	Caroline West <i>Johns Hopkins University</i>	
Nina Grauley <i>Covenant College</i>	Parker Wilson <i>Samford University</i>	
Jacob Groothuis <i>University of Tennessee Knoxville</i>	Kaddy Wingard <i>Chattanooga State Nursing Program</i>	

The rosebud in the sanctuary is for the birth of Emmaline Hardy Palmer, born to Cara and Ben Palmer on June 3.