



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

July 31, 2022 | Fellowship Hall Service

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Welcome and greetings

Wil Nettleton, pastor of outreach

* **Call to worship**

taken from 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: Praise be to you, O LORD, God of our father Israel, from everlasting to everlasting. We give you thanks, and praise your glorious name.

* **Hymn of praise**

“This Is My Father’s World”

This is my Father’s world, and to my list’ning ears,
all nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.
This is my Father’s world: I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father’s world, the birds their carols raise,
the morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker’s praise.
This is my Father’s world: he shines in all that’s fair;
in the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father’s world, O let me ne’er forget
that though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father’s world: the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heav’n be one.

text by Maltbie D. Babcock, 1901; music by Franklin L. Sheppard, 1915

*** 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.

Call to confession

Isaiah 30:15, 18, 19b

This is what the Sovereign LORD, the Holy One of Israel, says: "In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it."

Yet the LORD longs to be gracious to you; he rises to show you compassion. For the LORD is a God of justice. Blessed are all who wait for him! How gracious he will be when you cry for help! As soon as he hears, he will answer you.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on Colossians 1:13-14, 19-20

God has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in Christ, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

*** Hymn of assurance**

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
the shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land;
a home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noon-tide heat and the burden of the day.

Upon that cross of Jesus my eyes at times can see
the very dying form of One who suffered there for me:
and from my smitten heart with tears two wonders I confess,
the wonders of redeeming love and my unworthiness.

I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place:
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss,
my sinful self, my only shame; my glory all the cross,
my sinful self, my only shame; my glory all the cross.
text by Elizabeth C. Clephane, 1872; music by Christopher Miner, 1997

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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Sacrament of baptism

Kellie and Hank Currin bringing Gray Patterson Currin

*** Scripture reading from Deuteronomy 2:1-23**

Jim Richter

¹"Then we turned and journeyed into the wilderness in the direction of the Red Sea, as the LORD told me. And for many days we traveled around Mount Seir. ²Then the LORD said to me, ³'You have been traveling around this mountain country long enough. Turn northward ⁴and command the people, "You are about to pass through the territory of your brothers, the people of Esau, who live in Seir; and they will be afraid of you. So be very careful. ⁵Do not contend with them, for I will not give you any of their land, no, not so much as for the sole of the foot to tread on, because I have given Mount Seir to Esau as a possession. ⁶You shall purchase food from them with money, that you may eat, and you shall also buy water of them with money, that you may drink. ⁷For the LORD your God has blessed you in all the work of your hands. He knows your going through this great wilderness. These forty years the LORD your God has been with you. You have lacked nothing.'" ⁸So we went on, away from our brothers, the people of Esau, who live in Seir, away from the Arabah road from Elath and Ezion-geber.

"And we turned and went in the direction of the wilderness of Moab. ⁹And the LORD said to me, 'Do not harass Moab or contend with them in battle, for I will not give you any of their land for a possession, because I have given Ar to the people of Lot for a possession.'¹⁰(The Emim formerly lived there, a people great and many, and tall as the Anakim. ¹¹Like the Anakim they are also counted as Rephaim, but the Moabites call them Emim. ¹²The Horites also lived in Seir formerly, but the people of Esau dispossessed them and destroyed them from before them and settled in their place, as Israel did to the land of their possession, which the LORD gave to them.) ¹³'Now rise up and go over the brook Zered.' So we went over the brook Zered. ¹⁴And the time from our leaving Kadesh-barnea until we crossed the brook Zered was thirty-eight years, until the entire generation, that is, the men of war, had perished from

the camp, as the LORD had sworn to them. ¹⁵For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them from the camp, until they had perished.

¹⁶“So as soon as all the men of war had perished and were dead from among the people, ¹⁷the LORD said to me, ¹⁸“Today you are to cross the border of Moab at Ar. ¹⁹And when you approach the territory of the people of Ammon, do not harass them or contend with them, for I will not give you any of the land of the people of Ammon as a possession, because I have given it to the sons of Lot for a possession.’ ²⁰(It is also counted as a land of Rephaim. Rephaim formerly lived there—but the Ammonites call them Zamzummim— ²¹a people great and many, and tall as the Anakim; but the LORD destroyed them before the Ammonites, and they dispossessed them and settled in their place, ²²as he did for the people of Esau, who live in Seir, when he destroyed the Horites before them and they dispossessed them and settled in their place even to this day. ²³As for the Avvim, who lived in villages as far as Gaza, the Caphtorim, who came from Caphtor, destroyed them and settled in their place.)”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon

“Trusting God No Matter What”

Brian Salter, lead pastor

1. God’s commands are to be heeded, even when we don’t understand. (vv. 1-4)
2. God’s generous provision is perfect, despite how it may appear to us. (v. 7)
3. God’s gracious promises are sure, no matter how much time passes. (vv. 5, 9, 19)

Pastoral prayer

*** Hymn of response**

“Be Thou My Vision”

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
naught be all else to me, save that thou art—
thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true son;
thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
thou mine inheritance, now and always:
thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Ancient Irish poem, ca. 8th cent; Traditional Irish melody

* **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:

Eleanor Caines – vocals

Calvin Garriott – piano

David Henry – guitar, vocals

Hannah Lutz – viola

Hannah Perry – flute

Hope Plating – vocals

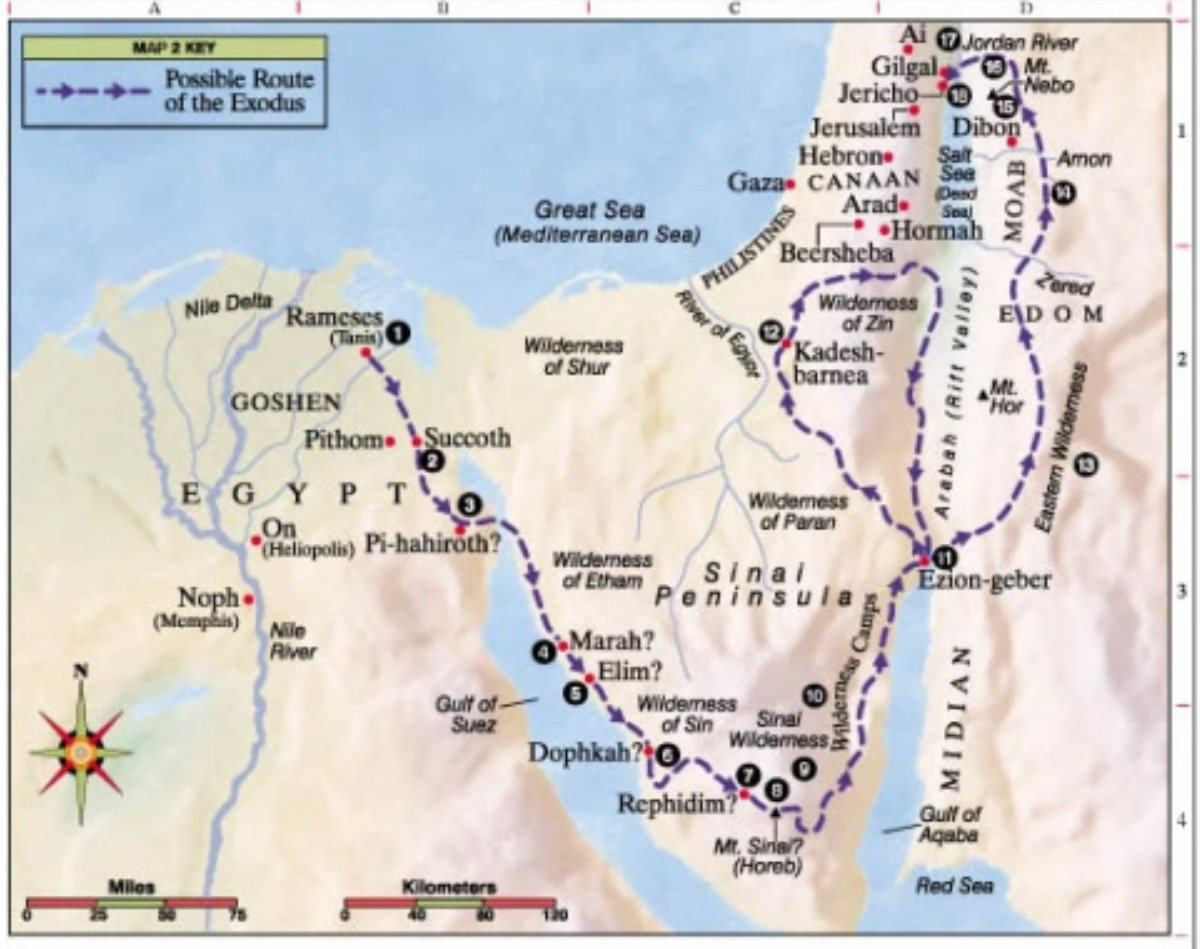
Fred Verwoerd – vocals

Celebrating the baptism of Gray Patterson Currin at the 9:30 service in the fellowship hall today are his parents, Kellie and Hank Currin, his grandparents, Lorrie and David Kent and Tina and Sam Currin, and his great-grandmother, Betsy Caldwell.

Celebrating the baptism of Moses Butler Thomas at the 11:00 service in the fellowship hall today are his parents, Hannah and Bo Thomas, his grandparents, Laurie and John King, and his great-grandmother, Ann Butler.

ISRAEL'S EXODUS FROM EGYPT AND ENTRY INTO CANAAN

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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

SPECIAL REPORT IN EVENING SERVICE: Join us tonight at 6:00 p.m. for a combined report by supported missionaries David and Eowyn Stoddard (MTW), and Paul and Gerhard (Bible Mission Global). The report will be held in the fellowship hall and nursery will be provided. These guests are uniquely positioned to update our congregation on the conflict in Ukraine as well as their current ministry efforts.

CRITICAL NEEDS IN CHILDREN'S MINISTRY: Join a team of others who love Jesus, love children, and are using their gifts to serve at LMPC. We need Sunday School teachers and helpers in both nursery and elementary classrooms, and Wednesday night helpers in elementary classrooms. Please email Greta Erickson at greta@lmpc.org for elementary and Amy Horne at amy@lmpc.org for nursery.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO PACK CRATES FOR UKRAINE: Help inventory and pack the donated items for Crates for Ukraine on Wednesday, August 3, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Volunteers are invited to stay for a pizza dinner at 5:00 p.m. Individuals and families are welcome. To sign up to help, please email missions coordinator Stephanie Young at stephanie@lmpc.org. Donations for Crates for Ukraine will be accepted through this evening.

SERVE WITH VISION OF MERCY: Join Vision of Mercy as they host their "No Need to Struggle" community feeding at Miller Park on Saturday, August 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Assist with the distribution of bags and the serving of hot meals. Volunteers are also needed Friday, August 12 to pack food bags, and Saturday morning, August 13 to assist with set-up. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve those experiencing homelessness, and many volunteers are needed. Individuals, families, and small groups are welcome. For more information, please email missions coordinator Stephanie Young at stephanie@lmpc.org.

GRIEFSHARE SUPPORT GROUP: GriefShare, a support group for those who have lost a loved one, will meet on Fridays at 10:00 a.m. beginning on August 12. Please register on Realm. We also have several other care groups: Divorce Care, Care for the Caregiver, and Cancer Support. For more information, visit lmpc.org and click on "Care and Support."

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

MISSIONARY GUESTS TONIGHT

David and Eowyn Stoddard, serving with Mission to the World

David, son of a PCA church-planter, was raised in Louisiana and Tennessee. At King College in Tennessee, he majored in political science and modern foreign languages, earned a Master of Divinity from Westminster Theological Seminary in California, and a Master of Theology from WTS in Philadelphia.

Eowyn is the daughter of MTW missionaries who served in France. She majored in German language and literature at Wellesley College and obtained a master's degree in Biblical Studies from Westminster Theological Seminary, where she also met David. They have five children: Jesse, Liam, Alethea, Emma, and Ethan.

David serves as the International Director for Europe, overseeing MTW's vision, values, and personnel in Europe. Eowyn assists David in his role and supports church planting through evangelism, teaching, and outreach to refugees. David and Eowyn joined MTW's church planting movement in eastern Berlin in 2001. Over the past 20 years, Team Berlin has been involved in planting five churches and a campus of Martin Bucer Seminary.

Paul, serving with Bible Mission Global

Paul was born in Almaty, Kazakhstan, to a large Christian family of German background. Paul's father was a deacon of the Evangelical Christian Baptist Church. Although the communistic government prohibited teaching children about God, he heard Bible stories and learned how to pray early in his childhood.

From 1993 to 1997, Paul served as the Director of the Bible Mission Regional Ministry Center in Almaty, Kazakhstan. He then moved to Germany and continued serving at the Bible Mission headquarters in Germany. In 2007, Paul began serving as the Field Director of Bible Mission Global.

Paul will be joined by **Gerhard**, the Director of Communications for Bible Mission Global.

Gerhard was born in Kazakhstan in 1989, into a family of German background and nationality. Having grown up in Germany with a touch of Asian culture contributed to the formation of a multicultural mindset.

After one year of ministry in Kazakhstan and three years of Bible studies in Switzerland, Gerhard was invited to join Bible Mission Germany in 2014.

As the Director of Communications, Gerhard has the task of sharing with supporters and those who pray what God is doing on the mission field and inviting churches and individuals to become part of God's work by participating in the ministry – all for God's glory.



