

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 28, 2021 | Fellowship Hall Service | 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. | Palm Sunday

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 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

Welc	ome and a	nnouncements Joe Donnovin, ruling elder
* Call t	o worship	taken from Zechariah 9:9 and Psalm 24:10
	Leader:	Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!
	All:	See, your King comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
	Leader:	Who is this King of glory?
	All:	The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.
* Hymn of praise		"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"
	0,	, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son, who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went; our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present: to thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise; to thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring, who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King! All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King, to whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring! *text by Theodulph of Orleans, c. 820; music by Melchior Teschner, c. 1615*

* Prayer of adoration

Call to confession

taken from Hebrews 10:19-22

Since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water.

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

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. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.

* 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 thanksgiving

- Leader: O God of majesty, we thank you for your Son, Jesus Christ. He is our Lord, our King, who came to us in humility and now reigns forever in triumph. By his suffering and death, he freed us from sin and death. Risen from the grave, he gives us the joy of new life.
- All: We thank you, victorious Savior, for your rule and reign. We thank you, dearest Friend, for your tender love and compassion. We thank you, good Shepherd, that even now your Kingdom is advancing. By your Spirit, enable us to live in the joy and power of your Gospel. Amen.

adapted from The Worship Sourcebook

Hymn of preparation "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who bore my pain; who plumbed 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. *text and music Keith Getty and Stuart Townend* © 2003 *Thankyou Music, ARR, UBP, CCLI Lic.*# 152036

* Scripture reading from Matthew 21:1-11

text printed in the bulletin

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "The Triumphal Entry of the Passover Lamb of God" Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response

"Across the Lands"

You're the Word of God the Father from before the world began. Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet has been fashioned by your hand. All creation holds together by the power of your voice. Let the skies declare your glory; let the land and seas rejoice!

Refrain: You're the Author of creation; you're the Lord of ev'ry man; and your cry of love rings out across the lands.

Yet you left the gaze of angels, came to seek and save the lost, and exchanged the joy of heaven for the anguish of a cross. With a prayer you fed the hungry; with a word you calmed the sea; yet how silently you suffered, that the guilty may go free! *Refrain*

continued

Elizabeth Musser (9:00) David Paschall (11:00) With a shout you rose victorious, wresting vict'ry from the grave, and ascended into heaven, leading captives in your way. Now you stand before the Father, interceding for your own; from each tribe and tongue and nation, you are leading sinners home! *Refrain text and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend* © 2002 *Thankyou Music, LLC, ARR, UBP, 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:

Grady Dickinson – alto saxophone **David Henry** – guitar, vocalist **David Kaufmann** – bass **Hannah Lutz** – viola Hannah Pulliam – vocalist Fred Verwoerd – vocalist Bob Wharton – piano

The rosebuds in the sanctuary today are for the birth of Catharine Constancia Elwell, born to Hannah and Enoch Elwell on March 15, and for the adoption of Sadie Mae Wharton by Stephanie and David Wharton on March 18.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID 19 PROTOCOL UPDATE: The Session, on the recommendation of the Covid Response Team, has approved the following changes in our Covid protocols: increased capacity in all four worship services with 3 ft. spacing between families (chapel to maintain 6 ft. spacing), service time schedule change to 9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m., and discontinuation of extensive cleaning between services. Masks are still required for all services and in the church building during the week. Please email Frank Hitchings at frank@lmpc.org or David Fowler at david@lmpc.org with questions about these changes.

JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT TAKEOUT this Wednesday, March 31. 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.

OUR WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE, "**POWERING MISSIONS THROUGH PRAYER**," will take place April 16-18. We will welcome Dr. Lloyd Kim, Coordinator of Mission to the World, as well as several supported missionaries as our guests. Please make plans to join us and look for further details to come at lmpc.org/world-missions-conference-2021.

MEN OF LMPC: JOIN US ON SATURDAY, APRIL 24 from 8:30 to 9:45 a.m. as we fellowship, share breakfast together, and hear a word of encouragement from Benjie Slaton, pastor of Grace & Peace in Ooltewah. This event will be held on the JHYB lawn, so bring an outdoor chair. Feel free to invite a friend, co-worker, or neighbor to come along as well! Registration is now open via Realm.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TO ELECT NEW ELDERS AND DEACONS has been called by the Session, to take place in each worship service on Sunday, April 25. Information about the nominees will be made available leading up to the meeting.

WOMEN OF LMPC: YOU ARE INVITED TO GATHER together for a day of outdoor recreation and fellowship on Saturday, May 1. We will offer groups for hiking, walking, and coffee at both 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., and you may register for your preferred activity and time slot. Registration through Realm opens this Thursday, April 1.

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

Matthew 21:1-11

¹As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, tell him that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." ⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: ⁵"Say to the Daughter of Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.'" ⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt, placed their cloaks on them, and Jesus sat on them.

⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Hosanna in the highest!"

¹⁰When Jesus entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred and asked, "Who is this?" ¹¹The crowds answered, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth in Galilee."

SERMON NOTES

"The Triumphal Entry of the Passover Lamb of God" Matthew 21:1-11

1. A prearranged demonstration by a humble King (vv. 1-7)

2. A remarkable response from an enthusiastic crowd (vv. 8-9)

3. A crucial question purposely evoked by Jesus (vv. 10-11)

HOLY WEEK 2021 SERVICES

Maundy Thursday Communion Service

April 1, 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall and courtyard*

- *Registration via Realm required for fellowship hall seating, courtyard seating, and nursery.*
- Masks are required in the fellowship hall and encouraged for the courtyard.
- Those registering for the courtyard will need to bring their own chairs.

Good Friday Tenebrae Service

April 2, 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary and chapel*

- Registration via Realm required for sanctuary seating, chapel seating, and nursery.
- Masks are required.
- *A livestream will be available at lmpc.org for those who cannot attend in person, and a recording will be available afterward.*

Easter Sunrise Service

April 4, 7:15 a.m. at Point Park

- No registration required.
- Masks are encouraged, but not required.

Easter Sunday Services

April 4, 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary, chapel, and fellowship hall*

- *Registration via Realm required for all locations as well as nursery.*
- Masks are required at all services.
- *A livestream will be available at 9:30 a.m. for those who cannot attend in person.*

**indicates nursery available*

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

CELL

EMAIL*

SPOUSE CELL

SPOUSE EMAIL*

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, March 28

9:30 a.m. Worship service
9:30 a.m. Sunday school Pre-K/K
11:00 a.m. Worship service
11:00 a.m. Sunday school Pre-K/K
11:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School

sanctuary & fellowship hall elementary area sanctuary & fellowship hall elementary area via Zoom

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 about how to join and use Realm at lmpc.org/realm. For additional help with Realm, please email Jennifer Welsh at jenniferwelsh@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.

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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.