



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 4, 2022 | **Sanctuary Service**

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Order of Worship

Prelude

*“O God, My Faithful God”
Sigfrid Karg-Elert*

O God, my faithful God, true fountain everflowing,
without whom nothing is, all perfect gifts bestowing:
give me a healthy frame, and may I have within
a conscience free from blame, a soul unstained by sin.

Welcome and announcements

Steve Kaufmann, ruling elder

* Call to worship

based on Psalm 145

Leader: We will exalt our God the King; we will praise his name for ever and ever.

All: The LORD is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love. The LORD is good to all; he has compassion on all he has made.

Leader: His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion endures through all generations. The LORD upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down.

All: Our mouths will speak in praise of the LORD. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

* Hymn of praise 4, vv. 1, 2, 4

“All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above”

All praise to God, who reigns above,
the God of all creation,
the God of wonders, pow’r, and love,
the God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul he fills,
the God who every sorrow stills.
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made
his gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning dawn or evening shade
his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;
within the kingdom of his might,
lo, all is just and all is right.
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not his flock,
his chosen generation;
he is their refuge and their rock,
their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand
he leads his own, his chosen band.
To God all praise and glory!

text by Johann J. Schütz, 1675; music from Bohemian Brethren's Gesangbuch, 1566, MIT FREUDEN ZART

* 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.

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

Offertory

"Prayer to Jehovah"

Chancel Choir

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'rful hand;
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me 'til I want no more;
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me, feed me 'til I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream o'er flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through;
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my strength and shield;
strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
Death of death and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee;
songs of praises, songs of praises, I will ever give to thee.

text by William Williams, translated by Peter Williams; music by Molly Ijames, 2017

* **Gloria Patri 735**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

* **Prayer of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Scripture reading from Deuteronomy 4:32-40**

Steve Kaufmann

³²“For ask now of the days that are past, which were before you, since the day that God created man on the earth, and ask from one end of heaven to the other, whether such a great thing as this has ever happened or was ever heard of. ³³Did any people ever hear the voice of a god speaking out of the midst of the fire, as you have heard, and still live? ³⁴Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by trials, by signs, by wonders, and by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, and by great deeds of terror, all of which the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?”

³⁵“To you it was shown, that you might know that the LORD is God; there is no other besides him. ³⁶Out of heaven he let you hear his voice, that he might discipline you. And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire. ³⁷And because he loved your fathers and chose their offspring after them and brought you out of Egypt with his own presence, by his great power, ³⁸driving out before you nations greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give you their land for an inheritance, as it is this day, ³⁹know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that the LORD is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other.

⁴⁰“Therefore you shall keep his statutes and his commandments, which I command you today, that it may go well with you and with your children after you, and that you may prolong your days in the land that the LORD your God is giving you for all time.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon “The Sermon’s Conclusion—The Lord Is God; There Is No Other”
 Aaron Tolson, pastor of youth ministry

1. A unique experience of God’s revealing and redeeming power (vv. 32-34)
2. A unique relationship with the one true God (vv. 35-39)
3. A unique response to God’s law (v. 40)

Pastoral prayer

This morning we celebrate the Lord’s Supper. This celebration is a sacred time during which God’s people enjoy communion with him and unity with each other. We believe that the Lord’s Supper is meant for the body of Christ as a gathered, corporate reality and not merely for personal or individual edification. For this reason, the livestream is ending at the conclusion of the sermon and will not include the celebration of the sacrament.

Musicians for this week:

David Fray – cello
Joy Gibbons – director

Joshua Knight – organ, piano
Patricia Nagle – violin

ALL REGULAR WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES WILL RESUME SEPTEMBER 7.

- Adult elective: “The Gospel Matters” (4:30 p.m.)
- Children’s Choirs (4:45 p.m.)
- Wednesday Fellowship Dinner* (5:45 p.m.)
- Nursery available (6:00 to 7:00 p.m.)
- Evening Prayer (6:00 p.m.)
- Adult elective: “Telling a Better Story” (6:10 p.m.)
- Chancel Choir (6:15 p.m.)
- Kids Clubs (6:15 p.m.)
- Middle School Youth Group (6:30 p.m.)

Find more information at lmpc.org/wednesday.

*Prices for the Wednesday Fellowship Dinner are now \$6 for teens and adults, \$4 for 6-12-year-olds, and free for 5-year-olds and under. Family max is \$20.

The rosebud in the fellowship hall today is for the birth of Emma Grace Viveros, born to Sam and Woody Viveros on August 29.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY NIGHT ADULT ELECTIVES:

- September 7 - November 16, meet in the Conference Room from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. for "The Gospel Matters," taught by Addison Soltau.
- September 7 - October 5, meet in the Upper Room from 6:10 to 7:00 p.m. for "Telling a Better Story," taught by Wil Nettleton and Chad Middlebrooks.

DON'T FORGET TO "BUILD-A-BAG" and bring your filled bag of groceries to the Small Conference Room by Sunday, September 11. We still have bags to fill; help us meet our goal of 325 bags for the Chattanooga Area Salvation Army.

JESUS AND SEXUALITY: The Gospel speaks to all areas of our lives, including our sexuality. Please make plans to join us in the sanctuary at 6:15 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14 to hear pastor, author, and apologist Sam Allberry speak on this topic.

THE SEPTEMBER VIP EVENT will be held on Monday, September 19. Join us for trivia and an ice cream social beginning at 6:30 p.m. Form a team of 5-6 people, or join a team when you arrive. Earn two additional points for your team by bringing an umbrella to donate to Shepherd's Arms Rescue Mission. Cost is \$5; please register by September 16 via Realm. If you need help, please call the church office.

THE 2022 WOMEN'S RETREAT will be held November 4-6 at Lake Guntersville State Park. These retreats happen every three years in the life of our church and are a great time of fellowship, growth, and rest. Susan Tyner will speak on the topic of contentment. You will not want to miss this! Registration is now open in Realm, and the deadline is October 24. Cost is \$230.

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