

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 2, 2021 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:30 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 have a nursery available this morning, as well as Sunday school classes for Pre-K/K – 5th grade. This is the last week prior registration will be required.
- Children's worship 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

Welcome and announcements

Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

*** Call to worship**

Psalm 119:89-90 and Psalm 117

Leader: Your word, O LORD, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens. Your faithfulness continues through all generations; you established the earth, and it endures.

All: **Praise the LORD, all you nations; extol him, all you peoples. For great is his love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!**

*** Hymn of praise**

"Our Great God"

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown;
your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown.
Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne,
they raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

Refrain: Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!
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Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm.
Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms.
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm.
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our sovereign God. *Refrain*

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird;
let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth;
let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe
sing praises to the living God, who rules them by his Word. *Refrain*
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* Prayer of adoration

Hymn of preparation "Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me"

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer?
There is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus,
for my life is wholly bound to his.
O how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine!"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken,
for by my side, the Savior, he will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,
for in my need his power is displayed.
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me;
through the deepest valley he will lead.
O the night has been won, and I shall overcome!
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,
the future sure, the price, it has been paid;
for Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,
and he was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated;
Jesus now and ever is my plea.
O the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free!"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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With ev'ry breath, I long to follow Jesus,
for he has said that he will bring me home.
And day by day, I know he will renew me
until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus;
all the glory evermore to him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat,
"Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

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*** Scripture reading from Genesis 26:1-18**

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Pete Vaughn (9:30)

Merrile Stroud (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"God's Faithful Promise and Grace"

Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

Invitation to the Lord's Table

*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.*

Hymn of confession

"Come, O Redeemer, Come"

Father enthroned on high, holy, holy;
ancient, eternal Light, hear our prayer.

Refrain: Come, O Redeemer, come; grant us mercy.
Come, O Redeemer, come; grant us peace.

Lord, save us from the dark of our striving,
faithless, troubled hearts weighed down. *Refrain*

Look now upon our need; Lord be with us.

Heal us and make us free from our sin. *Refrain*

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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: **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.**

Words of institution

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.**

adapted from The Worship Sourcebook

Prayer of consecration

Distribution of the elements

Songs for meditation

"In Feast or Fallow"

When the fields are dry and the winter is long,
blessed are the meek, the hungry, the poor;
when my soul is downcast and my voice has no song,
for mercy, for comfort, I wait on the Lord.

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Refrain: In the harvest feast or the fallow ground,
 my certain hope is in Jesus found;
 my lot, my cup, my portion sure;
 whatever comes, we shall endure.
 Whatever comes, we shall endure.

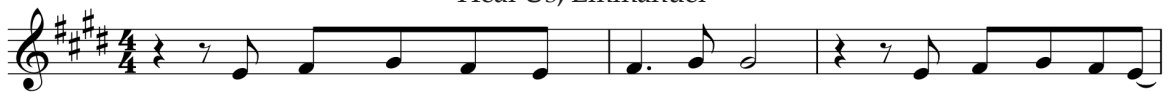
On a cross of wood where his blood was outpoured,
 he rose from the ground like a bird to the sky;
 bringing peace to our violence and crushing death's door,
 our Maker incarnate, our God who provides. *Refrain*

Come, O come, Emmanuel.
 Come, O come, Emmanuel.

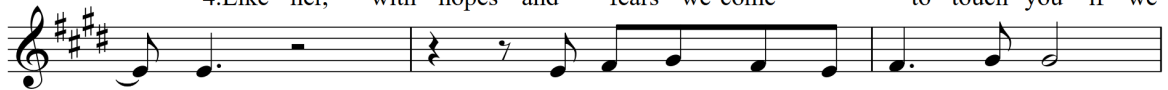
When the earth beneath me crumbles and quakes,
 not a sparrow falls nor a hair from my head
 without his hand to guide me, my shield and my strength;
 in joy or in sorrow, in life or in death. *Refrain*

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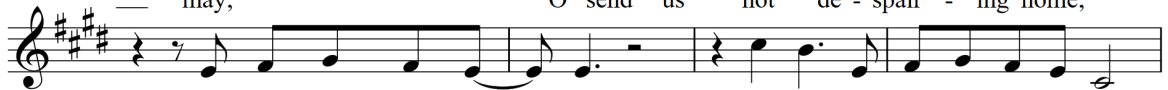
"Heal Us, Emmanuel"



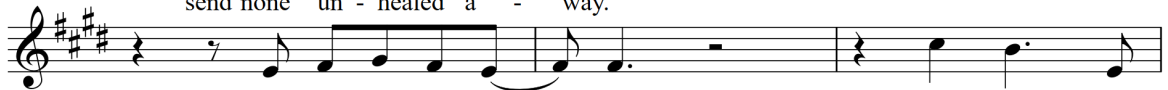
1. Our faith is fee - ble we con - fess; we faint - ly trust thy
 2. Re - mem - ber him who once ap - plied with trem - bling for re -
 3. She, too, who touched you in the press and heal - ing vir - tue
 4. Like her, with hopes and fears we come to touch you if we



— Word. But will you pi - ty us the less?
 - lief; "Lord, I be - lieve," with tears he cried,
 — stole, was an - swered, "Daugh - ter, go in peace.
 — may; O send us not de - spair - ing home;



Be that far from you, — Lord! Heal us, Em - man - uel, here we are.
 "O help my un - be - lief!"
 Thy faith has made thee — whole!"
 send none un - healed a - way.



We long to feel thy — touch. Deep wound - ed



souls, to thee we fly; O, Sav - ior, hear our — cry.

* **Prayer of thanksgiving**

* **Hymn of praise** “We Will Feast in the House of Zion”

We will not be burned by the fire. He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
upheld, protected, gathered up.

Refrain: We will feast in the house of Zion.
 We will sing with our hearts restored.
 “He has done great things,” we will say together.
 We will feast and weep no more.

In the dark of night before the dawn, my soul be not afraid.
For the promised morning, O how long?
O God of Jacob be my strength. *Refrain*

Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed. You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom. *Refrain*

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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*

Musicians for this week:

Stephen Bearden – trumpet
William Darby – vocalist
Calvin Garriott – piano
David Henry – guitar, vocalist

Jonah Hitchcock – cello
Hannah Lutz – viola
Jennifer Mixon – vocalist

Genesis 26:1-18

¹Now there was a famine in the land—besides the earlier famine of Abraham’s time—and Isaac went to Abimelech king of the Philistines in Gerar. ²The LORD appeared to Isaac and said, “Do not go down to Egypt; live in the land where I tell you to live. ³Stay in this land for a while, and I will be with you and will bless you. For to you and your descendants I will give all these lands and will confirm the oath I swore to your father Abraham. ⁴I will make your descendants as numerous as the stars in the sky and will give them all these lands, and through your offspring all nations on earth will be blessed, ⁵because Abraham obeyed me and kept my requirements, my commands, my decrees and my laws.” ⁶So Isaac stayed in Gerar.

⁷When the men of that place asked him about his wife, he said, “She is my sister,” because he was afraid to say, “She is my wife.” He thought, “The men of this place might kill me on account of Rebekah, because she is beautiful.” ⁸When Isaac had been there a long time, Abimelech king of the Philistines looked down from a window and saw Isaac caressing his wife Rebekah. ⁹So Abimelech summoned Isaac and said, “She is really your wife! Why did you say, ‘She is my sister’?” Isaac answered him, “Because I thought I might lose my life on account of her.” ¹⁰Then Abimelech said, “What is this you have done to us? One of the men might well have slept with your wife, and you would have brought guilt upon us.” ¹¹So Abimelech gave orders to all the people: “Anyone who molests this man or his wife shall surely be put to death.”

¹²Isaac planted crops in that land and the same year reaped a hundredfold, because the LORD blessed him. ¹³The man became rich, and his wealth continued to grow until he became very wealthy. ¹⁴He had so many flocks and herds and servants that the Philistines envied him. ¹⁵So all the wells that his father’s servants had dug in the time of his father Abraham, the Philistines stopped up, filling them with earth. ¹⁶Then Abimelech said to Isaac, “Move away from us; you have become too powerful for us.” ¹⁷So Isaac moved away from there and encamped in the Valley of Gerar and settled there. ¹⁸Isaac reopened the wells that had been dug in the time of his father Abraham, which the Philistines had stopped up after Abraham died, and he gave them the same names his father had given them.

NEW MEMBERS

The following individuals have been received into the membership of Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church as of Sunday, March 14, 2021. We celebrate with them today and welcome them into our fellowship.

Lauren and Jeffrey Basey

Mary and Jonathan Bosshardt

Margaret Bryan

Kayley Forshey

Caughran Fowler

Will Givens

Erin and Griffin Hatcliff

Leia and John Horton

Lauren McNeese

Caroline Scruggs

Cornele and Tom Thomas

Sam and Woody Viveros

Jeffrey Webb

Rhys Woodard

Jill and Nathan Wooten

SERMON NOTES

“God’s Faithful Promise and Grace”

Genesis 26:1-18

In unsettling times, God displays his faithfulness:

1. by proclaiming his unchanging promise. (vv. 1-6)
2. by protecting unbelieving and failing humans. (vv. 7-11)
3. by providing undeserved blessings. (vv. 12-18)

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR "SACRIFICE OF PRAISE," a concert of Scripture and song which will take place tonight at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Masks are optional, and registration is not required. We will have social distancing in the chapel for those would who would prefer it. The concert will begin with a prelude at 5:45 p.m., and nursery will be provided (pre-registration via Realm is required). A livestream will be available at lmpc.org.

JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT TAKEOUT this Wednesday, May 5. 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 LONG OVERDUE MEN'S STEAK NIGHT will take place on Thursday, May 13. After a long and challenging year, we need this opportunity to be with other guys to enjoy fellowship and eat meat. We will gather in groups of 10 and you are welcome to invite your friends. Please send an email by this Wednesday, May 5 to mountainmen@lmpc.org to RSVP and to tell us who is coming with you. If you would like to be a host, please email us at mountainmen@lmpc.org.

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

COMMUNICANTS

The following individuals have been received into the membership of Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church as of Sunday, March 14, 2021. We celebrate with them today and welcome them into our fellowship.

Hannah Barger
Jackson Barger
Harrison Barnes
Nora Barrington
Hunt Bennett
Graham Gervin
Daniel Horne
Camp Lehn

Thatcher Lehn
Parker Mixon
Amos Oster
Caleb Oster
Joseph Risley
Haddon Salter
Charlie Silberman
Liam Spykerman

Phoebe Stevens
Win Stribling
Lil Tolson
Parker Tolson
Noel Warren
Wilder Wingfield
Isaiah Wykoff

MEMBERS & VISITORS - PLEASE REACH OUT TO US!

NAME

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- 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?

Yes 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

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SPOUSE (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

CHILDREN (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

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TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, May 2

9:30 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary
9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion	fellowship hall
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school Pre-K/K - 5th grade	elementary area
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion	fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school Pre-K/K - 5th grade	elementary area
11:00 a.m.	Adult Sunday School	via Zoom
6:00 p.m.	Scripture & Song Concert	sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	fellowship hall

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

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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.