

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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.

* Congregation standing as you are able

Order of Worship

Welcome and greetings

Brian Salter, lead pastor

* Call to worship

based on 1 Chronicles 16

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, call on his name; make known among the

nations what he has done. Sing to him, sing praise to him; tell of all

his wonderful acts.

All: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD

rejoice. Look to the LORD and his strength; seek his face always.

Remember the wonders he has done.

Leader: Sing to the LORD, all the earth; proclaim his salvation day after day.

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

peoples. For great is the LORD, and most worthy of praise.

All: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy in his

dwelling place. Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love

endures forever.

* Hymn of praise

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! text by Reginald Heber, 1783-1826; music by John B. Dykes, 1861

* Prayer of adoration

Call to confession

taken from Romans 3:23-24 and 1 John 1:8-9

Leader: All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

All: If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

1 John 4:9-10, 15

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God.

* 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

"Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me"

What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer? There is no more for heaven now to give. He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace. To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, for my life is wholly bound to his. O how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine!" Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark, but I am not forsaken, for by my side, the Savior, he will stay. I labor on in weakness and rejoicing, for in my need his power is displayed. To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me; through the deepest valley he will lead. O the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven, the future sure, the price it has been paid. For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and he was raised to overthrow the grave. To this I hold, my sin has been defeated; Jesus now and ever is my plea. O the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free!" Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With ev'ry breath, I long to follow Jesus, for he has said that he will bring me home.

And day by day, I know he will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne.

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus; all the glory evermore to him.

When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat, "Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

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Officer installation

* Scripture reading from Luke 8:26-39 text printed in the bulletin

Melanie Ray (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

"Responding to Jesus' Liberating Power" Brian Salter, lead pastor

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name! He has hushed the law's loud thunder, he has quenched Mount Sinai's flame: he has washed us with his blood (3x), he has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies, called us by his grace, and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes: he has washed us with his blood (3x), he presents our souls to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice join and point to mercy's store; when, through grace, in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more: he who washed us with his blood (3x), has secured our way to God.

Let us praise, and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high; here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky: "Thou hast washed us with thy blood (3x), thou art worthy, Lamb of God!" text by John Newton, 1774; music by Laura Taylor, 2001

* 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

Musicians for this week:

David Henry – guitar, vocals David Kaufmann – bass Maddie Lee – piano Sam Miller – violin Amy Verwoerd – vocals Fred Verwoerd – vocals

OFFICER INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION

The LMPC officer class of 2025 will be installed during the morning worship services today. Any officer serving for the first time as either an elder or a deacon will also be ordained. The make-up date is May 22.

ELDERS	DEACONS
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Ross Ballenger Stephen Barnes Joe Donnovin Eric Ellis Marc Erickson Daryl Heald Gary Lindley Peter Lindquist John Stroud David Wharton

Nathan Allison Charley Crichton Brent Faulk Jay Hildebrand Zach Walley Ben Wharton Randy Wilson Wes Young

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US FOR EVENING WORSHIP WITH COMMUNION at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel.

WE WILL WELCOME ANDY MENDONSA, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF WIDOWS HARVEST MINISTRIES, in Evening Prayer on Sunday, May 22 at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel. One of our Strategic Partner Ministries, Widows Harvest takes responsibility for the ongoing care of widows, carrying out their mission to: "plead the case of, provide assistance to, and promote the spiritual growth and ministries of widows." Their staff and volunteers provide free home maintenance and repair services for low-income widows who do not have family or church support. Come hear about their great work and learn how you can help. We will also have a time of prayer for all Strategic Partner Ministries that evening.

WOMEN OF LMPC, JOIN US FOR SUMMER BIBLE STUDY IN JUNE. On Wednesday mornings in June from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall, we will study "Knowing God and Knowing Ourselves – Select Studies on the Attributes of God." Participate as your schedule allows. See the complete schedule at lmpc.org/womens-bible-studies.

MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US FOR WOMEN'S SUMMER SUPPERS on June 9 and July 12. Suppers will be hosted in individual homes and you are welcome to invite your friends and neighbors. Register on Realm. If you are interested in hosting a supper in your home, email Caroline Scruggs at caroline@lmpc.org.

LIBRARY CLOSURE: The LMPC library will be closed from Monday, May 23 to Sunday, June 12 for a boiler piping repair project in the hallway.

CHOICES ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE is on Saturday, June 4. The Walk for Life is a non-competitive, easy walk at the Riverpark — stroller, wheelchair, and pet-friendly. If you are interested in participating, contact Stephanie Young in the Missions Office for information on registration.

LMPC JOB OPENING: We are accepting applications for a Mother's Day Out Director. See lmpc.org/job-openings-at-lmpc for more details.

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

Luke 8:26-39

²⁶Then they sailed to the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. ²⁷When Jesus had stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he had not lived in a house but among the tombs. ²⁸When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me." ²⁹For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him. He was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the desert.) ³⁰Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," for many demons had entered him. ³¹And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. ³²Now a large herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. ³³Then the demons came out of the man and entered the pigs, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and drowned.

³⁴When the herdsmen saw what had happened, they fled and told it in the city and in the country. ³⁵Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. ³⁶And those who had seen it told them how the demon-possessed man had been healed. ³⁷Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked him to depart from them, for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned.

³⁸The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him, but Jesus sent him away, saying, ³⁹"Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

SERMON NOTES

"Responding to Jesus' Liberating Power" Luke 8:26-39

1.	The demons' submissive response to Jesus' liberating power (vv. 26-33)
2.	The people's fearful response to Jesus' liberating power (vv. 34-37)
3.	The transformed man's eager response to Jesus' liberating power (vv. 38-39)

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TODAY AT I MPC

Sunday, May 15

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

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

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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.

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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.