



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 5, 2021 | **Sanctuary Service**

Order of Worship

Prelude

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"
Karl Osterland

Welcome and announcements

Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults

* Call to worship

based on Ephesians 1:3-18

Leader: All glorious God, we give you thanks: in your Son, Jesus Christ, you have given us every spiritual blessing in the heavenly realms.

All: You chose us, before the creation of the world, to be your people, holy and blameless in your sight. You adopted us as your children in Christ. You have set us free by his blood; you have forgiven our sins.

Leader: You have made known to us the mystery of your will, to bring heaven and earth into unity in Christ. You have given us your Holy Spirit, the seal and pledge of our inheritance.

All: All praise and glory be yours, O God, for the richness of your grace, for the splendor of your gifts, for the wonder of your love.

* Hymn of praise 100

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!
text by Reginald Heber, 1783-1826; music by John B. Dykes, 1861, NICAEA

*** Prayer of adoration and the Lord's prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Anthem of preparation

"Jesus Paid It All"

Chancel Choir

I hear the Savior say, "Thy strength indeed is small!
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;
sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

For nothing good have I whereby thy grace to claim—
I'll wash my garments white in the blood of Calv'ry's Lamb.

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;
sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete,
"Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat.

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;
sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.
text by Elvina M. Hall; music by John T. Grape, arr. Robert Sterling, 1985

*** Scripture reading from Luke 4:1-13**

Joe Novenson

¹And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness ²for forty days, being tempted by the devil. And he ate nothing during those days. And when they were ended, he was hungry.

³The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread." ⁴And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone.'"

⁵And the devil took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time, ⁶and said to him, "To you I will give all this authority and their glory, for it has been delivered to me, and I give it to whom I will. ⁷If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours." ⁸And Jesus answered him, "It is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God, and him only shall you serve.'"

⁹And he took him to Jerusalem and set him on the pinnacle of the temple and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, ¹⁰for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you,' ¹¹and 'On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.'" ¹²And Jesus answered him, "It is said, 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

¹³And when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from him until an opportune time.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*** Gloria Patri 735**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"The Right Man on Our Side"
Wil Nettleton, pastor of outreach

1. The context of Jesus' temptation: Jesus is led by the Spirit, hungry in the wilderness. (vv. 1-2)
2. The content of Jesus' temptation:
 - Stone into bread: Jesus is tempted to seek a different provision. (vv. 3-4)
 - The crown without the cross: Jesus is tempted to seek an easier plan. (vv. 5-8)
 - Putting God to the test: Jesus is tempted to seek evidence of his security. (vv. 9-12)
3. The conclusion of Jesus' temptation: The evil one retreats. (v. 13)

Pastoral prayer

This morning we celebrate the Lord's Supper. This celebration is a sacred time during which God's people enjoy communion with him and unity with each other. We believe that the Lord's Supper is meant for the body of Christ as a gathered, corporate reality and not merely for personal or individual edification. For this reason, the livestream is ending at the conclusion of the sermon and will not include the celebration of the sacrament.

Musicians for this week:

Randall Crenshaw – guest director

Joshua Knight – organ, piano

RENEW CAMPAIGN UPDATES

IF YOU DID NOT YET RSVP TO ONE OF OUR RENEW VISION GATHERINGS but would still like to attend, we have space open for the events on Thursday, September 16 and Sunday, September 19. These gatherings will take place at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall and will include food, fellowship, and a chance to hear our lead pastor, Brian Salter, explain the vision for RENEW and for the future of LMPC. Please RSVP for your date of choice by logging into your Realm account or by calling the church office at 423-821-4528.

PLEASE SAVE THE DATE AND PLAN TO JOIN US on Sunday, September 26 for the RENEW Early Decision Night. At this event, we will hear from Brian Salter and we will respond to RENEW by making our commitments together. You don't want to miss this special evening of worship together as we launch the RENEW Campaign.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL BAGS OF FOOD FOR THE BUILD-A-BAG FOOD DRIVE need to be returned today to the Small Conference Room. If you have questions on this year's collection, please contact Stephanie Young, missions coordinator, at stephanie@lmpc.org. Thank you to everyone who participated!

CROWN THE LORD'S DAY IN PRAYER AND WORSHIP every week at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel. We pray for missions partners around the city and the world on the first Sunday of each month, and we celebrate Communion on the third Sunday of each month. Please join us!

FALL WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES begin this week. You can find a full schedule of studies at lmpc.org/womens-bible-studies. If you have any questions, please email our women's discipleship director, Caroline Scruggs, at caroline@lmpc.org.

OUR FALL DIVORCE CARE GROUP WILL BEGIN MEETING next Sunday, September 12 at 10:45 a.m. at the home of Mary and Leon Sulser. Divorce Care is a divorce recovery support group where you can find help and healing for the hurt of separation and divorce. For more information, please contact Leon Sulser at leonsulser@gmail.com or Julie Dean at julie@lmpc.org.

OUR FALL MEN'S STEAK NIGHT will take place on Thursday, September 30. Men will gather in groups of about 10 people at various homes to eat meat and enjoy great fellowship. You are welcome to invite your friends. Please send an email by Thursday, September 23 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.

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