

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 have a nursery available this morning.
- 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 greetings

Wil Nettleton, pastor of outreach

* Call to worship

based on 1 Chronicles 16

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the

nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all

his wonderful acts.

All: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD

rejoice. Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.

Remember the wonders he has done.

Leader: Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all

peoples. For great is the LORD, and most worthy of praise.

All: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his

dwelling place. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love

endures forever.

* **Hymn of praise** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all; bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all; hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball, to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all; to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall; we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all; we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all. text by Edward Perronet, 1779, and John Rippon, 1787; music by Oliver Holden, 1793

* Prayer of adoration

Affirmation of faith based on 1 Peter 1:3-9

Leader: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

All: He has given us an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade, kept in heaven for us. We, through faith, are shielded by God's power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time.

Leader: In this we greatly rejoice, though now for a little while we may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come so that our faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may be proved genuine, and may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed.

All: Though we have not seen him, we love him; and even though we do not see him now, we believe in him and are filled with an inexpressible and glorious joy. For we are receiving the goal of our faith, the salvation of our souls.

Call to confession based on Romans 12:1-2a

I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God—this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

Hymn of confession

"Come, Ye Sinners"

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore; Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and pow'r: he is able, he is able, he is willing; doubt no more; he is able, he is able, he is willing; doubt no more.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him; this he gives you, this he gives you; 'tis the Spirit's rising beam; this he gives you, this he gives you; 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden, lost and ruined by the fall; if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all: not the righteous, not the righteous—sinners Jesus came to save; not the righteous, not the righteous—sinners Jesus came to save. text by Joseph Hart, 1759; music by B. F. White, 1844

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

taken from Titus 3:4-7

When the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

* Hymn of assurance

"I Will Glory in My Redeemer"

I will glory in my Redeemer, whose priceless blood has ransomed me. Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails, and hung him on that judgment tree. I will glory in my Redeemer, who crushed the power of sin and death. My only Savior before the holy Judge: the Lamb who is my righteousness; the Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer; my life he bought, my love he owns. I have no longings for another; I'm satisfied in him alone. I will glory in my Redeemer, his faithfulness my standing place. Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, my feet are firm, held by his grace; my feet are firm, held by his grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer, who carries me on eagle's wings. He crowns my life with loving-kindness; his triumph song I'll ever sing. I will glory in my Redeemer, who waits for me at gates of gold; and when he calls me it will be paradise, his face forever to behold; his face forever to behold.

Hymn of preparation

"I Have a Shelter"

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I have a shelter in the storm when troubles pour upon me. Though fears are rising like a flood, my soul can rest securely. O Jesus, I will hide in you, my place of peace and solace. No trial is deeper than your love that comforts all my sorrows.

I have a shelter in the storm when all my sins accuse me. Though justice charges me with guilt, your grace will not refuse me. O Jesus, I will hide in you, who bore my condemnation. I find my refuge in your wounds, for there I find salvation.

I have a shelter in the storm when constant winds would break me. For in my weakness, I have learned your strength will not forsake me. O Jesus, I will hide in you, the one who bears my burdens. With faithful hands that cannot fail, you'll bring me home to heaven. text and music by W Bob Kauflin and Steve & Vikki Cook ©2008 Sovereign Grace Worship, ARR, UBP, CCLI Lic. # 152036

* Scripture reading from Genesis 30:25-31:21 text printed in the bulletin

James Stevens (9:30) David Fowler (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"Facing Cultural Challenges with God's Provision" Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God: he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee. Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love: here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above. text by Robert Robinson, 1758; music by Asahel Nettleton, 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
- * Congregation standing as you are able

Musicians for this week:

David Henry – guitar, vocalist Hannah Lutz – viola Sam Miller – violin Charlotte Reeder – vocalist Jeremy Taylor – piano Fred Verwoerd – vocalist Chapman Whitted – guitar

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY IS THE FINAL DAY OF OUR SUMMER FOOD COLLECTION for the Chattanooga Salvation Army Food Pantry. We are collecting the following items in the Small Conference Room through today:

- 1. peanut butter and jelly (plastic containers preferred)
- 2. canned ravioli
- 3. fruit cups
- 4. cracker snacks (peanut butter and/or cheese crackers)

Thank you for your participation!

ALL MEN ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE MEN'S ENSEMBLE for singing in sanctuary services on July 11, 18 and 25. Rehearsals will be on Wednesday evenings from 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. beginning July 7. Please contact Joy Gibbons at joy@lmpc.org for more information.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS for a 2021 PCA General Assembly report on Sunday, July 11, at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. General Assembly is the annual meeting of representative elders and churches of the denomination of the PCA and is taking place June 28-July 2 in St. Louis. Please pray for the assembly and plan to join us for the report in July.

OUR NEXT WOMEN'S SUMMER SUPPERS will take place on Tuesday, July 13. Registration via Realm will open this Tuesday, June 22. Please make plans to join us for an evening of food and fellowship with other women from our church and community. If you would like to host a supper, please email women@lmpc.org.

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IN MEMORIAM
Ralph Alvin Kenner

June 22, 1944 – June 15, 2021

Genesis 30:25-31:21

²⁵As soon as Rachel had borne Joseph, Jacob said to Laban, "Send me away, that I may go to my own home and country. ²⁶Give me my wives and my children for whom I have served you, that I may go, for you know the service that I have given you." ²⁷But Laban said to him, "If I have found favor in your sight, I have learned by divination that the LORD has blessed me because of you. ²⁸Name your wages, and I will give it." ²⁹Jacob said to him, "You yourself know how I have served you, and how your livestock has fared with me. 30 For you had little before I came, and it has increased abundantly, and the LORD has blessed you wherever I turned. But now when shall I provide for my own household also?" ³¹He said, "What shall I give you?" Jacob said, "You shall not give me anything. If you will do this for me, I will again pasture your flock and keep it: ³²let me pass through all your flock today, removing from it every speckled and spotted sheep and every black lamb, and the spotted and speckled among the goats, and they shall be my wages. 33So my honesty will answer for me later, when you come to look into my wages with you. Every one that is not speckled and spotted among the goats and black among the lambs, if found with me, shall be counted stolen." 34Laban said, "Good! Let it be as you have said." 35But that day Laban removed the male goats that were striped and spotted, and all the female goats that were speckled and spotted, every one that had white on it, and every lamb that was black, and put them in the charge of his sons. ³⁶And he set a distance of three days' journey between himself and Jacob, and Jacob pastured the rest of Laban's flock.

³⁷Then Jacob took fresh sticks of poplar and almond and plane trees, and peeled white streaks in them, exposing the white of the sticks. ³⁸He set the sticks that he had peeled in front of the flocks in the troughs, that is, the watering places, where the flocks came to drink. And since they bred when they came to drink, ³⁹the flocks bred in front of the sticks and so the flocks brought forth striped, speckled, and spotted. ⁴⁰And Jacob separated the lambs and set the faces of the flocks toward the striped and all the black in the flock of Laban. He put his own droves apart and did not put them with Laban's flock. ⁴¹Whenever the stronger of the flock were breeding, Jacob would lay the sticks in the troughs before the eyes of the flock, that they might breed among the sticks, ⁴²but for the feebler of the flock he would not lay them there. So the feebler would be Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's. ⁴³Thus the man increased greatly and had large flocks, female servants and male servants, and camels and donkeys.

¹Now Jacob heard that the sons of Laban were saying, "Jacob has taken all that was our father's, and from what was our father's he has gained all this wealth." ²And Jacob saw that Laban did not regard him with favor as before.

³Then the Lord said to Jacob, "Return to the land of your fathers and to your kindred, and I will be with you." ⁴So Jacob sent and called Rachel and Leah into the field where his flock was ⁵and said to them, "I see that your father does not regard me with favor as he did before. But the God of my father has been with me. ⁶You know that I have served your father with all my strength, ⁷yet your father has cheated me and changed my wages ten times. But God did not permit him to harm me.

⁸If he said, 'The spotted shall be your wages,' then all the flock bore spotted; and if he said, 'The striped shall be your wages,' then all the flock bore striped. ⁹Thus God has taken away the livestock of your father and given them to me. ¹⁰In the breeding season of the flock I lifted up my eyes and saw in a dream that the goats that mated with the flock were striped, spotted, and mottled. ¹¹Then the angel of God said to me in the dream, 'Jacob,' and I said, 'Here I am!' ¹²And he said, 'Lift up your eyes and see, all the goats that mate with the flock are striped, spotted, and mottled, for I have seen all that Laban is doing to you. ¹³I am the God of Bethel, where you anointed a pillar and made a vow to me. Now arise, go out from this land and return to the land of your kindred.'"

¹⁴Then Rachel and Leah answered and said to him, "Is there any portion or inheritance left to us in our father's house? ¹⁵Are we not regarded by him as foreigners? For he has sold us, and he has indeed devoured our money. ¹⁶All the wealth that God has taken away from our father belongs to us and to our children. Now then, whatever God has said to you, do."

¹⁷So Jacob arose and set his sons and his wives on camels. ¹⁸He drove away all his livestock, all his property that he had gained, the livestock in his possession that he had acquired in Paddanaram, to go to the land of Canaan to his father Isaac. ¹⁹Laban had gone to shear his sheep, and Rachel stole her father's household gods. ²⁰And Jacob tricked Laban the Aramean, by not telling him that he intended to flee. ²¹He fled with all that he had and arose and crossed the Euphrates, and set his face toward the hill country of Gilead.

SERMON NOTES

"Facing Cultural Challenges with God's Provision" *Genesis* 30:25-31:21

1.	Jacob faces challenges living in a culture that is unsympathetic to God's kingdom. (vv. 30:25-31:2)				
	• Long-standing relational unpredictability (vv. 30:25-36; 31:1-2)				
	• Potentially confusing cultural influences (vv. 30:37-43)				
2.	God imparts calling and provision to his people to live faithfully as servants of our God and his kingdom. (vv. 31:3-21)				
	• The provision of revelation from God (vv. 31:3, 10-13; 28:13-19)				
	• The calling to mentor our family (vv. 31:4-7)				
	• The calling to steward our family's resonse to God's calling (vv. 31:14-16, 19)				
	• The provision and calling to take the first steps to go as he commands (vv. 31:17-21)				

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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, June 20

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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.