

# LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**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.

# **Order of Worship**

# Welcome and greetings

Wil Nettleton, pastor of outreach

\* Call to worship

Psalm 96:1-9

Call to Worship

Leader: Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Sing to the LORD, praise his name; proclaim his salvation day after day.

Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous deeds among all peoples.

All: For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise; he is to be feared above all gods. For all the gods of the nations are idols, but the LORD made the heavens. Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and glory are in his sanctuary.

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of nations, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength. Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; bring an offering and come into his courts.

All: Worship the LORD in the splendor of his holiness; tremble before him, all the earth.

# \* Hymn of praise

#### "Across the Lands"

You're the Word of God the Father from before the world began. Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet has been fashioned by your hand. All creation holds together by the power of your voice. Let the skies declare your glory; let the land and seas rejoice!

*Refrain*: You're the Author of creation;

you're the Lord of ev'ry man;

and your cry of love rings out across the lands.

Yet you left the gaze of angels, came to seek and save the lost, and exchanged the joy of heaven for the anguish of a cross. With a prayer you fed the hungry; with a word you calmed the sea; yet how silently you suffered, that the guilty may go free! *Refrain* 

With a shout you rose victorious, wresting vict'ry from the grave, and ascended into heaven, leading captives in your way.

Now you stand before the Father, interceding for your own; from each tribe and tongue and nation, you are leading sinners home! *Refrain text and music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend* © 2002 Thankyou Music, LLC, ARR, UBP, CCLI Lic. #152036

## \* 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.

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

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He will not always accuse, nor will he harbor his anger forever; he does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us. As a father has compassion on his children, so the LORD has compassion on those who fear him.

### \* Hymn of assurance

"I Will Glory in My Redeemer"

I will glory in my Redeemer, whose priceless blood has ransomed me. Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails, and hung him on that judgment tree. I will glory in my Redeemer, who crushed the power of sin and death. My only Savior before the holy Judge: the Lamb who is my righteousness; the Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer; my life he bought, my love he owns.
I have no longings for another; I'm satisfied in him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer, his faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, my feet are firm, held by his grace; my feet are firm, held by his grace.

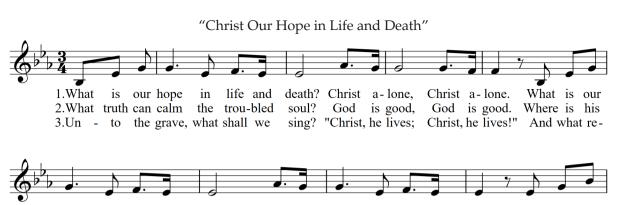
I will glory in my Redeemer, who carries me on eagle's wings. He crowns my life with loving-kindness; his triumph song I'll ever sing. I will glory in my Redeemer, who waits for me at gates of gold; and when he calls me it will be paradise, his face forever to behold; his face forever to behold.

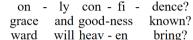
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# Worship in the giving of God's tithe and our offerings

Offertory hymn

"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death" (see facing page for words and music)





to meet the Lord.

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That our souls to him be - long. In our great Re-deem-er's blood. Ev - er - last - ing life with him.

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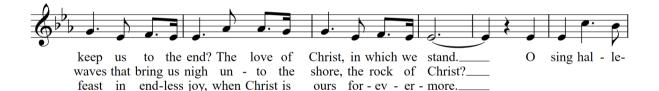
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#### New member vows

\* Scripture reading from Psalm 35:1-10 and Colossians 4:12 text printed in the bulletin

Emmie Thompson (9:30) Brad Cobb (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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

Sermon

"The Sweet Torture of Grappling with God" Eric Youngblood, pastor of Rock Creek Fellowship

#### Pastoral prayer

\* Hymn of response

"O Love That Will Not Let Me Go"

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee; I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow may richer, fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee; my heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee; I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain that morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

text by George Matheson, 1882; music by Christopher Miner, 1997

#### \* 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

<sup>\*</sup> Congregation standing as you are able

#### Musicians for this week:

Amy Barham – vocalist Carson Culbertson – guitar David Henry – guitar, vocalist Katie Holstege – clarinet Hannah Lutz – viola Scott Quatro – vocalist Rebekah Risley – vocalist Bob Wharton – piano

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

The following individuals have been received into the membership of Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church as of Sunday, November 14, 2021. We celebrate with them today and welcome them into our fellowship.

Hannie and Fred Brown	Julie Irwin
Rachel Caine	Hannah Jarrard
Phinehas Doe	KK and Austin Ledbetter
Laura and Doug Ehman	Sam Leo
Xaris Emmett	Betty Meekins
Mark Fowler	Mary Nettleton
Christy Gambrell	Hannah and Mark Perry
Jonah Hitchcock	Anne and Josiah Pettit

Diana and John Reed Jenna and Daniel Rooy Bob Schmidt Jill and James Sharrett Dani and DJ Stewart Hannah Thomas Deneen and Mark Turner

#### Psalm 35:1-10

¹Contend, O Lord, with those who contend with me; fight against those who fight against me. ²Take up shield and buckler; arise and come to my aid. ³Brandish spear and javelin against those who pursue me. Say to my soul, "I am your salvation." ⁴May those who seek my life be disgraced and put to shame; may those who plot my ruin be turned back in dismay. ⁵May they be like chaff before the wind, with the angel of the Lord driving them away; ⁶may their path be dark and slippery, with the angel of the Lord pursuing them. ⁵Since they hid their net for me without cause and without cause dug a pit for me, ⁵may ruin overtake them by surprise—may the net they hid entangle them, may they fall into the pit, to their ruin. ⁵Then my soul will rejoice in the Lord and delight in his salvation. ¹⁰My whole being will exclaim, "Who is like you, O Lord? You rescue the poor from those too strong for them, the poor and needy from those who rob them."

#### Colossians 4:12

<sup>12</sup>Epaphras, who is one of you and a servant of Christ Jesus, sends greetings. He is always wrestling in prayer for you, that you may stand firm in all the will of God, mature and fully assured.

#### **SERMON NOTES**

"The Sweet Torture of Grappling with God"

#### GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES GUEST SPEAKER, ERIC YOUNGBLOOD

Eric Youngblood has served for 20 years as the founding pastor of Rock Creek Fellowship, a daughter church of LMPC. After earning a bachelor's degree in finance from UTC, he worked at a life insurance company and then a software company in Nashville before completing his Master of Divinity at Reformed Theological Seminary in Orlando. He serves on the board of the Generosity Trust and is also on the Dora Maclellan Brown Scholarship Committee. Eric and his wife, Cathy, who began dating as students at McCallie and GPS, have been married for a little over 25 years and are delighted to be the parents of two



sons, one a junior in college and the other a junior in high school. They happily reside in Hinkle in Lookout Mountain, Georgia.

#### GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES

The Dr. George W. Long Preaching Series was established by the LMPC Session in 2001 to honor long-time pastor George Long, who served at LMPC through a season of spiritual renewal in the 1970s and '80s. It serves as an annual reminder of "our Savior's faithful use of his holy Word in our midst" and celebrates that God used Dr. Long to call LMPC back to the primacy of God's Word. Dr. Long died in 2016.

Previous speakers have included:

Richard Pratt

Steve Brown

Dr. Irwyn Ince

Dr. Michael Kruger

Rev. Kennedy Smartt

Rev. Harry Long

Rev. Joe Novenson

Rev. Jerram Barrs

Rev. Paul Tripp

Dr. Bryan Chapell

Dr. Reggie Kidd

Rev. Scotty Smith

Jerry Bridges

Rev. Roger Gulick

Dr. R.C. Sproul

#### **WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO PLEDGE TO RENEW! If you would like to find out more about RENEW, you may pick up a booklet from around the church, visit lmpc.org/renew, or send an email to renew@lmpc.org. You can make your three-year financial commitment to RENEW by pledging online at lmpc.org/renew or via your giving tab on Realm.

**JOIN US TONIGHT FOR A MISSIONARY REPORT** from supported missionary partners Elsbeth and Lewis Codington in Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel. Read more about the Codingtons on the facing page.

**HOLIDAY COLLECTION 2021: TODAY WE BEGIN COLLECTING NEW AND UNWRAPPED TOYS** for the Hope for the Inner City Christmas Store. You can find suggestions for gifts at Impc.org/christmas-store and on the bulletin board near the fellowship hall lobby. Donation drop-off is in room E-204 in the children's education building. Additionally, please mark your calendar for Family Night on Wednesday, December 1, when we host the staff of Hope for the Inner City for a night of pizza, bingo, and loading the trucks with donated items.

**GATHER YOUR LEAF BLOWERS, RAKES, GLOVES, SHEARS, AND WHEELBARROWS** and come help clean up the church! The deacons invite everyone to the Annual Fall Church Work Day this Saturday, November 20, beginning at 8:30 a.m. and continuing until noon. Tasks will include leaf collection, weeding, and vine removal. We will have donuts and drinks available for volunteers. The whole church family is encouraged to come and participate!

**JOIN US FOR A SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING** next Sunday, November 21, at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. The theme is "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come." Nursery will be provided.

**SAVE THE DATES** for our upcoming Christmas services. You can find the full schedule at lmpc.org/christmas-2021. More information about each service will be coming soon.

- Christmas Hymn Sing: Sunday, December 5 at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall
- Christmas Concert: Sunday, December 12 at 4:00 and 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary
- Christmas Eve Services: Friday, December 24 at 3:00, 5:00, and 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary

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

# **ELSBETH AND LEWIS CODINGTON, SUPPORTED MISSIONARY PARTNERS**

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

NAME

and Elsbeth Codington and their family of nine mildren have been missionaries with MTW and CLC atternational (a Christian literature mission) since 1990. For the last few years, they have been living in Seoul and serving forth Korean defectors by teaching them English and Bible, is well as serving on the CLC International leadership team. It is a serving on the CLC International leadership team. It is a serving on the class are now over Zoom because if the pandemic. Lewis has also been asked to update the set 40 years of CLC's 80-year long history. Because of the atternational pandemic restrictions, and also the need to do esearch for this book project, the Codingtons have relocated to their Stonedge Village apartment where Elsbeth continues teach their NK students over Zoom and where Lewis does esearch, writes, and meets with CLC International leaders reekly over Zoom.	Speak to a pastor   Speak to someone in the church office   Receive email from LMPC
	PRAYER REQUESTS & COMMENTS
Annual Budget: \$5,179,800 2021 Giving YTD: \$3,646,383 Remaining gifts needed: \$1,533,417 Dutstanding Pledge Balance: \$795,297 Unpledged Giving Needed: \$738,120 As we look toward the end of 2021, we ask that you keep up the momentum in giving and continue to give as you are led. We are grateful to God for the generosity of his beeple at LMPC. For more information on giving, visit mpc.org/give.	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!

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☐ First time visitor
☐ Repeat visitor
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\*By supplying your email address(es), you consent

to receive email from LMPC.

#### TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, November 14

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9:30 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary	& fellowship hall
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for adults & children		various locations
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary	& fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults, youth, & child	dren	various locations
4:00 p.m.	Middle school small groups		JHYB
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer with missionary report		chapel
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group		JHYB

For more events this week, visit lmpc.org/calendar.

# STAY CONNECTED WITH REALM AND THE CONNECT APP:

Have you unsubscribed from Realm email? You might be missing out on the weekly church newsletter. If you would like to ensure you're getting important communications, contact onrealm@lmpc.org

#### **OUR MISSION**

Glorifying God by growing in grace and giving our lives away on the mountain, in the city, and around the world.

#### **CONTACT US**

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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.