

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

Prelude

"Prelude for Transfiguration"

Matthew Corl

Welcome and announcements

Derek Halvorson, president of Covenant College

* Call to worship

1 Chronicles 29:10b-13

Leader: Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel, from everlasting to

everlasting.

All: Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and

the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over

all.

Leader: Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things. In

your hands are strength and power to exalt and give strength to all.

All: Now, our God, we give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

* **Hymn of praise 103,** vv. 1, 3, 4

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

Holy God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow before you; all on earth your scepter claim, all in heav'n above adore you. Infinite your vast domain, everlasting is your reign.

Lo! the apostolic train join your sacred name to hallow; prophets swell the glad refrain, and the white-robed martyrs follow; and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit, Three we name you; while in essence only One, undivided God we claim you, and adoring bend the knee, while we sing this mystery. text based on Te Deum, ca. 4th century; music from Katholisches Gesangbuch, ca. 1774; GROSSER GOTT, WIR LOBEN DICH

* Affirmation of faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Call to confession Psalm 32:1-6a

Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. Blessed is the man whose sin the LORD does not count against him and in whose spirit is no deceit. When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.

Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD"— and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Therefore let everyone who is godly pray to you while you may be found.

Silent prayers of confession

Choral prayer

"God Be in My Head"

Women's Ensemble

God be in my head and in my understanding; God be in my eyes and in my looking, and in my looking.

God be in my head and in my understanding; God be in my mouth and in my speaking, and in my speaking.

God be in my heart; God be in my heart. God be at my end and my beginning, and all days in between. text adapted from the Book of Hours, 1514; music by Andrea Ramsey, 2010

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

taken from Romans 5 and Hebrews 12

Leader: 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.

All: Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its

shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

* Hymn of assurance 172, vv. 1, 2, 4

"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, 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, 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 has secured our way to God. text by John Newton, 1774; music from Darmstadt Gesangbuch, 1698; ALL SAINTS OLD

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

Offertory

"I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say"

Women's Ensemble

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Come unto me and rest. Lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast." I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad. I found in him a resting place, and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "Behold I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink and live." I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream. My thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.

I heard the voice of Jesus say, "I am this dark world's light. Look unto me; thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright." I looked to Jesus and I found in him my Star, my Sun; and in that light of life I'll walk till trav'ling days are done. text by Horatius Bonar, 1846; music trad. English melody, arr. Connie Boss, 2019

* 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 9:28-36

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²⁸Now about eight days after these sayings he took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. ²⁹And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. ³⁰And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, ³¹who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.

³²Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. ³³And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said.

³⁴As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. ³⁵And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" ³⁶And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"The Glory of Christ" Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

- 1. The remarkable revelation of the Son's glory (vv. 28-31)
 - The compelling basis of the Christian's hope
- 2. The reactionary response of Peter (vv. 32-33)
 - · Good intentions, bad idea
- 3. The decisive declaration of Jesus' identity (vv. 34-36)
 - The Father's command to listen and obey

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response

"Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies"

Christ, whose glory fills the skies, Christ, the true, the only Light, Sun of Righteousness, arise, triumph over shades of night; Dayspring from on high, be near; Daystar, in my heart appear.

Visit, then, this soul of mine; pierce the gloom of sin and grief; fill me, Radiancy divine; scatter all my unbelief; more and more yourself display, shining to the perfect day. *text by Charles Wesley*, 1740; music by Conrad Kocher, 1838; DIX

- * Benediction
- * Congregational response

"Threefold Amen"

* Postlude

Fugue on "Holy God, We Praise Your Name" *Jeffrey Blersch*

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – director Joshua Knight – organ, piano Patricia Nagle – violin Women's Ensemble

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL GUEST IN EVENING PRAYER: Join us at 6:00 p.m. in the chapel tonight for a report from Patti Harris, Director of Child Evangelism Fellowship of Chattanooga. A time of prayer will follow.

VIP OUTINGS ON JUNE 16: Ladies, enjoy a 10:00 a.m. brunch followed by a visit to Lookout Lavender Farm. Men, begin at Coker Museum at 3:00 p.m. for a tour before dinner. 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* continues each Wednesday in June at 9:30 a.m. Join whenever you can.
- *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: Please return items to the church office.

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