



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 14, 2021 | **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 have a limited capacity nursery available this morning, as well as a Sunday school class for Pre-K/K children. 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.

Order of Worship

Prelude	"Hymn Tune Prelude on 'Song 13' by Orlando Gibbons" <i>Ralph Vaughan Williams</i>	
Welcome and announcements		Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults
Introit	"God So Loved the World"	Ensemble

God so loved the world, God so loved the world,
that he gave his only begotten Son, that who so believeth,
believeth in him should not perish, should not perish, but have everlasting life.
For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world,
God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world,
but that the world through him might be saved.

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that he gave his only begotten Son, that who so believeth,
believeth in him should not perish, should not perish, but have everlasting life.
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text from John 3:16-17; music by John Stainer

*** Call to worship**

based on Psalm 86 and Psalm 89

Leader: There is none like you, O Lord; no deeds can compare with yours. All the nations you have made will come and worship before you, O Lord; they will bring glory to your name. For you are great and do marvelous deeds; you alone are God.

All: We will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with our mouths we will make your faithfulness known through all generations. We will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

Leader: Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne; love and faithfulness go before you. Blessed are those who have learned to acclaim you, who walk in the light of your presence, O LORD.

All: We rejoice in your name all day long, for you are our glory and strength. We will sing of the LORD's great love forever.

*** Hymn of praise**

*"We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator"
(please turn the page for words and music)*

*** Prayer of adoration and the Lord's prayer**

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.

Choral prayer

"Lamb of God"

Ensemble

O Lamb of God who gave thyself for me,
now in my heart, now in my heart, I give myself to thee.

Teach us to know and keep your ways, O Lord,
that we would hold thy wondrous name, thy wondrous name adored.

Forgive us Lord, and grant, with prayer and praise,
that we may come to love you all our days, love you all our days.
text anon.; music by Richard Shephard

"We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator"

1. We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor; in grate - ful de -
2. We wor - ship you, God of our fa - thers, we bless you; through life's storm and
3. With voic - es u - nit - ed our prais - es we of - fer, to you, great Je -

vo - tion our tri - bute we bring. We lay it be - fore you, we kneel and a -
tem - pest our Guide you have been. When per - ils o'er - take us, es - cape you will
ho - vah, glad an - thems we raise. Your strong arm will guide us, our God is be -

dore you; we bless your ho - ly name, glad prais - es we sing.
make us, and with your help, O Lord, our bat - tles we win.
side us; to you, our great Re - deem - er, for - ev - er be praise.

* **Scripture reading from Acts 28:1-16**
text printed in the bulletin

Tim Sorrell (9:00)
Amos Oster (11:00)

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

* **Gloria Patri**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "Unusual Kindness and Remarkable Power"
Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who have previously been admitted to the Lord's Table, by the elders of this or any Gospel-proclaiming church, to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Come with joy as you actively trust in Christ and willingly forsake sin, having sought reconciliation in all relationships.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Hymn of confession "Jesus Paid It All"
(please turn the page for words and music)

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace taken from Colossians 1:19-22

God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in Christ, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation.

Words of institution

"Jesus Paid It All"

1. I hear the Sav - ior say, "Your strength in - deed is small, child of
2. Lord, now in - deed I find your power, and yours a - lone, can
3. For no - thing good have I where - by your grace to claim; I'll

weak - ness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all." Je - sus paid it
change the lep - er's spots, and melt the heart of stone.
wash my gar - ments white in the blood of Cal - v'ry's Lamb.

all, all to him I owe; sin had left a crim - son stain, he washed it white as snow.

Communion affirmation

Leader: Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, this Holy Supper we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, of communion, and of hope.

All: **We come in remembrance that our Lord Jesus Christ was sent by the Father into the world to take on flesh. By his righteous life, atoning death, and powerful resurrection, he has accomplished for us what we could not accomplish for ourselves.**

Leader: We come to have communion with our Lord Jesus Christ, who has promised to be with us always, even to the end of the world. He is the bread of heaven that nourishes our souls and the true vine in which we abide and bear fruit.

All: **We come in hope, believing that these signs are a pledge and foretaste of the wedding feast of the Lamb that we will enjoy when Christ's kingdom has fully come. We proclaim the Lord's death and profess his resurrection until he comes again. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

adopted from The Worship Sourcebook

Prayer of consecration

For the bread

"Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee"

arr. Jan Sanborn

For the cup

"Glory Be to Jesus"

1. Glo - ry be to Je - sus, who in bit - ter pains
2. Grace and life e - ter - nal in that blood I find;
3. Lift we, then, our voic - es, swell the might - y flood;

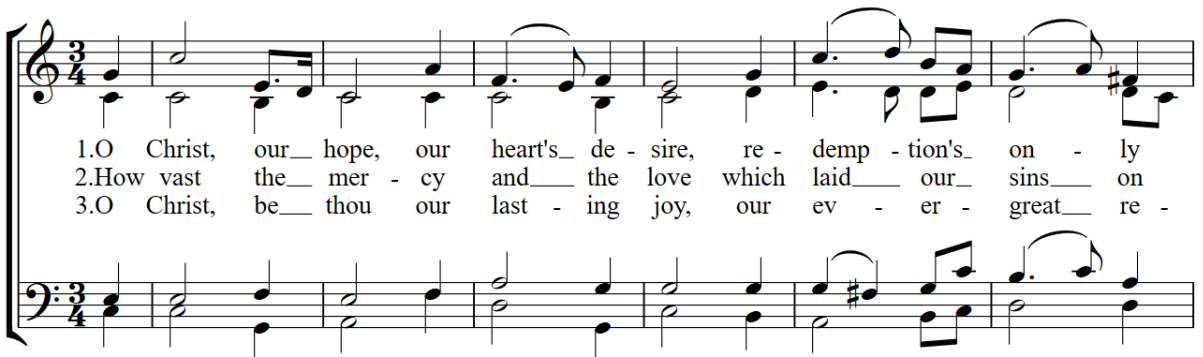
poured for me the life - blood from his sa - cred veins!
blest be his com - pas - sion, in - fi - nite - ly kind!
loud - er still and loud - er praise the pre - cious blood!

Italian text, c. 8th cent, tr. Edward Caswall; music by Friedrich Filitz, WEM IN LEIDENSTAGEN

Prayer of thanksgiving

* Hymn of response

“O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart’s Desire”



1. O Christ, our hope, our heart's desire, re - demp - tion's on - ly
2. How vast the mer - cy and the love which laid our sins on
3. O Christ, be thou our last - ing joy, our ev - er - great re -



spring! Cre - a - tor of the world art thou, its Sav - ior and its King.
thee, and led thee to a cru - el death, to set thy peo - ple free.
ward! Our on - ly glo - ry may it be to glo - ry in the Lord.

text is Latin hymn, 7th or 8th cent., John Chandler, 1837; music by George Frederick Handel, 1741, BRADFORD

* Benediction

* Congregational response

“Threefold Amen”

* Postlude

“And Can It Be That I Should Gain?”
arr. Roger House

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this week:

Ensemble
Joy Gibbons – director

Joshua Knight – piano

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

WE KNOW MANY OF YOU ARE WONDERING WHEN OUR CURRENT COVID PROTOCOLS will change now that many are being vaccinated. Our Covid response team will be meeting this Thursday, March 18. In the meantime, please continue to register for worship and to cancel your registration if you are no longer coming.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL CONTINUE TO MEET each Sunday at 11:00 a.m. via Zoom through May 23. Today, March 14, we begin a new series focusing on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus. You can register to attend the class via Realm. For more information on our spring schedule visit lmpc.org/sunday-school.

IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THE WOMEN OF WIDOWS HARVEST we are currently collecting bottles of laundry detergent, disinfecting wipes (Lysol or Clorox), bottles of dish soap, and Dove soap bars. Our collection will run **today through March 19**, and donations can be left in the marked box in the fellowship hall lobby. Right now our collection is limited to these specified items only. If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Young at stephanie@lmpc.org.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION FOR EASTER FLOWERS to be placed in the sanctuary or fellowship hall in honor or memory of a loved one, please visit lmpc.org/easter-flowers to submit and contribute online, or contact the church office at 423-821-4528. The last day to request flowers is Monday, March 22.

JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT TAKEOUT this Wednesday, March 17. Registration is now open via Realm. The cost is \$5 per meal and pick-up will be from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. under the porte-cochere. You may pay by cash, check, or Venmo (@LktMtnPC) when you pick up your meal. If you have problems registering, please contact the church office.

ALL WOMEN OF LMPC ARE INVITED TO ATTEND our next Semester in the Psalms Large Group meeting this Thursday, March 18. Registration is now open via Realm. You can register and find the full semester's schedule and recordings at lmpc.org/women.

COME SERVE THE CHURCH! A SPRING WORK DAY IS PLANNED for this Saturday, March 20 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. Work will include weeding landscape beds, applying mulch, cleaning up leaves, and painting parking lot lines at the Jane Harris Youth Building. All are welcome for any amount of time! Bring useful tools and work gloves if you have them. Families are requested to supervise their own children in the work.

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

Acts 28:1-16

¹Once safely on shore, we found out that the island was called Malta. ²The islanders showed us unusual kindness. They built a fire and welcomed us all because it was raining and cold. ³Paul gathered a pile of brushwood and, as he put it on the fire, a viper, driven out by the heat, fastened itself on his hand. ⁴When the islanders saw the snake hanging from his hand, they said to each other, "This man must be a murderer; for though he escaped from the sea, Justice has not allowed him to live." ⁵But Paul shook the snake off into the fire and suffered no ill effects. ⁶The people expected him to swell up or suddenly fall dead, but after waiting a long time and seeing nothing unusual happen to him, they changed their minds and said he was a god.

⁷There was an estate nearby that belonged to Publius, the chief official of the island. He welcomed us to his home and for three days entertained us hospitably. ⁸His father was sick in bed, suffering from fever and dysentery. Paul went in to see him and, after prayer, placed his hands on him and healed him. ⁹When this had happened, the rest of the sick on the island came and were cured. ¹⁰They honored us in many ways and when we were ready to sail, they furnished us with the supplies we needed.

¹¹After three months we put out to sea in a ship that had wintered in the island. It was an Alexandrian ship with the figurehead of the twin gods Castor and Pollux. ¹²We put in at Syracuse and stayed there three days. ¹³From there we set sail and arrived at Rhegium. The next day the south wind came up, and on the following day we reached Puteoli. ¹⁴There we found some brothers who invited us to spend a week with them. And so we came to Rome. ¹⁵The brothers there had heard that we were coming, and they traveled as far as the Forum of Appius and the Three Taverns to meet us. At the sight of these men Paul thanked God and was encouraged. ¹⁶When we got to Rome, Paul was allowed to live by himself, with a soldier to guard him.

SERMON NOTES

“Unusual Kindness and Remarkable Power”

Acts 28:1-16

1. God's provision of unusual kindness to those who are weary and worn
2. God's display of remarkable power over the sea, snake, and sickness

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, March 14

9:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary
9:00 a.m.	Worship service	fellowship hall
9:00 a.m.	Sunday school Pre-K/K	elementary area
10:00 a.m.	Membership interviews.....	reception room & JHYB
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school Pre-K/K	elementary area
11:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday school.....	via Zoom
3:15 p.m.	Elementary communicant class.....	elementary area
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.

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.