

# LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**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 the morning services. We do have a limited capacity nursery at the 5:00 p.m. fellowship hall service for which prior registration is required.
- 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

David Caines, ruling elder (9:00, 11:00) Joe Donnovin, ruling elder (5:00)

\* Call to worship

taken from Psalm 104

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.

All: How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Leader: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

All: I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!

## \* Hymn of praise

"Rejoice in All Your Works"

Every mouth that cries for food, every lung that yearns for breath, every eye that searches through the dark for light, all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food; from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

Refrain: O rejoice in all your works, King of heaven, King of earth!

Every creature you have made declares your praise. We rejoice in all you've made, God of all sustaining grace; with the mountain, sky, and sea we sing your praise.

Every tree that thirsts for rain, every bird that seeks its nest, every heart that waits in hope to be made glad, all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food; from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied. *Refrain* 

May the pond'rings of my heart and the song upon my lips with the chorus of creation join in praise to the God who made all things, to the Spirit who sustains, to the Son who over all creation reigns. *Refrain* text based on Psalm 104, music by Wendell Kimbrough ©2014 Wendell Kimbrough, ARP, UBP, CCLI Lic. #152036

### \* 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 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

"To Thee I Come"

To thee I come, a sinner poor, and wait for mercy at thy door; indeed, I've nowhere else to flee; O God, be merciful to me.

To thee I come, a sinner weak, and scarce know how to pray or speak; from fear and weakness set me free; O God, be merciful to me!

To thee I come, a sinner vile; upon me, Lord, vouchsafe to smile; mercy through blood I make my plea; O God, be merciful to me. To thee I come, a sinner great, and well thou knowest all my state; yet full forgiveness is with thee; O God, be merciful to me!

To thee I come, a sinner lost, nor have I aught wherein to trust; but where thou art, Lord, I would be; O God, be merciful to me. To glory bring me, Lord, at last, and there, when all my sins are past, with all the saints I'll then agree: O God, was merciful to me! O God, was merciful to me! text by Samuel Medley, 1738-1799; music by Clint Wells, 2006

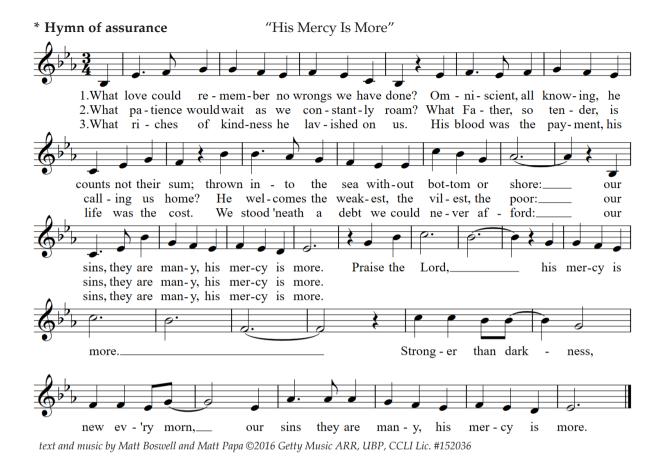
### Silent prayers of confession

# Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on Acts 2 and Romans 4, 5

Leader: God raised Jesus Christ from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. He was delivered over to death for our sins and was raised to life for our justification.

All: Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.



# Hymn of thanksgiving "How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure, that he should give his only Son to make a wretch his treasure. How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns his face away, as wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon his shoulders; ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers. It was my sin that held him there until it was accomplished; his dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom; but I will boast in Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection. Why should I gain from his reward? I cannot give an answer. But this I know with all my heart: his wounds have paid my ransom. text by Stuart Townend © 1995 Kingsway's Thankyou Music, ARR, UBP, CCLI Lic. #152036

\* Scripture reading from Acts 20:13-21

text printed in the bulletin

Alison Johnston (9:00) Pat Lindley (11:00) Joe Donnovin (5:00)

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

## Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"The Unmistakable Marks of Christian Living" Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

Pastoral prayer

\* Hymn of response

"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!), humbled himself (so great his love!), and bled for all his chosen race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me. Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine! Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own. Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? text by Charles Wesley, 1738; music by Thomas Campbell, 1825

#### \* 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

<sup>\*</sup> Congregation standing as you are able

### Musicians for this week:

Kelsey Bazzel – vocalist Micah Davis – french horn David Henry – guitar, vocalist Jonah Hitchcock – cello **Rebekah Risley** – vocalist **Fred Verwoerd** – vocalist **Bob Wharton** – piano

# IN MEMORIAM David Ferguson Moore

September 12, 1935 – October 2, 2020

#### Acts 20:13-21

<sup>13</sup>We went on ahead to the ship and sailed for Assos, where we were going to take Paul aboard. He had made this arrangement because he was going there on foot. <sup>14</sup>When he met us at Assos, we took him aboard and went on to Mitylene. <sup>15</sup>The next day we set sail from there and arrived off Kios. The day after that we crossed over to Samos, and on the following day arrived at Miletus. <sup>16</sup>Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus to avoid spending time in the province of Asia, for he was in a hurry to reach Jerusalem, if possible, by the day of Pentecost.

<sup>17</sup>From Miletus, Paul sent to Ephesus for the elders of the church. <sup>18</sup>When they arrived, he said to them: "You know how I lived the whole time I was with you, from the first day I came into the province of Asia. <sup>19</sup>I served the Lord with great humility and with tears, although I was severely tested by the plots of the Jews. <sup>20</sup>You know that I have not hesitated to preach anything that would be helpful to you but have taught you publicly and from house to house. <sup>21</sup>I have declared to both Jews and Greeks that they must turn to God in repentance and have faith in our Lord Jesus."

# **SERMON NOTES**

"The Unmistakable Marks of Christian Living" Acts 20:13-21

The unmistakable marks of Christian living are:

| 1. | Consistency evident to all (v. 18)   |
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| 2. | Humble and whole-hearted service (vv. 13-16, 19)                             |
| 3. | A commitment to winsome and wise presentation of biblical truth (vv. 19b-20) |
| 4. | An ability to clearly present the Gospel (vv. 20b-21)                        |

#### 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 asking everyone entering the church buildings during the week to wear a mask.

**JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT TAKEOUT** this Wednesday, October 14. Drive-thru pick-up will be under the porte cochere from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. Registration for meals via Realm is currently open through Tuesday, October 13. The cost of each meal is \$5 with a \$25 maximum for a family of 5 or more. If you need assistance with registering, please contact the church office.

**THE 20TH ANNUAL GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES** will take place on Sunday, October 25. Our guest preacher will be Dr. Richard Pratt of Third Millennium Ministries and he will preach at all five services. For more information on this sermon series, please visit lmpc.org/series/george-long-preaching-series.

**ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28,** from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall we will welcome Dr. Irwyn Ince for a discussion of his recent book, *The Beautiful Community: Unity, Diversity, and the Church at Its Best.* Dr. Ince serves as a pastor at Grace DC Presbyterian Church and director of the Grace DC Institute for Cross-Cultural Mission. Registration via Realm is required. Please join us!

THE LIBRARY: A BLISSFUL REALITY: There's at least one thing that hasn't changed due to the pandemic. You can still visit the church library whenever the church is open and check out a great book to curl up with in the evenings or on a foggy Sunday afternoon. The library has wonderful resources for Bible study and homeschooling, loads of children's books, brilliant novels, and engrossing histories and biographies—just to name a few of the treasures waiting for you on the shelves. And now it's easier than ever to use the library with a new, updated catalog and an automatic scanner when you're ready to check out. Wishing the world would return to the way things used to be? Step into the library and breathe a sigh of relief and delight.

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

### NOTE ABOUT COVID-19 EXPOSURE REPORTING

As far as we know, we have been blessed to have had no COVID-19 exposures of members or staff on the LMPC campus. However, if you or a family member develops COVID-19 within a week of attending a worship service or another activity at LMPC, we ask you to please notify David Fowler at david@lmpc.org or 423-424-5602. We will keep your name confidential, but it is important that we notify others who may have been exposed to the virus. Please also pray that the Lord continues to protect us from the virus.

## GIVING UPDATE THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

**Annual Budget:** \$5,071,750 **2020 Giving YTD:** \$3,305,828

Remaining gifts needed: \$1,765,922 Outstanding Pledge Balance: \$1,259,210 Unpledged Giving Needed: \$506,711

We're grateful for the generosity at LMPC so far this year. You are welcome to continue giving online, by mailing a check, or through your bank bill pay application. There are also offering plates available as you exit the worship services today. lmpc.org/give.

# MEMBERS & VISITORS PLEASE REACH OUT TO US!

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| IWOULD LIKE TO:  ☐ Speak to a pastor ☐ Speak to someone in the church office ☐ Receive email from LMPC   |  |  |  |  |
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| 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.                         |  |  |  |  |
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| ☐ 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.  |  |  |  |  |

# 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!

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#### Sunday, October 11

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| 9:00 a.m.  | Worship service with communion | sanctuary             |
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| 3:30 p.m.  | Middle school small groups     | JHYB                  |
| 5:00 p.m.  | Worship service                | fellowship hall       |
| 5:00 p.m.  | Elementary children activities | elementary classrooms |
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Additional seating for the sanctuary services is available in the chapel.

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

# STAY CONNECTED WITH REALM AND THE CONNECT APP:

- 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 caitlyn@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.

#### **CONTACT US**

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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.

**TODAY AT LMPC** 

<sup>\*</sup>By supplying your email address(es), you consent to receive email from LMPC.