



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 3, 2022 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

**WELCOME TO LMPC!** *We're so glad you are with us today. Please scan the QR code on the back of your bulletin to share important information with us through an online form. 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

John Wingard, ruling elder

\* Call to worship

based on Psalm 103

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits. He forgives all our sins and heals all our diseases, he redeems our lives from the pit and crowns us with love and compassion.

**All: He satisfies our desires with good things so that our youth is renewed like the eagle's. The LORD works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed.**

Leader: He made known his ways to Moses, and his deeds to the people of Israel. The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in love.

**All: The LORD has established his throne in heaven, and his kingdom rules over all. Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul!**

\* Hymn of praise

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,  
join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!  
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;  
ponder anew what the Almighty will do,  
if with his love he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
gladly fore'er we adore him.

*text by Joachim Neander, 1680; tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1863; music Stralsund Gesangbuch, 1665*

### \* 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.**

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

#### Offertory hymn

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:  
hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm is past;  
safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on thee;  
leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on thee is stayed, all help from thee I bring;  
cover my defenseless head in the shadow of thy wing.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within:  
thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee;  
spring thou up within my heart, to all eternity.

*text by Charles Wesley, 1740; music by Greg Thompson, 2000*

### \* Scripture reading from Luke 7:18-35

*text printed in the bulletin*

Eleanor Caines (9:30)

David Paschall (11:00)

This is the Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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

## Sermon

“Sincere Doubt versus Cynical Denial”  
Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

## Pastoral prayer

## Invitation to the Lord’s Table

*Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who have previously been admitted to the Lord’s Table, by the elders of this or any Gospel-proclaiming church, to receive the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper. Come with joy as you actively trust in Christ and willingly forsake sin, having sought reconciliation in all relationships.*

## Hymn of confession “Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy”

Come, ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready stands to save you, full of pity, love and pow’r.

*Refrain:* I will arise and go to Jesus, he will embrace me in his arms;  
in the arms of my dear Savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;  
all the fitness he requireth is to feel your need of him. *Refrain*

Come, ye weary, heavy-laden, lost and ruined by the fall;  
if you tarry till you’re better, you will never come at all. *Refrain*  
text by Joseph Hart, 1759; music from Walker’s Southern Harmony, 1835

## Silent prayers of confession

## Assurance of God’s pardoning grace

taken from Romans 5:6-8

At just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

## Words of institution

## Communion affirmation

**Leader:** Beloved in the Lord Jesus Christ, this Holy Supper we are about to celebrate is a feast of remembrance, of communion, and of hope.

**All:** **We come in remembrance that our Lord Jesus Christ was sent by the Father into the world to take on flesh. By his righteous life, atoning death, and powerful resurrection, he has accomplished for us what we could not accomplish for ourselves.**

Leader: We come to have communion with our Lord Jesus Christ, who has promised to be with us always, even to the end of the world. He is the bread of heaven that nourishes our souls and the true vine in which we abide and bear fruit.

**All: We come in hope, believing that these signs are a pledge and foretaste of the wedding feast of the Lamb that we will enjoy when Christ's kingdom has fully come. We proclaim the Lord's death and profess his resurrection until he comes again. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

*adapted from The Worship Sourcebook*

## Prayer of consecration

## Distribution of the elements

Songs for meditation

### "Let Me Find Thee"

Behold me here, in grief draw near, pleading at thy throne, O King.  
To thee each tear, each trembling fear, Jesus, Son of Man, I bring.  
Let me find thee; let me find thee.  
Let me find thee, Lord of mercy, King of grace.

Look down in love, and from above, with thy Spirit satisfy.  
Thou hast sought me, thou hast bought me, and thy purchase, Lord, am I.  
Let me find thee; let me find thee.  
Let me find thee, here on earth and then on high.

Hear the broken, scarcely spoken, longings of my heart to thee.  
All the crying, all the sighing of thy child accepted be.  
Let me find thee; let me find thee.  
Let me find thee, wounded healer, suff'ring Lord.  
*text by Joachim Neander, 1650-1680; music by Matthew Smith, 2012*

### "My Heart Is Filled with Thankfulness"

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who bore my pain;  
who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again;  
who crushed my curse of sinfulness, and clothed me in his light,  
and wrote his law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who walks beside;  
who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly;  
whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take,  
sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

*continued*

My heart is filled with thankfulness to him who reigns above,  
whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love.  
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King;  
so I will give my life, my all, to love and follow him.

*text and music Keith Getty and Stuart Townend © 2003 Thankyou Music, ARR, UBP, CCLI Lic.# 152036*

\* **Prayer of thanksgiving**

\* **Hymn of praise**                   “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;  
and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:  
he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;  
let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:  
here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

*text by Robert Robinson, 1758; music by Asahel Nettleton, 1825*

\* **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**

\* *Congregation standing as you are able*

---

**Musicians for this week:**

**Ismael Bartolome** – violin

**Charley Crichton** – bass

**Xaris Emmett** – viola

**Mary Boyde Funches** – vocalist

**David Henry** – guitar, vocalist

**Hallie Blair Quatro** – vocalist

**Jeremy Taylor** – piano

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Ann Elizabeth Latimore DeVaney**

June 30, 1929 – March 26, 2022

**HOLY WEEK SERVICES**

**Maundy Thursday Communion Service - April 14**

.....6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall\*

**Good Friday Tenebrae Service - April 15**

.....6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary\*

**Easter Sunrise Service - April 17**

.....7:00 a.m. at Point Park (meet in the sanctuary in case of rain)

**Easter Morning Coffee and Donuts - April 17**

.....7:45 a.m. in the Jane Harris Youth Building

**Easter Sunday Services - April 17**

.....9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the sanctuary\*

.....9:30 and 11:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall\*

*No Sunday School for adults, youth, or children*

*No Evening Prayer or youth activities*

*\*indicates nursery available*

## Luke 7:18-35

<sup>18</sup>The disciples of John reported all these things to him. And John, <sup>19</sup>calling two of his disciples to him, sent them to the Lord, saying, "Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?" <sup>20</sup>And when the men had come to him, they said, "John the Baptist has sent us to you, saying, 'Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?'"

<sup>21</sup>In that hour he healed many people of diseases and plagues and evil spirits, and on many who were blind he bestowed sight. <sup>22</sup>And he answered them, "Go and tell John what you have seen and heard: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, the poor have good news preached to them. <sup>23</sup>And blessed is the one who is not offended by me."

<sup>24</sup>When John's messengers had gone, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: "What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? <sup>25</sup>What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who are dressed in splendid clothing and live in luxury are in kings' courts. <sup>26</sup>What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. <sup>27</sup>This is he of whom it is written, 'Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who will prepare your way before you.' <sup>28</sup>I tell you, among those born of women none is greater than John. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he."

<sup>29</sup>(When all the people heard this, and the tax collectors too, they declared God just, having been baptized with the baptism of John, <sup>30</sup>but the Pharisees and the lawyers rejected the purpose of God for themselves, not having been baptized by him.) <sup>31</sup>"To what then shall I compare the people of this generation, and what are they like? <sup>32</sup>They are like children sitting in the marketplace and calling to one another, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not weep.' <sup>33</sup>For John the Baptist has come eating no bread and drinking no wine, and you say, 'He has a demon.' <sup>34</sup>The Son of Man has come eating and drinking, and you say, 'Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!' <sup>35</sup>Yet wisdom is justified by all her children."



## SERMON NOTES

“Sincere Doubt versus Cynical Denial”

*Luke 7:18-35*

1. Those closest to Jesus experience sincere doubts and questions. (vv. 18-20, 24-28)
2. Jesus anchors his answers and assurance in his work and his Word. (vv. 21-23)
3. The Savior unmaskes cynical denial and spiritual childishness. (vv. 29-35)

**BIG IDEA:** Jesus answers those who sincerely doubt and question and unmaskes those who cynically deny the truth.

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JOIN US AT 6:00 P.M. TONIGHT IN THE CHAPEL** for an evening missions prayer service.

**NURSERY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** to serve on Sunday mornings. Please contact Amy Horne at amy@lmpc.org to get involved.

**JOIN US FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT TAKEOUT** this Wednesday, April 6. Registration is via Realm and pick-up is in the porte-cochere. Please note that the registration deadline is Monday, April 4 at midnight. We will not have a dine-in option for the remainder of the semester.

**VIPS, JOIN US ON AN OVERNIGHT TRIP** to beautiful Callaway Gardens and the Biblical History Center on April 27-28. Your \$225 payment includes transportation, hotel, all meals, and tickets. Registration is via Realm and the link is available at lmpc.org/vip. Space is limited! Register by Friday, April 8.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION FOR EASTER FLOWERS** to be placed in the sanctuary or fellowship hall in honor or in memory of a loved one, please visit lmpc.org/easter-flowers to submit and contribute online, or contact the church office at 423-821-4528. The last day to request is **tomorrow, Monday, April 4.**

**LUNCHEON WITH MALC CLARK:** Malc Clark, supported church planter from Trinity Church in Manchester, will be visiting LMPC the weekend of April 10. Limited seats are available for a lunch on Sunday, April 10 at 12:15 p.m. If you are interested in attending, email Stephanie Young at stephanie@lmpc.org. Guests must RSVP to attend.

**METANOIA PRISON MINISTRIES WILL HOLD THEIR NEXT MENTOR ORIENTATION** for Walker State Prison and The Next Door on Saturday, April 16 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at North Shore Fellowship in Chattanooga. Anyone interested in learning more about how Metanoia helps others love Jesus by visiting and serving prisoners is encouraged to attend. Please email Barry Smith at bsmith@pcanet.org to let him know you will participate.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF OUR HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE** at lmpc.org/holy-week-2022, April 14-17. Make plans to join us as we walk together through Jesus' final days, death, and resurrection in worship.

**JOIN US AFTER SUNRISE FOR COFFEE & DONUTS ON EASTER SUNDAY** at the JHYB from 7:45 to 9:15 a.m.

**MDO OPEN REGISTRATION** will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 21. Registration will be via an online form available at [lmpc.org/mdo](http://lmpc.org/mdo). LMPC members have priority, but all are welcome! Spots are limited.

**THERE WILL BE A CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** at the end of each worship service in the sanctuary and fellowship hall on Sunday, April 24, for the purpose of electing the nominated elders and deacons to the class of 2025. A brochure about the candidates will be available closer to the meeting date.

**LMPC MEN, JOIN US FOR MOUNTAIN MEN'S BREAKFAST** on Saturday, April 30 at 8:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. We will fellowship, share breakfast together, and hear the encouraging story of God's faithfulness in the life of one of the men in our congregation.

**SOUTH SUDAN MINISTRY TRIP:** Please consider joining RMNI (Reconciliation Ministries Network) June 2-14 for their 14th trip to South Sudan. RMNI can put eye professionals and dentists to work, though the trip is not limited to professionals in those fields. South Sudan has had no security problems to date. For more information, please visit [RMNI.org](http://RMNI.org) or contact Jim Sutherland at [jim@RMNI.org](mailto:jim@RMNI.org).

*To find out more about happenings at LMPC, visit [lmpc.org/news](http://lmpc.org/news)*

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, April 3*

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

*For more events this week, visit [lmpc.org/calendar](http://lmpc.org/calendar).*

### STAY CONNECTED WITH REALM AND THE CONNECT APP:

- Communicate with your groups and teams
- Register easily for popular events
- Gain access to our online church directory
- Update your personal information, including photo
- Check your progress on giving and pledging

You can find more details about how to join and use Realm at [lmpc.org/realm](http://lmpc.org/realm). For additional help with Realm, please email Katie Holstege at [katie@lmpc.org](mailto:katie@lmpc.org).

### 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. Please scan the QR code below and fill out an online information form. We will follow up with you about next steps. We are here to serve you!



### 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

Address: 316 North Bragg Avenue  
Lookout Mountain, TN 37350  
Web: [lmpc.org](http://lmpc.org)  
Email: [info@lmpc.org](mailto:info@lmpc.org)  
Phone: 423.821.4528

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.