



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 4, 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.
- 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

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**Welcome and greetings**

Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

**\* Call to worship**

taken from Jeremiah 32 and Revelation 4:8

**Leader:** Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.

**All:** **You show love to thousands—O great and powerful God, whose name is the LORD Almighty, great are your purposes and mighty are your deeds.**

**Leader:** You performed miraculous signs and wonders in Egypt and have continued them to this day, both in Israel and among all mankind, and have gained the renown that is still yours.

**All:** **Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!**

**\* 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! 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**

**Hymn of preparation**                      "Give to the Winds Thy Fears"

Give to the winds thy fears; hope and be undismayed.  
God hears thy sighs and counts thy tears;  
our God will lift up, our God will lift up, our God will lift up thy head.

You see our weakness, Lord; our hearts are known to thee.  
O lift thou up our sinking hearts  
to know thy mercy, to know thy mercy, to know thy mercy and pow'r.

Through waves and clouds and storms, he gently clears the way.  
Wait thou his time; so shall this night  
soon end in joy, soon end in joy, soon end in joyous day.

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

**\* Scripture reading from Genesis 32:1-21**

*text printed in the bulletin*

Marianne Stern (9:30)  
Annie Reynolds (11:00)

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

**Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word**

**Sermon**

"A Rock and a Hard Place"  
Frank Hitchings, senior associate 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

"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

Colossians 2:13-15

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you 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.

## 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

### "Sing to Jesus"

Come and see, look on this mystery—Lord of the universe, nailed to a tree.  
Christ our God, spilling his holy blood, bowing in anguish his sacred head.  
Sing to Jesus, Lord of our shame;  
Lord of our sinful hearts, he is our great Redeemer.  
Sing to Jesus, honor his name;  
sing of his faithfulness, pouring his life out unto death.

Come you weary and he will give you rest; come you who mourn, lay on his breast.  
Christ who died, risen in paradise; giver of mercy, giver of life.  
Sing to Jesus, his is the throne  
now and forever; he is the King of Heaven.  
Sing to Jesus, we are his own;  
now and forever sing for the love our God has shown.

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## “The King in All His Beauty”

O lift your eyes to heaven, see the Holy One, eternal.  
Behold the Lord of majesty, exalted in his temple  
as symphonies of angels praise, now strain to sound his glory.  
Come worship; fall before his grace, the King in all his beauty.

*Refrain:* How worthy, how worthy, how worthy,  
the King in all his beauty.

Now see the King who wears a crown, one made of shame and splinters,  
the sacrifice for ruined man, the substitute for sinners.  
As earth is stained with royal blood and quakes with love and fury,  
he breathes his last and bows his head, the King in all his beauty. *Refrain*

Now see the Savior lifted up, the Lamb who reigns in splendor.  
The hope of every tribe and tongue, his Kingdom is forever!  
Bring praise and honor to his courts; bring wisdom, pow’r, and blessing.  
For endless ages we’ll adore the King in all his beauty. *Refrain*

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### \* Prayer of thanksgiving

### \* Hymn of praise

“Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken”

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee;  
destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shalt be.  
Perish every fond ambition, all I’ve sought or hoped or known;  
yet how rich is my condition, God and heav’n are still my own.

Soul, then know thy full salvation, rise o’er sin and fear and care;  
joy to find in every station something still to do or bear.  
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father’s smiles are thine!  
Think that Jesus died to win thee; child of heav’n, canst thou repine?

Hasten on from grace to glory, armed by faith and winged by prayer;  
heav’n’s eternal days before me, God’s own hand shall guide me there.  
Soon shall close my earthly mission, swift shall pass my pilgrim days;  
hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.  
*text by Henry F. Lyte, 1824, 1833; music by Bill Moore, 2001*

### \* 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*

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**Musicians for this week:**

**Joel Christie** – vocalist

**Charley Crichton** – bass

**David Henry** – guitar, vocalist

**Maddie Lee** – piano

**Hannah Lutz** – viola

**Hannah Pulliam** – flute

**Hallie Blair Quatro** – vocalist

## Genesis 32:1-21

<sup>1</sup>Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him. <sup>2</sup>And when Jacob saw them he said, "This is God's camp!" So he called the name of that place Mahanaim. <sup>3</sup>And Jacob sent messengers before him to Esau his brother in the land of Seir, the country of Edom, <sup>4</sup>instructing them, "Thus you shall say to my lord Esau: Thus says your servant Jacob, 'I have sojourned with Laban and stayed until now. <sup>5</sup>I have oxen, donkeys, flocks, male servants, and female servants. I have sent to tell my lord, in order that I may find favor in your sight.'"

<sup>6</sup>And the messengers returned to Jacob, saying, "We came to your brother Esau, and he is coming to meet you, and there are four hundred men with him." <sup>7</sup>Then Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed. He divided the people who were with him, and the flocks and herds and camels, into two camps, <sup>8</sup>thinking, "If Esau comes to the one camp and attacks it, then the camp that is left will escape." <sup>9</sup>And Jacob said, "O God of my father Abraham and God of my father Isaac, O LORD who said to me, 'Return to your country and to your kindred, that I may do you good,' <sup>10</sup>I am not worthy of the least of all the deeds of steadfast love and all the faithfulness that you have shown to your servant, for with only my staff I crossed this Jordan, and now I have become two camps. <sup>11</sup>Please deliver me from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau, for I fear him, that he may come and attack me, the mothers with the children. <sup>12</sup>But you said, 'I will surely do you good, and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.'"

<sup>13</sup>So he stayed there that night, and from what he had with him he took a present for his brother Esau, <sup>14</sup>two hundred female goats and twenty male goats, two hundred ewes and twenty rams, <sup>15</sup>thirty milking camels and their calves, forty cows and ten bulls, twenty female donkeys and ten male donkeys. <sup>16</sup>These he handed over to his servants, every drove by itself, and said to his servants, "Pass on ahead of me and put a space between drove and drove." <sup>17</sup>He instructed the first, "When Esau my brother meets you and asks you, 'To whom do you belong? Where are you going? And whose are these ahead of you?' <sup>18</sup>then you shall say, 'They belong to your servant Jacob. They are a present sent to my lord Esau. And moreover, he is behind us.'" <sup>19</sup>He likewise instructed the second and the third and all who followed the droves, "You shall say the same thing to Esau when you find him, <sup>20</sup>and you shall say, 'Moreover, your servant Jacob is behind us.'" For he thought, "I may appease him with the present that goes ahead of me, and afterward I shall see his face. Perhaps he will accept me." <sup>21</sup>So the present passed on ahead of him, and he himself stayed that night in the camp.



**SERMON NOTES**  
"A Rock and a Hard Place"  
*Genesis 32:1-21*

1. An encouraging reminder leading to a revealing response (vv. 1-5)
  
2. A growing fear leading to dependent prayer (vv. 6-12)
  - An affirmation of God's past faithfulness (v. 9)
  
  - A proclamation of Jacob's core unworthiness (v. 10a)
  
  - A recollection of God's abundant provision (v. 10b)
  
  - A petition for God's intervention (v. 11)
  
  - A rehearsal of God's promises (v. 12)
  
3. An appeasing offer to an offended party (vv. 13-21)

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED** in our summer food collection. We were able to donate 11 shopping carts full of peanut butter, jelly, canned ravioli, and more to the Chattanooga Area Salvation Army Food Pantry. Keep an eye out for information on our 2021 Build-A-Bag Food Drive beginning in August.

**WE WILL GIVE A REPORT ON THE 2021 PCA GENERAL ASSEMBLY** next 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 which took place this past week in St. Louis. All are invited to attend! Nursery will be available.

**OUR NEXT WOMEN'S SUMMER SUPPERS** will take place on Tuesday, July 13. Registration via Realm is now open. 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](mailto:women@lmpc.org).

**OUR MONTHLY VIP EVENTS ARE RESUMING IN JULY!** To welcome everyone back, we invite you to join us for pizza and popcorn at our annual VIP Movie Night on Thursday, July 15, at 6:00 p.m. To allow everyone to spread out as desired, we will meet in the fellowship hall. There is no cost to join us, but we do request that you RSVP no later than Monday, July 12. You can register via Realm or by calling the LMPC church office at 423-821-4528.

**THE NEXT INTRO TO LMPC CLASS WILL BE HELD AUGUST 20-22**, as well as a final session on August 29 (if needed). This class is for those who are interested in joining LMPC or learning more about what we believe. If you are interested in signing up for the class, please confirm by emailing [julie@lmpc.org](mailto:julie@lmpc.org) or calling 423-424-5973 by August 8.

**SAVE THE DATE FOR FAMILY CAMP** which will take place September 10-12, 2021. Mark your calendars for registration opening on Tuesday, August 17 at 7:00 a.m. More information coming soon!

**DUE TO CIVIL UNREST IN THEIR COUNTRY OF SERVICE**, one of our supported missionary families is looking for housing (preferably rent-free) for the next 9-12 months. If you have a guest house or apartment that may be available, please email Stephanie Young at [stephanie@lmpc.org](mailto:stephanie@lmpc.org).

*To find out more about happenings at LMPC, visit [lmpc.org/news](http://lmpc.org/news)*

## MEMBERS & VISITORS - PLEASE REACH OUT TO US!

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

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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

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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:

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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!

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## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, July 4*

9:30 a.m. Worship service with communion *sanctuary & fellowship hall*  
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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 Sunday of every month in all morning services.