



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 23, 2020 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:00 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.*

**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

**Welcome and announcements**

Derek Halvorson, President of Covenant College

**\* Call to worship**

Psalm 96:1-9

**Leader:** Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

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

**Leader:** Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

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

\* Hymn of praise

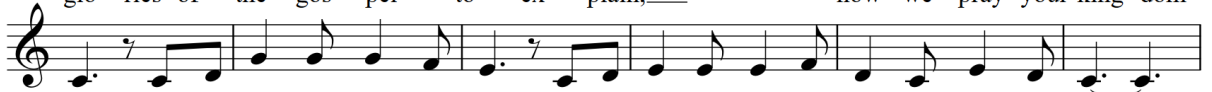
“Let the Nations Be Glad”



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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\* Prayer of adoration

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Call to confession**

Micah 7:18-19

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.

**Hymn of confession**

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,  
my richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God:  
all the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down:  
did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.

*text by Isaac Watts, 1707; music from traditional English melody, O WALLY WALLY*

## Silent prayers of confession

### Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on Colossians 2

We have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. When we were dead in our sins and in the uncircumcision of our sinful nature, God made us alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross.

#### \* Hymn of assurance

"How Great Thou Art"

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder  
consider all the worlds thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
thy power throughout the universe displayed.

*Refrain:* Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to thee:  
how great thou art, how great thou art!  
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And when I think that God, his Son not sparing,  
sent him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
that on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,  
he bled and died to take away my sin. *Refrain*

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation  
and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration,  
and there proclaim, my God, how great thou art. *Refrain*  
text by Stuart K. Hine, 1949; music from a Swedish folk tune

#### Hymn of preparation

"Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts, thou fount of life, thou light of men,  
from the best bliss that earth imparts we turn unfilled to thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood; thou savest those that on thee call;  
to them that seek thee thou art good, to them that find thee all in all.

Our restless spirits yearn for thee, where'er our changeful lot is cast;  
glad when thy gracious smile we see, blessed when our faith can hold thee fast.

O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright;  
chase the dark night of sin away, shed o'er the world thy holy light.

text by Bernard of Clairvaux, ca. 1150; Red Mountain Music, 2003

\* **Scripture reading from Acts 17:16-34**  
*text printed in the bulletin*

Barbara Wingard (9:00)  
Brad Cobb (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 Unknown God in Athens"  
Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

**Pastoral prayer**

\* **Hymn of response** "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who bore my pain;  
who plumbd 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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\* **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*

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**Musicians for this week:**

**Ismael Bartalome** – violin

**Marie Bowen** – vocalist

**Charley Crichton** – bass

**David Henry** – guitar, vocalist

**Hannah Pulliam** – flute

**Charlotte Reeder** – vocalist

**John Reeder** – piano

**Celebrating the baptism** of John Worthington Daughdrill at the 9:00 service in the sanctuary today are his parents, Libby and Jim Daughdrill, and his grandparents, Betsy and Tim Adgent and Vicki and Hal Daughdrill.

**Celebrating the baptism** of Boaz Reed Wharton at the 11:00 service in the sanctuary today are his parents, Stephanie and Ben Wharton, and his grandparents, Jeanne and Bob Phillips and Stephanie and David Wharton, and his great-grandparents, Peg and Bob Wharton.

## Acts 17:16-34

<sup>16</sup>While Paul was waiting for them in Athens, he was greatly distressed to see that the city was full of idols. <sup>17</sup>So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the God-fearing Greeks, as well as in the marketplace day by day with those who happened to be there. <sup>18</sup>A group of Epicurean and Stoic philosophers began to dispute with him. Some of them asked, "What is this babbler trying to say?" Others remarked, "He seems to be advocating foreign gods." They said this because Paul was preaching the good news about Jesus and the resurrection. <sup>19</sup>Then they took him and brought him to a meeting of the Areopagus, where they said to him, "May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?" <sup>20</sup>You are bringing some strange ideas to our ears, and we want to know what they mean." <sup>21</sup>(All the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there spent their time doing nothing but talking about and listening to the latest ideas.)

<sup>22</sup>Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. <sup>23</sup>For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. Now what you worship as something unknown I am going to proclaim to you. <sup>24</sup>The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. <sup>25</sup>And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. <sup>26</sup>From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. <sup>27</sup>God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. <sup>28</sup>'For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.' <sup>29</sup>Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by man's design and skill. <sup>30</sup>In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. <sup>31</sup>For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead." <sup>32</sup>When they heard about the resurrection of the dead, some of them sneered, but others said, "We want to hear you again on this subject." <sup>33</sup>At that, Paul left the Council. <sup>34</sup>A few men became followers of Paul and believed. Among them was Dionysius, a member of the Areopagus, also a woman named Damaris, and a number of others.





## 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.

**AS WE REACH CAPACITY IN SOME OF OUR SERVICES**, it is especially important that everyone who is planning to attend on Sunday morning register for a service. **Please note that registration now closes on Saturdays at midnight**, and you may also now register for chapel seating. If you have trouble with service registration, please call the church office at 423-821-4528. You will know that you have successfully completed the registration process when you receive a confirmation email.

**CANCELING YOUR REGISTRATION:** If you are able, please cancel your registration if you are no longer planning to attend a service. Complete instructions on how to cancel may be found at [lmpc.org/service-registration](http://lmpc.org/service-registration).

**THE AUGUST MISSIONARY PRAYER PACKET** is now available. Limited copies are located in the Small Conference Room, and packets can be emailed upon request.

**TRUTH ON THURSDAYS:** In place of Thursday Morning Prayer and Bible Hour on Facebook Live, we are offering "Truth on Thursdays" each Thursday at 10:30 a.m. We are featuring discussion of various theological and cultural questions, study of the Bible, and occasional topical times with guests for interviews. Please join us each Thursday at our Facebook page, [facebook.com/LookoutMountainPresbyterian](https://facebook.com/LookoutMountainPresbyterian). You can watch recordings at [lmpc.org/truth-on-thursdays](http://lmpc.org/truth-on-thursdays).

**OUR ANNUAL BUILD-A-BAG FOOD DRIVE** for the Chattanooga Area Salvation Army will begin on Wednesday, September 2. We will accept food donations in the porte cochere every Wednesday and Friday through Friday, September 18. We will have bags available to pick up at the church next Sunday, August 30, though it is not necessary to pick up a bag to participate. You can find more information and a shopping list at [lmpc.org/build-a-bag](http://lmpc.org/build-a-bag).

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

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

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**NAME**

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- 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.*

## 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) \_\_\_\_\_  
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*\*By supplying your email address(es), you consent to receive email from LMPC.*

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, August 23*

9:00 a.m. Worship service

*sanctuary & fellowship hall*

11:00 a.m. Worship service

*sanctuary & fellowship hall*

*Additional seating for the sanctuary services is available in the chapel.*

*For more events this week, visit [lmpc.org/calendar](http://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 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.