

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 18, 2020 | Fellowship Hall Service | 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m., and 5:00 p.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 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

Joseph Wingfield, ruling elder

* Call to worship

taken from Psalm 62 and Psalm 63

Leader: My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from him.

- All: He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.
- Leader: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge. You, O God, are strong, and you, O Lord, are loving. Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.
- All: I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.
- * Hymn of praise "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, join me in glad adoration. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee! Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty will do, if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly fore'er we adore him. *text by Joachim Neander*, 1680; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1863; music Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665

* Prayer of adoration

Call to confession

based on 1 John 1 and Romans 13

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth.

So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us clothe ourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ and not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on 1 Peter 2 and Galatians 2

- Leader: Jesus Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. For we were like sheep going astray, but now we have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls.
- All: We have been crucified with Christ and we no longer live, but Christ lives in us. The life that we live in the body, we live by faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave himself for us.

* **Hymn of assurance** "There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood"

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Immanuel's veins; and sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains: lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains; and sinners, plunged beneath that flood, lose all their guilty stains.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream your flowing wounds supply, redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die: and shall be till I die, and shall be till I die; redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

Dear dying Lamb, your precious blood shall never lose its pow'r, till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more: be saved to sin no more, be saved to sin no more; till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more. *text by William Cowper*, 1771; *music by Lowell Mason*, 1830

Prayer of intercession for Metanoia Prison Ministries

- Leader: O Lord, your Scriptures tell us that because of your great love we are not consumed, for your compassions never fail. They are new every morning, and great is your faithfulness. We pray that your love, your compassion, and your faithfulness would renew and advance the work of Metanoia Prison Ministries.
- All: We ask that you would reveal yourself to men and women in prison who do not yet know you, and draw them into a life-giving and life-changing relationship with you. May they know your unfailing love and boundless grace and put their hope in you. For those who do know you, strengthen their faith and encourage their hearts by your Spirit.
- Leader: We ask that you would protect these men and women from Covid-19, and that, when they feel afraid and helpless, they would find great comfort in you. Be with all who are grieving the loss of loved ones from the pandemic, and continue to give Metanoia wisdom as they seek to minister under such complicated circumstances.

All: We ask that you would raise up believers to become part of Metanoia's correspondence ministry, and allow new relationships between your people and prisoners to grow. Grant Metanoia access where they currently have none, and provide new opportunities for connection and friendship. We thank you, Lord, for Metanoia's work produced by faith, their labor prompted by love, and their endurance inspired by hope in your Son, Jesus Christ. We ask that you would continue to establish the work of their hands. Amen. Lamentations 3:22-23, 1 Thessalonians 1:3, Psalm 90:17

Hymn of preparation "Give to the Winds Thy Fears" 1.Give the winds thy fears, hope and be un - dis-mayed. to 2.Still hea - vy is your heart? Still sink your spi - rits down? 3.Leave to his sov-ereign sway_ to choose and to ____ com-mand. 4.You see our weak-ness, Lord, our hearts are known to thee.__ 5.Through waves and clouds and storms,_ he gent - ly clears the way. our God will lift up,_ God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears,___ Cast off the weight, let fear de - part,___ and ev - 'ry care,____ Then shalt thou, wan-d'ring, own his way,___ how wise, how strong,_ 0 lift thou up our sink-ing hearts. to know thy mer-cy,_ Wait thou his time; so shall this night_ soon end in joy,____ our God will lift up,_ our God will lift up thy head. and ev - 'ry care,___ and ev - 'ry care____ be gone. how wise, how strong,_ how wise, how strong_ his hand. to know thy mer - cy,___ to know thy mer - cy pow'r. and soon end in day. soon end in jov ous iov.__

text by Paul Gerhardt, 1656, translated by John Wesley; music by Jon Caudill, 2002

* Scripture reading from Acts 20:22-38 text printed in the bulletin Will Givens (9:00) Tessa Tolson (11:00) Joseph Wingfield (5:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"Parting Words to Lead and Live By" Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

"A Hymn for All the World" * Hymn of response 1.There is the world vou no place in all do not call vour own. Cre 2.We, your peo - ple, call ask - ing for your help. 0 to you,_ 3.All - see - ing Lord, now look to those in ci - ty and in field. who 4.Fath - er. Son. may your King-dom come. and Ho - lv Spir - it, In 0 a tor of all peop - les. ev 'ry nat - ion, ev -'ry tongue, from -God. be mer - ci ful those_ whose pain we've ne felt. to ver love,____ this seek to spread vour fame and bro - ken world heal. to all the earth as it is in heav - en. may your will be done. In **2** cor - ner is² your ev - 'ry of the earth bound - less reign.___ world - ly sor - row, Give them rest from bless them, Lord, with food to We eat. See your per - se - ted child-ren. soothe their vio - lent wounds. cu all the world, in all our hearts. Je - sus King. We vou are Fa - ther, Son, Spir it, hear sing your praise. and Ho - ly us sheep. ask you, Gen - tle Shep - herd, call the ones who are your their strength that In their weak - ness be thev might hope in vou. wait, we hope, trust, we know, your face we shall we soon see. text and music by Josh Bales ©2008 Bryan Days Music (ASCAP) CCLI Lic. #152036

* 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:

Kellie Currin – vocalist Abi Davis – clarinet Anna Davis – flute David Henry – guitar, vocalist Hannah Lutz – viola Jennifer Mixon – vocalist Melanie Ray – vocalist John Reeder – piano Jeremy Taylor – piano

IN MEMORIAM

Michael Chamberlain Shuck

September 14, 1953 – October 9, 2020

Acts 20:22-38

²²"And now, compelled by the Spirit, I am going to Jerusalem, not knowing what will happen to me there. ²³I only know that in every city the Holy Spirit warns me that prison and hardships are facing me. ²⁴However, I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me—the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace. ²⁵Now I know that none of you among whom I have gone about preaching the kingdom will ever see me again. ²⁶Therefore, I declare to you today that I am innocent of the blood of all men. ²⁷For I have not hesitated to proclaim to you the whole will of God.

²⁸"Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood. ²⁹I know that after I leave, savage wolves will come in among you and will not spare the flock. ³⁰Even from your own number men will arise and distort the truth in order to draw away disciples after them. ³¹So be on your guard! Remember that for three years I never stopped warning each of you night and day with tears. ³²Now I commit you to God and to the word of his grace, which can build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified.

³³"I have not coveted anyone's silver or gold or clothing. ³⁴You yourselves know that these hands of mine have supplied my own needs and the needs of my companions. ³⁵In everything I did, I showed you that by this kind of hard work we must help the weak, remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

³⁶When he had said this, he knelt down with all of them and prayed. ³⁷They all wept as they embraced him and kissed him. ³⁸What grieved them most was his statement that they would never see his face again. Then they accompanied him to the ship.

SERMON NOTES

"Parting Words to Lead and Live By" Acts 20:22-38

More unmistakable marks of Christian living:

1. Commitment to Spirit dependence and Kingdom purpose (vv. 22-27)

2. Awareness of need for God's watchful and relational care through his church (vv. 28-32, 36-38)

3. Reputation of generosity rather than greed (vv. 33-35)

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.

ELEMENTARY PARENTS: We will be offering a new "Sunday School in a Box" unit this week for at-home Sunday School this fall. Please visit lmpc.org/children/sunday-school for more information and to register. You can sign up for drive-thru box pick-up for tomorrow, October 19, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. or Wednesday, October 21, from 10:00 a.m. to noon.

JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT TAKEOUT this Wednesday, October 21. 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 20. 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.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN for our next Large Group Women's Bible Study gathering this Thursday, October 22. Registration is via Realm, and more information and a schedule can be found at lmpc.org/womens-bible-studies.

THE 20TH ANNUAL GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES will take place next 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!

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

MEMBERS & VISITORS -PLEASE REACH OUT TO US!

NAME

I WOULD LIKE TO:

- □ Speak to a pastor
- □ Speak to someone in the church office
- □ Receive email from LMPC

EMAIL

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

Include request in the Prayer List? \Box Yes \Box No

□ 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!

I AM A:

□ First time visitor

□ Repeat visitor

NAME

SPOUSE (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

CHILDREN (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

ADDRESS

HOME PHONE

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EMAIL*

SPOUSE CELL

SPOUSE EMAIL*

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, October 18

9:00 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary & fellowship hall
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11:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	via Zoom
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
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	fellowship hall

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

For more events this week, visit 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.