



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 12, 2021 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO LMPC! *We're so glad you are with us today. Please use the welcome card from the pew rack 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

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Joe Donnovin, ruling elder

Introit

"Jesus, My Lord, My Life, My All"

Chancel Choir

Jesus my Lord, my life, my all, hear me, blest Savior, when I call;
hear me, and from thy dwelling place pour down the riches of thy grace.

Jesus, too late I thee have sought; how can I love thee as I ought?
And how extol thy matchless fame, the glorious beauty of thy name?

Jesus, of thee will be my song; to thee my heart and soul belong;
all that I have or own is thine, and thou, O blessed Savior, thou art mine.

Jesus, my Lord, I thee adore; O make me love thee more and more.
text by Henry Collins; music by Bob Burroughs, 1963

*** Call to worship**

based on Psalm 118

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.
Open for us the gates of righteousness; we will enter and give thanks
to the LORD.

All: We will give thanks, for you answered us and have become our
salvation.

Leader: The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes.

All: This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

* **Hymn of praise 342**, vv. 1, 2, 5

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

Christ is made the sure foundation, Christ the head and cornerstone,
chosen of the Lord and precious, binding all the church in one;
holy Zion’s help forever, and her confidence alone.

All that dedicated city, dearly loved of God on high,
in exultant jubilation pours perpetual melody;
God the One in Three adoring in glad hymns eternally.

Laud and honor to the Father, laud and honor to the Son,
laud and honor to the Spirit, ever Three and ever One,
One in might, and One in glory, while unending ages run.
text is Latin, 7th century; music by Henry Smart, 1876, REGENT SQUARE

* **Prayer of adoration**

Sacrament of baptism

Hannah and Enoch Elwell bringing Catharine Constancia Elwell (9:30)
Ashleigh and Chris Chafin bringing Everleigh Scully Chafin (11:00)

Call to confession

based on Isaiah 55:6-7

Seek the LORD while he may be found; call on him while he is near. Let the wicked forsake his way and the evil man his thoughts. Let him turn to the LORD, and he will have mercy on him. Let him turn to our God, for he will freely pardon.

Silent prayers of confession

Choral meditation

“Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted”

Chancel Choir

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see him dying on the tree!
‘Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, ‘tis he, ‘tis he!
‘Tis the long-expected Prophet, David’s son, yet David’s Lord;
by his Son God now has spoken: ‘tis the true and faithful Word.

Ye who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great
here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate.
Mark the sacrifice appointed, see who bears the awful load;
‘tis the Word, the Lord’s Anointed, Son of Man and Son of God.

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Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost;
Christ's the Rock of our salvation, his the name of which we boast.
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt!
None shall ever be confounded who on him their hope have built.

*text by Thomas Kelly, 1804; music from Geistliche Volkslieder, Paderborn, 1850, O MEIN JESU, ICH
MUSS STERBEN*

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on 1 Peter 2 and Galatians 2

Leader: Jesus Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. For we were like sheep going astray, but now we have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls.

All: We have been crucified with Christ and we no longer live, but Christ lives in us. The life that we live in the body, we live by faith in the Son of God, who loved us and gave himself for us.

* Hymn of assurance 176, vv. 1, 2, 4

"Hail, Thou Once Despised Jesus!"

Hail, thou once despised Jesus! Hail, thou Galilean King!
Thou didst suffer to release us; thou didst free salvation bring.
Hail, thou agonizing Savior, bearer of our sin and shame!
By thy merits we find favor; life is given through thy name.

Paschal Lamb, by God appointed, all our sins on thee were laid;
by almighty love anointed, thou hast full atonement made.
All thy people are forgiven through the virtue of thy blood;
opened is the gate of heaven; peace is made 'twixt man and God.

Worship, honor, pow'r and blessing thou art worthy to receive;
loudest praises, without ceasing, meet it is for us to give.
Help, ye bright angelic spirits, bring your sweetest, noblest lays;
help to sing our Savior's merits, help to chant Emmanuel's praise!
text by John Bakewell, 1757; music is from traditional Netherlands melody, 1710, arr. Julius Röntgen, ca. 1906, IN BABILONE

* Scripture reading from Luke 4:14-30

pp. 1021-1022 in the pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Denny Wise (9:30)

Dorcas Crenshaw (11:00)

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

* **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.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "The Return of Jesus to His Hometown of Nazareth"
 Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults

Pastoral prayer

* **Hymn of response 369**, vv. 1, 4, 5

"Shout for the Blessed Jesus Reigns"

Shout, for the blessed Jesus reigns; through distant lands his triumphs spread;
and sinners, freed from endless pains, own him their Savior and their Head.

O may his holy church increase, his Word and Spirit still prevail,
while angels celebrate his praise, and saints his growing glories hail.

Loud hallelujahs to the Lamb, from all below, and all above!
In lofty songs exalt his name, in songs as lasting as his love.

text by Benjamin Beddome, 1769; music from Psalmodia Evangelica, 1789, TRURO

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response**

"Threefold Amen"

* **Postlude**

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – director

Joshua Knight – organ

Luke 4:14-30

¹⁴And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. ¹⁶And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written, ¹⁸“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” ²⁰And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹And he began to say to them, “Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.” ²²And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, “Is not this Joseph’s son?”

²³And he said to them, “Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, ““Physician, heal yourself.” What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well.” ²⁴And he said, “Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. ²⁵But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. ²⁷And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.”

²⁸When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰But passing through their midst, he went away.

Celebrating the baptism of Catharine Constancia Elwell at the 9:30 service in the sanctuary today are her parents, Hannah and Enoch Elwell.

Celebrating the baptism of Everleigh Scully Chafin at the 11:00 service in the sanctuary today are her parents, Ashleigh and Chris Chafin, and her grandparents, Wanda and Samuel Chafin and Cynthia and Dan Glecier.

The rosebud in the fellowship hall today is for the birth of Drake Ayers Woodruff, born to Hope and Zach Woodruff on September 7.

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUILD-A-BAG REPORT: We collected 300 bags for donation to the local food pantry of the Salvation Army. THANK YOU to everyone who participated in this year's collection. This amounted to 36 shopping carts and nearly 9,000 pounds of food! For the first time, we welcomed volunteers from the congregation to help us load the donations onto the truck. We had over 20 staff and church members volunteer.

IN RESPONSE TO THE DEVASTATING DAMAGE AND FLOODING of hurricane Ida, the Home Missions Committee has made a donation to MNA's Disaster Response efforts to assist with disaster relief. For more information on MNA's work, or to give toward this need, please visit pcamna.org/mna-disaster-response-announcement.

FOR ALL WOMEN AT LMPC who are working downtown, running errands, have kids at MDO, or who just love lunch: we would love for you to join us for a time of food and fellowship every third Thursday of the month at Market South, beginning September 16. We will be there from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Feel free to drop in for a little while, or stay the whole time!

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.

THE LMPC HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT will take place September 24-26 at Camp ToknowHim near Pisgah, Alabama. The cost is \$125 and the deadline to register via Realm is this Wednesday, September 15. All high schoolers are welcome to attend! If you have any questions, please email annie@lmpc.org.

WHETHER YOU ARE NEWLYWEDS OR HAVE BEEN MARRIED MANY YEARS, THE MARRIAGE COURSE can help you strengthen your communication and grow your relationship. LMPC will be offering the Marriage Course beginning Tuesday, October 5 and going for seven evenings. The course is a video series where each couple sits at their own table and interacts only with one another. It will be held from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. each Tuesday evening in the Conference Room, and dessert will be provided. Interested? Just send an email to marriagecourse@lmpc.org. The registration deadline is Thursday, September 30.

DEAD THEOLOGIANS' SOCIETY - WEDNESDAYS AT 6:30 A.M. Join us at First Presbyterian Church on Wednesday mornings from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. for a group discussion of classic-orthodox theological works. The discussion is facilitated by Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults, and the group is currently reading J. I. Packer's *A Quest for Godliness: The Puritan Vision for The Christian Life*. All are welcome!

THANK YOU FROM THE SALTERS

The entire Salter family would like to say thank you to the LMPC Session and to all of the church family for the gift of our sabbatical. It was significantly needed and timely. We were able to play, laugh, and refresh our hearts, bodies, and minds together. Thank you!

Personally, I was able to rest, recalibrate, and find refreshment with my Lord, my wife, and my family. There are many things that I learned and processed over the sabbatical that I believe will be a great help to me in the next leg of pastoral ministry. I hope to share some of these things with you at some point.

I look forward to reconnecting and reengaging with you as we continue together to deepen our faith in the hope of the Gospel in the midst of turbulent times.

Brian

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 this Thursday, September 16 and next 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 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.

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, September 12

9:30 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for adults & children	<i>various locations</i>
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults, children, & youth.....	<i>various locations</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer service	<i>chapel</i>

Additional seating for the sanctuary services is available in the chapel.

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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Worship services with Communion are held on the first Sunday of every month in all morning services and in lieu of evening prayer on the third Sunday of every month.

Devices to amplify sound during the Sunday morning worship services are available. If you would like one, please arrive a few minutes early and ask an usher to assist you.