

LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 26, 2022 | Fellowship Hall Service | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. | George Long Preaching Series

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

Wil Nettleton, pastor of outreach

* 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 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

"Our Great God"

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown; your boundless love unfailing, in grace and mercy shown. Bright seraphim in endless flight around your glorious throne, they raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone.

Refrain: Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God! Hallelujah! Glory be to our great God!

Lord, we are weak and frail, helpless in the storm. Surround us with your angels, hold us in your arms. Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm. Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee before our sovereign God. *Refrain*

Let every creature in the sea and every flying bird; let every mountain, every field and valley of the earth; let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe sing praises to the living God, who rules them by his Word. *Refrain text and music by Fernando Ortega and Mac Powell* © 2002 *Word Music, LLC, ARR, ICS, UBP, CCLI Lic.*#152036

* Prayer of adoration

Affirmation of faith

Leader: People of God, what do you believe about God?

All: We believe that our God is all-sufficient. He has made and upholds all things by the power of his Word. He is unchangeable and incorruptible. For ever and ever he is God over all, infinitely great and glorious.

Leader: People of God, what do you believe about yourselves?

All: We believe that we are God's children and under his care. His hands have made and fashioned us. He holds our souls eternally, and will not allow us to be lost. His divine power has given us all things necessary for life and godliness. He has redeemed our lives from destruction and crowned us with lovingkindness and tender mercies. His Holy Scriptures govern every part of our lives so that we may adorn the glory of his name.

adapted from Christ-Centered Worship

Call to confession

To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else, Jesus told this parable:

"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Hymn of confession

"To Thee I Come"

To thee I come, a sinner poor, and wait for mercy at thy door; indeed, I've nowhere else to flee; O God, be merciful to me. To thee I come, a sinner weak, and scarce know how to pray or speak; from fear and weakness set me free; O God, be merciful to me!

To thee I come, a sinner vile; upon me, Lord, vouchsafe to smile; mercy through blood I make my plea; O God, be merciful to me. To thee I come, a sinner great, and well thou knowest all my state; yet full forgiveness is with thee; O God, be merciful to me!

To thee I come, a sinner lost, nor have I aught wherein to trust; but where thou art, Lord, I would be; O God, be merciful to me. To glory bring me, Lord, at last, and there, when all my sins are past, with all the saints I'll then agree: O, God was merciful to me! O, God was merciful to me! *text by Samuel Medley*, *1738-1799; music by Clint Wells*, 2006

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

The LORD is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, abounding in love. He does not treat us as our sins deserve or repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us.

taken from Psalm 103

* Hymn of assurance

"And Can It Be That I Should Gain"

And can it be that I should gain an int'rest in the Savior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left his Father's throne above (so free, so infinite his grace!), humbled himself (so great his love!), and bled for all his chosen race. 'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me. Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him, is mine! Alive in him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine, bold I approach th'eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ, my own. Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me? *text by Charles Wesley*, 1738; *music by Thomas Campbell*, 1825

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

Offertory hymn	"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"
	(please turn the page for words and music)

* Scripture reading from Genesis 40:1-23 text printed in the bulletin David Fowler (9:30) Emmie Thompson (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon "Faith for the Long Haul" Gabe Fluhrer, senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Chattanooga

Pastoral prayer

* Hymn of response "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.

continued

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

Musicians for this week:

Xaris Emmett – violin Greta Erickson – vocals David Henry – guitar, vocals Hannah Lutz – viola **Charlotte Reeder** – vocals **John Reeder** – piano **Rebekah Risley** – vocals **Chapman Whitted** – guitar

IN MEMORIAM Elizabeth Caulkins Bookout

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"Christ Our Hope in Life and Death"



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Genesis 40:1-23

¹Some time after this, the cupbearer of the king of Egypt and his baker committed an offense against their lord the king of Egypt. ²And Pharaoh was angry with his two officers, the chief cupbearer and the chief baker, ³and he put them in custody in the house of the captain of the guard, in the prison where Joseph was confined. ⁴The captain of the guard appointed Joseph to be with them, and he attended them. They continued for some time in custody.

⁵And one night they both dreamed—the cupbearer and the baker of the king of Egypt, who were confined in the prison—each his own dream, and each dream with its own interpretation. ⁶When Joseph came to them in the morning, he saw that they were troubled. ⁷So he asked Pharaoh's officers who were with him in custody in his master's house, "Why are your faces downcast today?" ⁸They said to him, "We have had dreams, and there is no one to interpret them." And Joseph said to them, "Do not interpretations belong to God? Please tell them to me."

⁹So the chief cupbearer told his dream to Joseph and said to him, "In my dream there was a vine before me, ¹⁰and on the vine there were three branches. As soon as it budded, its blossoms shot forth, and the clusters ripened into grapes. ¹¹Pharaoh's cup was in my hand, and I took the grapes and pressed them into Pharaoh's cup and placed the cup in Pharaoh's hand." ¹²Then Joseph said to him, "This is its interpretation: the three branches are three days. ¹³In three days Pharaoh will lift up your head and restore you to your office, and you shall place Pharaoh's cup in his hand as formerly, when you were his cupbearer. ¹⁴Only remember me, when it is well with you, and please do me the kindness to mention me to Pharaoh, and so get me out of this house. ¹⁵For I was indeed stolen out of the land of the Hebrews, and here also I have done nothing that they should put me into the pit."

¹⁶When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was favorable, he said to Joseph, "I also had a dream: there were three cake baskets on my head, ¹⁷and in the uppermost basket there were all sorts of baked food for Pharaoh, but the birds were eating it out of the basket on my head." ¹⁸And Joseph answered and said, "This is its interpretation: the three baskets are three days. ¹⁹In three days Pharaoh will lift up your head—from you!—and hang you on a tree. And the birds will eat the flesh from you."

²⁰On the third day, which was Pharaoh's birthday, he made a feast for all his servants and lifted up the head of the chief cupbearer and the head of the chief baker among his servants. ²¹He restored the chief cupbearer to his position, and he placed the cup in Pharaoh's hand. ²²But he hanged the chief baker, as Joseph had interpreted to them. ²³Yet the chief cupbearer did not remember Joseph, but forgot him.

SERMON NOTES

"Faith for the Long Haul" Genesis 40:1-23

1. Faith ministers. (vv. 6-7)

2. Faith trusts God's sovereignty. (v. 8)

3. Faith trusts God's providence. (vv. 14-15)

Further Up, Further In, Resources for Continued Study



GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES GUEST SPEAKER, GABRIEL FLUHRER

Gabriel N.E. Fluhrer (B.A. University of South Carolina, MDiv. Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Ph.D. Westminster Theological Seminary) currently serves as the senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Chattanooga. Gabe grew up in Greenville, South Carolina. God saved him after graduating from USC and he has served as an assistant minister at Second Presbyterian Church in Greenville, SC, First Presbyterian Church in Jackson, MS, and First Presbyterian Church in Columbia, SC. He was also the founding pastor and church planter of Shiloh Presbyterian Church in Raleigh, NC. He is the editor of several books and the author of *Alive: How the*



Resurrection of Christ Changes Everything (Ligonier Ministries, 2020). He is married with three children. In his spare time, he enjoys hunting, golf, and Gamecock football.

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Rev. Joe Novenson	Dr. R.C. Sproul

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOIN US TO SING FAVORITE HYMNS in the chapel for Evening Prayer tonight at 6:00 p.m.

NEW SERMON SERIES BEGINNING JULY 3: As we ask for the renewal of our hearts before the face of God, our study of Deuteronomy will help us understand the nature of the covenant and what covenant renewal might look like.

MDO TEACHERS NEEDED: Mother's Day Out is looking for teachers, aides, and substitutes for the 2022-2023 school year. This is a great way to minister to families, earn some money, and fellowship with other women. If interested, please email Megan DeMoss, MDO Director, at megan@lmpc.org.

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TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, June 26

9:30 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary & fellowship hall
	Elders available to pray for your needs	
11:00 a.m.	Worship service	sanctuary & fellowship hall
4:00 p.m.	Middle school Bible study	
6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer with hymn sing	chapel
7:30 p.m.	High school summer youth group	JHYB

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