



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 26, 2020 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:00 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 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.*

A FEW IMPORTANT THINGS TO NOTE:

- We are unable to offer a nursery at this time.
- Coloring sheets and crayons are available for children. Please take crayons home with you.
- Tithes and offerings may be left in the plates at the exits.
- At the end of the service, please wait for the ushers to indicate when and where you are to exit.

Order of Worship

Prelude

“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”

Fred Bock

Welcome and announcements

Don Kent, ruling elder

Introit

“Tell Out, My Soul, the Greatness of the Lord”

Ensemble

Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord:
unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;
tender to me the promise of his word;
in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.

Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word:
firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
to children's children and forevermore.

text by Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1965; music by Walter Greatorex, 1919, WOODLANDS

*** Call to worship**

taken from Psalm 96

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

All: For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

Leader: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

All: Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

* Hymn of praise

“Holy, Holy, Holy!”
(words and music on the following page)

* Prayer of adoration

* Affirmation of faith

The Apostles’ Creed

**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

taken from Colossians 3

Since you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Put to death whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.

Silent prayers of confession

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y! Ear - ly in the
2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee, cast - ing down their
3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee, though the eye of
4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y! All thy works shall

morn - ing our song shall rise to thee. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!
gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea; cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim
sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see, on - ly thou art ho - ly;
praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly!

Mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
fall - ing down be - fore thee, who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
there is none be - side thee per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.
Mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

From my sins hide thou thy face; my iniquities erase.
 O my God, renew my heart, and a spirit right impart.
 Cast me not away from thee, nor thy Spirit take from me.

Give salvation's joy again, and a willing mind sustain.
 Then thy perfect ways I'll show that transgressors may them know;
 they converted then shall be; sinners shall be turned to thee.

Free me from the guilt of blood, God, of my salvation God;
 then with joy my tongue shall raise songs thy righteousness to praise.
 Open thou my lips, O Lord; then my mouth shall praise accord.
from The Book of Psalms for Singing, 1973, AJALON

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on Ephesians 2 and 3

Leader: Because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace we have been saved.

All: **May we, being rooted and established in love, have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that we may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.**

* Hymn of assurance

"Loved with Everlasting Love"
(words and music on the following page)

Prayer of intercession for Widows Harvest Ministries

(requests given by Widows Harvest Ministries, an LMPC Home Missions strategic partner)

Leader: Almighty God, giver of life and strength, your word calls us to look after orphans and widows in their distress. We thank you for Widows Harvest Ministries and how you continue to work through them. Pour out your mercy and provision on them as they seek to serve widows in distress in our city.

All: **Lord, give health, safety, peace, and courage to both widows and the volunteers who minister to them. Grant deep and abiding comfort to women who have recently lost loved ones from Covid-19 and other causes. Surround them with the encouragement and support of your people as they grieve.**

continued

"Loved with Everlasting Love"

1. Loved with ev - er - last - ing love, drawn by grace that love to know, Spir - it
 2. His for - ev - er, on - ly his, who the Lord and me shall part? Ah, with

sent from Christ a - bove, thou dost wit - ness it is so. O this
 what a rest of bliss Christ can fill the lov - ing heart. Heav'n and

full earth and pre - cious peace from his pres - ence all di - vine; in a
 may fade and flee, first - born light in gloom de - cline, but while

love that can - not cease, I am his and he is mine; mine.
 God and I shall be, I am his and he is mine; mine.

text by George W. Robinson, 1890; music by James Mountain, 1890, EVERLASTING LOVE

Leader: Bless the widows' weekly prayer time and allow it to strengthen their love for each other and their love for you. We ask that your Spirit would work powerfully through their prayers, and that their needs might be met through your abundant provision.

All: We pray that you would, by your Spirit, move in the hearts and minds of families and churches to take up the work of Widows Harvest Ministries. Provide them with volunteers, resources, and all that is needed to serve their community. Help them to stand firm, always giving themselves fully to the work of the Lord, knowing that their labor in the Lord is not in vain. Amen.

from James 1 and 1 Corinthians 15

*** Scripture reading from Acts 15:36-16:5**

text printed in the bulletin

Don Kent (9:00)
James Stevens (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*** 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.**

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"Another Missionary Journey Begins"

Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

*** Hymn of response**

*"The Church's One Foundation"
(words and music on the following page)*

*** Benediction**

*** Congregational response**

"Threefold Amen"

*** Postlude**

"Improvisation on 'Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing'"

David Oliver

*** Congregation standing as you are able**

"The Church's One Foundation"

1. The church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ, her Lord; she is his new cre -
2. E - lect from ev - 'ry na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth, her char - ter of sal -
3. Yet she on earth hath u - nion with God the Three in One, and my - stic sweet com -

a - tion by wa - ter and the Word: from heav'n he came and sought her to
va - tion one Lord, one faith, one birth; one ho - ly name she bless - es, par -
mun - ion with those whose rest is won: O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord,

be his ho - ly bride; with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
takes one ho - ly food, and to one hope she press - es, with ev - 'ry grace en - dued.
give us grace that we, like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE WAIT FOR THE USHERS to excuse you row by row after the service.

WE APPRECIATE everyone's willingness to wear a mask to protect one another. We do ask that everyone wear a mask for the entire service, covering both mouth and nose. Also, in light of the Hamilton County mandate, we are now asking everyone entering the church buildings during the week to wear a mask.

GIVING STATEMENTS were emailed on Friday, July 17. While Scripture is infallible, your finance department is not, so please review your giving statement to ensure accuracy. Thank you for your generous gifts to the work of LMPC!

MAKING SERVICE REGISTRATION MORE SIMPLE: Logging into your Realm account makes service registration much easier! Many in the congregation are registering every member of their household (often including themselves) as "guests," which requires typing in the name of each person. Once you are logged into your Realm account, however, your Realm registration will automatically show every member of your household (spouse and children 18 and under), and you need only click the boxes next to the names of household members who will also be attending. Call the church office at 423-821-4528 if you need assistance with Realm.

MTW HAS PUBLISHED A BROCHURE featuring stories of African American missionaries. Limited copies of this brochure, titled "The Story of Missions," are available in the library.

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

Musicians for this week:

Ensemble
Joy Gibbons – director

Dr. David Oliver – organ

We welcome Dr. David Oliver as our guest organist this morning

Acts 15:36-16:5

³⁶Some time later Paul said to Barnabas, "Let us go back and visit the brothers in all the towns where we preached the word of the Lord and see how they are doing." ³⁷Barnabas wanted to take John, also called Mark, with them, ³⁸but Paul did not think it wise to take him, because he had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not continued with them in the work.

³⁹They had such a sharp disagreement that they parted company. Barnabas took Mark and sailed for Cyprus, ⁴⁰but Paul chose Silas and left, commended by the brothers to the grace of the Lord. ⁴¹He went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

¹He came to Derbe and then to Lystra, where a disciple named Timothy lived, whose mother was a Jewess and a believer, but whose father was a Greek. ²The brothers at Lystra and Iconium spoke well of him. ³Paul wanted to take him along on the journey, so he circumcised him because of the Jews who lived in that area, for they all knew that his father was a Greek.

⁴As they traveled from town to town, they delivered the decisions reached by the apostles and elders in Jerusalem for the people to obey. ⁵So the churches were strengthened in the faith and grew daily in numbers.

Celebrating the baptism of Simon James Henry at the 9:00 service in the fellowship hall today are his parents, Ellie and David Henry, and his grandparents, Merle and Brian Henry and Barb and Joe Novenson.

SERMON NOTES

“Another Missionary Journey Begins”

Acts 15:36-16:5

1. A sharp disagreement about advancing the Kingdom (15:36-41)

- The reason (vv. 36-38)

- The resolution (vv. 39-41)

2. A new opportunity for advancing the Kingdom (16:1-5)

- To practice the law of selfless love (vv. 1-3)

- To deliver Gospel clarity (vv. 4-5)

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, July 26

9:00 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Adult Summer Sunday School	<i>via Zoom</i>

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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 and second Sundays of every month, one Sunday in the sanctuary and one Sunday in the fellowship hall. Please see the church website for more details.

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.