



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 20, 2022 | **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.*

CHILDCARE: *Children of any age are welcome in our worship services. If you desire to use our nursery for your children ages 0-3, please see one of our ushers for directions. The ushers can also point you to the crayons and activity sheets relevant to today's sermon that are provided for children each week.*

Order of Worship

Welcome and greetings

Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

*** Call to worship**

based on Ephesians 1:3-18

Leader: All glorious God, we give you thanks, for 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. In love, you predestined us to be adopted us as your children through Jesus Christ. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins.**

Leader: You have made known to us the mystery of your will, to bring all things in 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**

"Rejoice in All Your Works"

Every mouth that cries for food, every lung that yearns for breath,
every eye that searches through the dark for light,
all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food;
from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

Refrain: O rejoice in all your works, King of heaven, King of earth!
Every creature you have made declares your praise.
We rejoice in all you've made, God of all sustaining grace;
with the mountain, sky, and sea, we sing your praise.

Every tree that thirsts for rain, every bird that seeks its nest,
every heart that waits in hope to be made glad,
all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food;
from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied. *Refrain*

May the pond'rings of my heart and the song upon my lips
with the chorus of creation join in praise
to the God who made all things, to the Spirit who sustains,
to the Son who over all creation reigns. *Refrain*

text based on Psalm 104, music by Wendell Kimbrough ©2014 Wendell Kimbrough, ARP, 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

taken from Colossians 3

Since you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. Put to death whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on 1 Peter 2:24 and 2 Corinthians 8:9

Leader: Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; for by his wounds we have been healed.

All: For we know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for our sakes he became poor, so that we through his poverty might become rich.

* **Hymn of assurance**

“Here Is Love”

Here is love vast as the ocean, loving-kindness as a flood,
when the Prince of Life, our ransom, shed for us his precious blood.
Here is love, Lord we remember; from our hearts we lift your praise,
raising high the living anthem all will sing through endless days.

On the mount of crucifixion, fountains opened deep and wide.
Through the floodgates of your mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide.
Here is love, like mighty rivers, poured unceasing from above;
heaven’s peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

Let me, all thy love accepting, love thee ever all my days;
let me seek thy Kingdom only and my life be to thy praise.
Thou alone shalt be my glory, nothing in the world I see.
Thou hast cleansed and sanctified me; thou, thyself, hast set me free.
Here is love, Lord we remember; from our hearts we lift your praise,
raising high the living anthem all will sing through endless days.

text by William Rees, 1802-1883; music by Robert Lowry, 1876

Worship in the giving of God’s tithe and our offerings

Offertory hymn

“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 Luke 6:27-36**

text printed in the bulletin

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

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"Kingdom Character"
Wil Nettleton, pastor of outreach

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 pow'r.
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.

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* 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.**

RENEW update

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Musicians for this week:

Charley Crichton – bass
Kellie Currin – vocalist
David Henry – guitar, vocalist

Hannah Lutz – viola
Jeremy Taylor – piano
Fred Verwoerd – vocalist

Luke 6:27-36

²⁷“But I say to you who hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹To one who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also, and from one who takes away your cloak do not withhold your tunic either. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you, and from one who takes away your goods do not demand them back. ³¹And as you wish that others would do to you, do so to them.

³²“If you love those who love you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. ³³And if you do good to those who do good to you, what benefit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. ³⁴And if you lend to those from whom you expect to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to get back the same amount.

³⁵“But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, for he is kind to the ungrateful and the evil.

³⁶“Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”

SERMON NOTES
"Kingdom Character"
Luke 6:27-36

1. Jesus' radical commands (vv. 27-31)
 - Love those who hate you.

 - Treat well those who mistreat you.

 - Give to those who can't give back.

 - Give others the preferential treatment you wish they would give you.

2. The world's insufficient standards: Everyone loves those who love them! (vv. 32-34)

3. Our embodiment of the Father's mercy: We love our enemies because God loved us while we were still his enemies. (vv. 35-36)

BIG IDEA: Jesus commands his followers to show extraordinary love to the least likely people.

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LMPC WMC 2022 "A HOPE WORTH SHARING"

Registration for both the World Missions Conference Kick-Off Dinner and Banquet begins on Monday, February 21 via Realm.

The Kick-Off Dinner on Wednesday, March 9, will begin at 5:30 p.m. This event is open to families and is free to attend, though registration is required. Nursery will be available.

The Missions Banquet will be held on Saturday, March 12, at 6:00 p.m. The cost of the event is \$15 per person and registration is required. Nursery will not be provided. At this time, we are unable to accommodate food allergies by providing alternative meal options.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US TONIGHT FOR EVENING WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel. This service includes hymns and songs of praise, accompanied by piano and trumpet, as well as intercessory prayer and a homily. We will continue our study in 1 Peter.

JOIN US ON WEDNESDAYS for adult study, children's choirs, fellowship dinner, and Wednesday elementary classes. A full schedule of activities can be found at lmpc.org/wednesday. To facilitate our planning, **please register via Realm for the fellowship dinner.**

LMPC MEN, JOIN US FOR MEN'S DAY WEDNESDAY LUNCH the fourth Wednesday of each month. This month we will meet on Wednesday, February 23 at 11:45 a.m. at Feed Co. Table & Tavern on 201 W. Main Street. Come gather with us on your lunch hour for good food and fellowship!

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY WITH VISION OF MERCY: On Saturday, February 26, a small team of volunteers from LMPC will work alongside Vision of Mercy to serve meals to men and women experiencing homelessness in the Chattanooga area. If you are interested in helping, please contact Missions Coordinator, Stephanie Young, at stephanie@lmpc.org.

YOU ARE INVITED TO A SEMINAR, "IS IT ABUSE?," FEBRUARY 25-27. In an effort to assist our congregation with on-going training, the LMPC Safeguarding Team is holding a seminar presented by Darby Strickland based on her book, *Is It Abuse? A Biblical Guide to Identifying Domestic Abuse and Helping Victims*. In three sessions, Friday evening, Saturday morning, and Sunday during both Sunday school hours, we will explore these topics and learn how to minister to those affected by abuse. In addition, there will be a Q & A Brown Bag Lunch Event for women only on Saturday from noon to 1:00 p.m. For more information on the seminar, visit lmpc.org/domestic-abuse-seminar.

WE WILL OFFER OUR ANNUAL COMMUNICANTS CLASS for youth, grades 6 to 12, interested in joining LMPC on March 4-6. The class will meet Friday evening, Saturday morning, and Sunday during the Sunday school hour. Email Margaret Compton at margaret@lmpc.org for more information and to sign up. Please include the student's name, age, and grade in the email. The deadline to register is this Friday, February 25.

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

STEWARDSHIP 2022

Thanks to many of you who have submitted pledges to support the on-going operational and ministry needs of the church. We are pleased to announce that we have received pledges from 40% of the church membership and 51% of the funds needed for the expected ministry needs. We ask that, if you have not submitted your pledge, you prayerfully consider doing so as we would love to have 100% participation. There are multiple ways to submit your pledge, including via email to pledge@lmpc.org and on the church website at lmpc.org/pledge. We are asking that everyone submit their pledge by end of day so we can adequately prepare for ministry in 2022.

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
- Joining a small group
- 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
 Repeat visitor

NAME

SPOUSE (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

CHILDREN (IF ATTENDING TODAY)

ADDRESS

HOME PHONE

CELL

EMAIL*

SPOUSE CELL

SPOUSE EMAIL*

**By supplying your email address(es), you consent to receive email from LMPC.*

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, February 20

9:30 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for adults & children	<i>various locations</i>
10:30 a.m.	Elders are available to pray for your needs	<i>Brian Salter's office</i>
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults, youth, & children	<i>various locations</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening worship with communion	<i>chapel</i>

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

STAY CONNECTED WITH REALM AND THE CONNECT APP:

The LMPC online directory allows our members to easily find contact information for one another. And it's PRIVATE!! You can only access it through our LMPC Realm account. But if you don't have a Realm account, then you're not in the directory – and others can't find you. Contact onrealm@lmpc.org to request your Realm account today!

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.