



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 29, 2022 | **Sanctuary Service**

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Order of Worship

Prelude

“This Is My Father’s World”

arr. Diane Bish

(words for meditation may be found in your hymnal #111)

Welcome and announcements

Aaron Tolson, pastor of youth ministry

* Call to worship

taken from Psalm 97

Leader: The LORD reigns, let the earth be glad; let the distant shores rejoice.
The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

All: For you, O LORD, are the Most High over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. Light is shed upon the righteous and joy on the upright in heart. Rejoice in the LORD, you who are righteous, and praise his holy name.

* Hymn of praise

“Alleluia, Sing to Jesus”

Alleluia, sing to Jesus! his the scepter, his the throne:
alleluia! his the triumph, his the victory alone.
Hark! the songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood.
Jesus, out of ev’ry nation, hath redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia! not as orphans are we left in sorrow now;
alleluia! he is near us; faith believes nor questions how.
Though the cloud from sight received him when the forty days were o’er,
shall our hearts forget his promise, “I am with you evermore”?

Alleluia! King eternal, you the Lord of lords we own;
alleluia! born of Mary, earth your footstool, heaven your throne.
You within the veil have entered, robed in flesh, our great High Priest;
by your Spirit, lift us heavenward in the Eucharistic feast!

text by William C. Dix, 1866; music by Rowland Hugh Pritchard, 1885, HYFRYDOL

* Prayer of adoration

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. 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 2 Corinthians 5 and Zephaniah 3

Leader: God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

All: **Be glad and rejoice with all your heart! For the LORD has taken away our punishment. The LORD our God is with us, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in us, he will quiet us with his love, he will rejoice over us with singing.**

* **Hymn of assurance 310**, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

Rejoice, the Lord is King; your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. *Refrain*

He sits at God’s right hand till all his foes submit,
and bow to his command, and fall beneath his feet. *Refrain*

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,
and take his servants up to their eternal home. *Refrain*
text by Charles Wesley, 1746; music by John Darwall, 1770, DARWALL

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

Offertory

Sonata No. 6, IV. Andante
Felix Mendelssohn

Instrumental meditation

Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.
Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this: He will make
your righteousness shine like the dawn, the justice of your cause like the
noonday sun. Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret
when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.
For evil men will be cut off, but those who hope in the LORD will inherit the
land. (*Psalm 37:3-7, 9*)

* **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.**

* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Scripture reading from Luke 9:1-17**

Aaron Tolson

¹And he called the twelve together and gave them power and authority
over all demons and to cure diseases, ²and he sent them out to proclaim the
kingdom of God and to heal. ³And he said to them, “Take nothing for your

journey, no staff, nor bag, nor bread, nor money; and do not have two tunics.

⁴And whatever house you enter, stay there, and from there depart. ⁵And wherever they do not receive you, when you leave that town shake off the dust from your feet as a testimony against them.” ⁶And they departed and went through the villages, preaching the gospel and healing everywhere.

⁷Now Herod the tetrarch heard about all that was happening, and he was perplexed, because it was said by some that John had been raised from the dead, ⁸by some that Elijah had appeared, and by others that one of the prophets of old had risen. ⁹Herod said, “John I beheaded, but who is this about whom I hear such things?” And he sought to see him.

¹⁰On their return the apostles told him all that they had done. And he took them and withdrew apart to a town called Bethsaida. ¹¹When the crowds learned it, they followed him, and he welcomed them and spoke to them of the kingdom of God and cured those who had need of healing. ¹²Now the day began to wear away, and the twelve came and said to him, “Send the crowd away to go into the surrounding villages and countryside to find lodging and get provisions, for we are here in a desolate place.” ¹³But he said to them, “You give them something to eat.” They said, “We have no more than five loaves and two fish—unless we are to go and buy food for all these people.” ¹⁴For there were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, “Have them sit down in groups of about fifty each.” ¹⁵And they did so, and had them all sit down. ¹⁶And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing over them. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. ¹⁷And they all ate and were satisfied. And what was left over was picked up, twelve baskets of broken pieces.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon

“The King’s Mission”
Brian Salter, lead pastor

The King’s mission involves:

1. the commission: employ God-given power to declare the Kingdom of God.
2. the opposition: endure growing opposition from Kingdom rivals.
3. the provision: entrust the needs of the people to Christ and engage as his instruments.

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response 580

“Lead On, O King Eternal”

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come;
henceforth in fields of conquest thy tents shall be our home:
through days of preparation thy grace has made us strong,
and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin’s fierce war shall cease,
and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace;
for not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums,
but deeds of love and mercy, the heav’nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears;
for gladness breaks like morning where-e’er thy face appears;
thy cross is lifted o’er us; we journey in its light:
the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.

text by Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888; music by Henry Smart, 1836, LANCASHIRE

* Benediction

* Congregational response

“Threefold Amen”

* Postlude

“Lead On, O King Eternal”
arr. Michael Helman

Our organist today is Joshua Knight.

Celebrating the baptism of Norah James Phillips at the 11:00 service in the sanctuary today are her parents, Emily and Paul Phillips.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TONIGHT, HEAR ABOUT A MISSIONS TRIP TO SOUTH SUDAN. During Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel, LMPC member Jim Sutherland and supported missionaries Tim and Annette Gulick will share about their upcoming trip, before being commissioned.

THE SESSION HAS CALLED A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING for Wednesday, June 1 at 7:00 p.m., to receive communication concerning Pastor Joe Novenson and to respond accordingly. This meeting will be held in the fellowship hall, with overflow options available as needed.

VIP OUTINGS ON JUNE 16: Ladies, enjoy a 10:00 a.m. brunch at The Creag at McLemore, followed by a visit to Lookout Lavender Farm. Men, begin at Coker Museum at 3:00 p.m. for a private tour before dinner at Edley's. For either event, please register on Realm or send your payment of \$15 to the LMPC office.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN. Don't miss these summer events!

- *Summer Bible Study*, starts June 1 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall and continues each Wednesday in June; childcare is available.
- The first *Women's Summer Supper* is on Thursday, June 9; register on Realm.
- *Book Club* discussions are on Thursday, June 23 at 6:00 p.m. at local restaurants; choose your book and register on Realm.

LIBRARY/HALLWAY CLOSURE: The LMPC library is closed until Sunday, June 12 for a boiler piping repair project in the hallway. Please return items to the church office.

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.

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