



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 3, 2021 | **Sanctuary Service**

Order of Worship

Prelude

"The Lord's My Shepherd"
music by Jessie Irvine, arr. Daniel Burton, 2015

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Welcome and announcements

Joe Novenson, pastor of senior adults

* Call to worship

Psalm 95:1-7

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

All: For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

All: For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

* Hymn of praise 302

"Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen!
loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
he is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend;
his love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
on heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,
singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

*text by Christian H. Bateman, 1843; music from traditional Spanish melody, arr. David Evans,
1927, MADRID*

*** Prayer of adoration**

Choral prayer

"The Lord's Prayer"

Chancel Choir

Soloist: Our Father, which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done in 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.

**Choir: For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.
Amen.**

text based on Matthew 6:9-13; music by Albert Hay Malotte, 1935

*** Scripture reading from Isaiah 59:1-15a**

Joe Novenson

¹Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull,
that it cannot hear; ²but your iniquities have made a separation between you
and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does
not hear.

³For your hands are defiled with blood and your fingers with iniquity; your
lips have spoken lies; your tongue mutters wickedness. ⁴No one enters suit
justly; no one goes to law honestly; they rely on empty pleas, they speak lies,
they conceive mischief and give birth to iniquity. ⁵They hatch adders' eggs;
they weave the spider's web; he who eats their eggs dies, and from one that is
crushed a viper is hatched. ⁶Their webs will not serve as clothing; men will not
cover themselves with what they make. Their works are works of iniquity, and
deeds of violence are in their hands. ⁷Their feet run to evil, and they are swift
to shed innocent blood; their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; desolation and
destruction are in their highways. ⁸The way of peace they do not know, and
there is no justice in their paths; they have made their roads crooked; no one
who treads on them knows peace.

⁹Therefore justice is far from us, and righteousness does not overtake us; we hope for light, and behold, darkness, and for brightness, but we walk in gloom. ¹⁰We grope for the wall like the blind; we grope like those who have no eyes; we stumble at noon as in the twilight, among those in full vigor we are like dead men. ¹¹We all growl like bears; we moan and moan like doves; we hope for justice, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far from us. ¹²For our transgressions are multiplied before you, and our sins testify against us; for our transgressions are with us, and we know our iniquities: ¹³transgressing, and denying the LORD, and turning back from following our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart lying words. ¹⁴Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands far away; for truth has stumbled in the public squares, and uprightness cannot enter. ¹⁵Truth is lacking, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey.

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

"Repenting of Our Rebellion"

Brian Salter, lead pastor

- 1. Our rebellion exposed:** True repentance requires us to accept the full blame for our sinful dilemma. (vv. 1-2)
- 2. Our rebellion illustrated:** True repentance requires us to see the extent of our sin and its effects. (vv. 3-8)
- 3. Our rebellion owned:** True repentance requires us to take ownership of our sin without self-justification. (vv. 9-15a)

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:

Jonah Hitchcock – cello
Joshua Knight – organ

Joy Gibbons – director
William Darby – soloist

The rosebud in the fellowship hall today is for the birth of Wells David Bosshardt, born to Mary and Jonathan Bosshardt on September 23.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY WE CONTINUE OUR EMPHASIS ON RENEW. If you would like to find out more about RENEW, pick up a booklet from around the church, visit lmpc.org/renew, or send an email to renew@lmpc.org. We look forward to Commitment Sunday on October 31.

JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT TAKEOUT! Registration is now open via Realm. The cost is \$5 per meal and pick-up will be from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. under the portico. You may pay by cash, check, or Venmo (@LktMtnPC) when you pick up your meal. If you need assistance with registering, please contact the church office at 423-821-4528.

COME JOIN YOUR NEIGHBORS AND LOVE LOOKOUT to help keep our mountain beautiful! We will gather this Saturday, October 9 to clean up our community's roadways and public spaces. Please meet at 9:00 a.m. in the lower parking lot of the Town Commons. Trash bags, safety vests, and gloves are provided.

ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS ARE INVITED FOR LUNCH next Sunday, October 10, at 12:15 p.m. in the Jane Harris Youth Building. Please join us!

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

SERVE THE CITY SATURDAY

If you are interested in learning more about our Strategic Partner Ministries, please consider joining us on Saturday, October 23, for a morning of service at Amani ya Juu, Church of the First Born, Hope for the Inner City, or Widow's Harvest. Volunteers will meet at LMPC for breakfast and a time of prayer before leaving for their respective ministries. Teams will be led by Wil Nettleton, Stephanie Young, and members of the Home Missions Committee. In some cases, opportunities are available for families with children over age 7 and/or mature teens. Registration is required and for some opportunities, space is limited. Please register via Realm or send an email to Stephanie Young in the missions office at stephanie@lmpc.org for more information.