

## LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 25, 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.
- 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

Joseph Wingfield, ruling elder

#### \* Call to worship

taken from Psalm 19 and Psalm 47

- Leader: The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of his hands.
- All: Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.
- Leader: How awesome is the LORD Most High, the great King over all the earth!
- All: Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises. For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.
- \* Hymn of praise "From All That Dwell below the Skies"

From all that dwell below the skies let the Creator's praise arise; let the Redeemer's name be sung through every land, by every tongue. In every land begin the song; to every land the strains belong. In cheerful sound all voices raise and fill the world with joyful praise.

Eternal are your mercies, Lord; eternal truth attends your word. Your praise shall sound from shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more. *text by Isaac Watts, 1719, based on Psalm 117; music by John Hatton, 1793* 

#### \* Prayer of adoration

#### Affirmation of faith

The Heidelberg Catechism, question one

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

#### Call to confession

based on Titus 2

The grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope—the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. He gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, a people eager to do what is good.

Hymn of confession "Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

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.

*Refrain:* I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms; in the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream; all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him. *Refrain* 

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden, lost and ruined by the fall; if you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all. *Refrain text by Joseph Hart*, 1759; *music from Walker's* Southern Harmony, 1835

#### Silent prayers of confession

#### Assurance of God's pardoning grace

We have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God. Since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool, because by one sacrifice he has made perfect forever those who are being made holy.

#### \* Hymn of assurance "Before the Throne of God Above"

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea, a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart; I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart; no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within, upward I look and see him there who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free; for God, the Just, is satisfied to look on him and pardon me; to look on him and pardon me.

Behold him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness, the great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace! One with himself, I cannot die; my soul is purchased by his blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God; with Christ, my Savior and my God. *text by Charitie Lees Bancroft, 1863; music by Vikki Cook, 1997* 

#### Hymn of preparation "May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

May the mind of Christ my Savior live in me from day to day, by his love and power controlling all I do and all I say. May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour, so that all may see I triumph only through his power.

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in everything, that I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing. May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea; him exalting self abasing, this is victory. May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe, looking only unto Jesus as I onward go. May his beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win, and may they forget the channel, seeing only him. *text by Kate Wilkinson, 1925; music by DH, 2016* 

\* Scripture reading from Genesis 34

Rebekah Risley (9:30) Margot Kapic (11:00)

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 "Tragic Mistreatment/Toxic Response" Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

Pastoral prayer

#### \* Hymn of response

"O Great God"

O great God of highest heav'n, occupy my lowly heart. Own it all and reign supreme. Conquer every rebel power. Let no vice or sin remain that resists your holy war. You have loved and purchased me; make me yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice, did not know your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys. Then your Spirit gave me life, opened up your Word to me through the Gospel of your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on your grace. Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face. You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed. O great God of highest heav'n, glorify your name through me. text and music by Bob Kauflin © 2006 Sovereign Grace Praise, EMI Christian Music Publishing, ARR, ICS, 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:

Hank Currin – vocalist Xaris Emmett – violin Hannah Lutz – viola Hallie Blair Quatro – vocalist Jeremy Taylor – piano

#### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: METANOIA PRISON MINISTRIES

Metanoia Prison Ministries is one of our Home Missions strategic partners. Metanoia runs a ministry called "The Next Door," a private, Christian-run facility on Moccasin Bend which houses 45 female prisoners who are finishing the last 18 months of their sentence. The Next Door is having their next volunteer training this Wednesday, July 28, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Volunteers should be over 25 years of age and ready to come alongside a prisoner in a one-on-one relationship. If you are interested, please email Mark Casson at mcasson@pcanet.org.

#### WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL ARE INVITED TO A SERVICE OF INSTALLATION for Wil Nettleton, our new pastor of outreach, on Sunday, August 15 at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Following this special service, we will celebrate with ice cream and cookies in the courtyard as we welcome Wil and Mary and their children, Cooper and Story, to the LMPC family. Nursery will be provided.

**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 or calling 423-424-5973 by August 8.

**GRIEF SHARE IS A GRIEF RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP** where you can find help and healing for the hurt of losing a loved one. Our fall group will meet on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. beginning August 12. You can register for this group via Realm. For more information, contact Ed Salter at 678-358-8782 or edwardsalter815@gmail.com; or Chad Middlebrooks at 423-424-4097 or chad@lmpc.org.

**WE WILL BE RESUMING IN-PERSON** Adult Sunday School this fall. Sunday School classes for all ages begin on August 15. You can find the schedule and locations for adult classes at lmpc.org/sunday-school. All are welcome to join!

**SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP FALL KICK-OFF** on Sunday, August 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Join us for an evening of food and fellowship as we celebrate being back together, and hear what is ahead for Women's Discipleship in the coming year. We will enjoy dinner from Bob's Brick Oven and worship led by Jennifer Daniels. The cost is \$10 per person, and no prior registration is required.

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVING OUR YOUNGEST WORSHIPPERS?** Our nursery needs helpers this fall. These opportunities include Sunday School helpers, monthly and quarterly nursery volunteers, and college/adult paid nursery workers. To sign up, please contact Amy Horne at amy@lmpc.org.

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

#### Genesis 34

<sup>1</sup>Now Dinah the daughter of Leah, whom she had borne to Jacob, went out to see the women of the land. <sup>2</sup>And when Shechem the son of Hamor the Hivite, the prince of the land, saw her, he seized her and lay with her and humiliated her. <sup>3</sup>And his soul was drawn to Dinah the daughter of Jacob. He loved the young woman and spoke tenderly to her. <sup>4</sup>So Shechem spoke to his father Hamor, saying, "Get me this girl for my wife."

<sup>5</sup>Now Jacob heard that he had defiled his daughter Dinah. But his sons were with his livestock in the field, so Jacob held his peace until they came. <sup>6</sup>And Hamor the father of Shechem went out to Jacob to speak with him. <sup>7</sup>The sons of Jacob had come in from the field as soon as they heard of it, and the men were indignant and very angry, because he had done an outrageous thing in Israel by lying with Jacob's daughter, for such a thing must not be done.

<sup>8</sup>But Hamor spoke with them, saying, "The soul of my son Shechem longs for your daughter. Please give her to him to be his wife. <sup>9</sup>Make marriages with us. Give your daughters to us, and take our daughters for yourselves. <sup>10</sup>You shall dwell with us, and the land shall be open to you. Dwell and trade in it, and get property in it." 11Shechem also said to her father and to her brothers, "Let me find favor in your eyes, and whatever you say to me I will give. <sup>12</sup>Ask me for as great a bride-price and gift as you will, and I will give whatever you say to me. Only give me the young woman to be my wife." <sup>13</sup>The sons of Jacob answered Shechem and his father Hamor deceitfully, because he had defiled their sister Dinah. <sup>14</sup>They said to them, "We cannot do this thing, to give our sister to one who is uncircumcised, for that would be a disgrace to us. <sup>15</sup>Only on this condition will we agree with you—that you will become as we are by every male among you being circumcised. <sup>16</sup>Then we will give our daughters to you, and we will take your daughters to ourselves, and we will dwell with you and become one people. <sup>17</sup>But if you will not listen to us and be circumcised, then we will take our daughter, and we will be gone." <sup>18</sup>Their words pleased Hamor and Hamor's son Shechem. <sup>19</sup>And the young man did not delay to do the thing, because he delighted in Jacob's daughter. Now he was the most honored of all his father's house. <sup>20</sup>So Hamor and his son Shechem came to the gate of their city and spoke to the men of their city, saying, <sup>21</sup>"These men are at peace with us; let them dwell in the land and trade in it, for behold, the land is large enough for them. Let us take their daughters as wives, and let us give them our daughters. <sup>22</sup>Only on this condition will the men agree to dwell with us to become one people—when every male among us is circumcised as they are circumcised. <sup>23</sup>Will not their livestock, their property and all their beasts be ours? Only let us agree with them, and they will dwell with us." <sup>24</sup>And all who went out of the gate of his city listened to Hamor and his son Shechem, and every male was circumcised, all who went out of the gate of his city. <sup>25</sup>On the third day, when they were sore, two of the sons of Jacob, Simeon and Levi, Dinah's brothers, took their swords and came against the city while it felt secure and killed all the males. <sup>26</sup>They killed Hamor and his son Shechem with the sword and took Dinah out of Shechem's house and went away. <sup>27</sup>The sons of Jacob came upon the slain and plundered the city, because they had defiled their sister. <sup>28</sup>They took their flocks and their herds, their donkeys, and whatever was in the city and in the field. <sup>29</sup>All their wealth, all their little ones and their wives, all that was in the houses, they captured and plundered.

<sup>30</sup>Then Jacob said to Simeon and Levi, "You have brought trouble on me by making me stink to the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites and the Perizzites. My numbers are few, and if they gather themselves against me and attack me, I shall be destroyed, both I and my household." <sup>31</sup>But they said, "Should he treat our sister like a prostitute?"

#### **SERMON NOTES**

"Tragic Mistreatment/Toxic Response" Genesis 34

1. The tragic mistreatment of Dinah (vv. 1-4)

2. The toxic response of Jacob's sons (vv. 8-29)

3. The troubling silence and self-centeredness of Jacob (vv. 5-7, 30-31)

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#### 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
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- □ 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

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#### TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, July 25

9:30 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary & fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary & fellowship hall
4:00 p.m.	Middle school Bible study	JHYB
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	JHYB

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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