



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 25, 2022 | Fellowship Hall Service

* *Congregation standing as you are able*

Order of Worship

Welcome and greetings

Wil Nettleton, pastor of mission & worship

* **Call to worship**

Psalm 95:1-7

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.

All: For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

Leader: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker.

All: For he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

* **Hymn of praise**

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress;
praise him, still the same forever, slow to chide and swift to bless.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glorious in his faithfulness.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, widely as his mercy goes.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, widely as his mercy goes.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.
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text by Henry Lyte, 1834; music by Christopher Miner, 1997

* Prayer of adoration

Call to confession

1 Peter 1:23-2:3

You have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. For, "All men are like grass, and all their glory is like the flowers of the field; the grass withers and the flowers fall, but the word of the Lord stands forever." And this is the word that was preached to you. Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on 1 Peter 2

We are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that we may declare the praises of him who called us out of darkness into his wonderful light. Once we were not a people, but now we are the people of God; once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy.

Jesus Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, so that we might die to sins and live for righteousness; by his wounds we have been healed. For we were like sheep going astray, but now we have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls.

* Hymn of assurance "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"

My faith has found a resting place, from guilt my soul is freed;
I trust the everliving One, his wounds for me shall plead.

Refrain: I need no other argument, I need no other plea,
 it is enough that Jesus died, and that he died for me.

My heart is leaning on the Word, the living Word of God:
salvation by my Savior's name, salvation through his blood. *Refrain*

My great Physician heals the sick, the lost he came to save;
for me his precious blood he shed, for me his life he gave. *Refrain*
text by Lidie Edmunds, 1891; music by André Grétry, 1741-1831

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

Offertory hymn

“How Firm a Foundation”

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

“Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I’ll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

“When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;
the flames shall not hurt you; I only design
your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

“The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

Rippon’s Selection of Hymns, 1787; traditional American melody

Sacrament of baptism

Libby and Jim Daughdrill V bringing Walter Tomlin Hall Daughdrill

* Scripture reading from Luke 10:17-24

Susie Courtney

¹⁷The seventy-two returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in your name!” ¹⁸And he said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. ¹⁹Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall hurt you. ²⁰Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

²¹In that same hour he rejoiced in the Holy Spirit and said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²²All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, or who the Father is except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.”

²³Then turning to the disciples he said privately, “Blessed are the eyes that see what you see! ²⁴For I tell you that many prophets and kings desired to see what you see, and did not see it, and to hear what you hear, and did not hear it.”

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon

“The Joy of Jesus and His Disciples”

Brian Salter, lead pastor

As Jesus’ disciples, participating in his Kingdom mission, our joy is to be rooted in:

1. God’s gracious salvation. (vv. 17-20)
2. God’s sovereign revelation. (vv. 21-22)
3. God’s blessed revelation. (vv. 23-24)

Pastoral prayer

*** Hymn of response**

“I Will Glory in My Redeemer”

I will glory in my Redeemer, whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails, and hung him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer, who crushed the power of sin and death,
my only Savior before the holy Judge: the Lamb who is my righteousness;
the Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer; my life he bought, my love he owns.
I have no longings for another; I’m satisfied in him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer, his faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, my feet are firm, held by his grace;
my feet are firm, held by his grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer, who carries me on eagle’s wings.
He crowns my life with loving-kindness; his triumph song I’ll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer, who waits for me at gates of gold;
and when he calls me it will be paradise, his face forever to behold;
his face forever to behold.

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*** 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:

Charley Crichton – bass

Xaris Emmett – violin

David Henry – guitar, vocals

Maddie Lee – piano

Mike McCracken – clarinet

Olivia Ranier – vocals

Anna Stroud – vocals

Celebrating the baptism of Walter Tomlin Hall Daughdrill at the 9:30 service in the fellowship hall today are his parents, Libby and Jim Daughdrill V, and his grandparents, Betsy and Tim Adgent and Vicki and Hal Daughdrill.

Celebrating the baptism of Alice Elizabeth Owen at the 11:00 service in the fellowship hall today are her parents, Jan and Spencer Owen, her grandparents, Jan and Tory Johnston and Beth and J.R. Owen, and her great-grandparents, Virginia Johnston and Ginger and John Johnson.

SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER

Sunday Evening Prayer is a time to engage in an extended period of intentional Kingdom prayer, often using a prayer guide to unify the hearts and minds of all in attendance. Indeed, without concerted prayer, there will be no corporate renewal. Pastor Brian Salter invites everyone to consider gathering for this prayer time most Sunday evenings in the chapel at 6:00 p.m. (Third Sundays will continue to be a service of Communion, and there may occasionally be special programs or reports.) Come approach the throne of God together in confidence because of our sure and certain hope in Jesus Christ.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COLLEGE LUNCHEON: All college students are invited to join us for lunch today at 12:15 p.m. at the Jane Harris Youth Building.

31 DAYS OF PRAYER FOR RENEW will begin again in the month of October. Join together with the LMPC body in a focused time of daily prayer as we petition God for renewal. In March, we published a 31-Day prayer guide; please locate that in preparation for October. Or, find a digital version on the website at lmpc.org/renew. Plan to use this prayer guide in your personal and family prayer times, in your Bible studies and small groups, and corporately as we worship together each week. Extra print copies are available today in the fellowship hall lobby and the Narthex.



VISITING A NEW CHURCH CAN BE INTIMIDATING. We are looking for smiling faces to volunteer, ready to extend a warm welcome and assist with questions and directions. Partner with the diaconate's usher team to make a positive first impression for the sake of Christ. Help is needed for the times of 9:15-9:35 a.m. and 10:45-11:05 a.m. Contact Julie Dean at julie@lmpc.org if you are interested in serving in this way.

THE MARRIAGE COURSE SERIES will run on Tuesdays from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. for seven weeks beginning on October 4. Whether you are newlyweds or have been married many years, the Marriage Course will benefit you by helping you strengthen your communication and grow your relationship. Cost is \$45 per couple. Register by emailing marriagecourse@lmpc.org before October 2.

SAVE THE DATE for Serve the City on Saturday, October 29. We will serve together as a congregation alongside our Strategic Partner Ministries from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at various locations before gathering back at the church for lunch. Registration begins Sunday, October 2; more information to follow. Opportunities for families and small groups are available.

SAVE THE DATE for the Tennessee Valley Presbytery Reformation Hymn Festival at First Presbyterian Church on Sunday, October 30 at 6:00 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS; REGISTER ON REALM CONNECT:

- Women's Book Clubs, October 4
- Women's Retreat, November 4-6

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