

# LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

**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

Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

\* Call to worship

taken from Jeremiah 32 and Revelation 4

Leader: Sovereign LORD, you have made the heavens and the earth by your

great power and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you.

All: You show love to thousands—O great and powerful God, whose name is the LORD Almighty, great are your purposes and mighty

are your deeds.

Leader: You performed miraculous signs and wonders in Egypt and have

continued them to this day, both in Israel and among all mankind,

and have gained the renown that is still yours.

All: Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is

to come!

\* Hymn of praise

"Holy, Holy, Holy!"

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! text by Reginald Heber, 1783-1826; music by John B. Dykes, 1861

#### \* Prayer of adoration

#### Responsive prayer for the church

Leader: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort.

All: As we give thanks for all the saints, we are mindful of those members of the church whose lives and ministries are oppressed. We ask of you, great Father, to bless today our brothers and sisters of the persecuted church.

Leader: Thank you for the humbling example of their bold witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. May they be strengthened in their faith and assured of your active presence in their lives and our world.

All: Help us all to see and celebrate the great unity in Christ to which we are called, and may opportunities abound to share with others your great love found at the cross and in the empty tomb. May the church here and around the world be refreshed through your Word and strengthened through these prayers as we all grow in the knowledge of Christ. Amen.

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

Offertory hymn "Come Away from Rush and Hurry"

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace; from our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ and find release. Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace; come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face.

In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our souls. From the waters of his mercy we drink deeply, are made whole. At the table of his presence all his saints are richly fed. With the oil of his anointing into service we are led.

Come, then, children, with your burdens, life's confusions, fears, and pain. Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead his Kingdom's reign. Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them; he alone will satisfy. All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die. text by Marva J. Dawn, 1999; music by Caleb Fincher and Kara Young, 2019

### \* Scripture reading from Luke 10:38-42

text printed in the bulletin

Susie Courtney (9:30) Steve Reynolds (11:00)

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

#### Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"Distracted from Devotion" Brian Salter, lead pastor

#### Pastoral prayer

#### Invitation to the Lord's Table

Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who have previously been admitted to the Lord's Table, by the elders of this or any Gospel-proclaiming church, to receive the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Come with joy as you actively trust in Christ and willingly forsake sin, having sought reconciliation in all relationships.

#### Hymn of confession

"Jesus Paid It All"

I hear the Savior say, "Your strength indeed is small, child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me your all in all."

Refrain: Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe;

sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone, can change the leper's spots, and melt the heart of stone. *Refrain* 

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," my lips shall still repeat. *Refrain text by Elvina M. Hall, 1865; music by DH, 2012* 

#### Silent prayers of confession

#### Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on Ephesians 2:4-9

Because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions. For it is by grace we have been saved, through faith—and this not from ourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.

#### Words of institution

#### Communion affirmation

Leader: O the unspeakable mysteries and treasures of mercy that are

presented to us in the sacrament of the Lord's Supper! Here we have communion with God our Father who has blessed us in the heavenly

realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

All: Here we have communion with our blessed Redeemer, as crucified and glorified, and offered to us, as our quickening, preserving,

strengthening Head.

Leader: Here we have communion with the Holy Spirit, applying to

our souls the benefits of redemption, drawing us to the Son, communicating light, life, and strength from him unto us, and

increasing his graces in us.

All: Here we have communion with the body of Christ, his sanctified

people. When we celebrate the Lord's Supper, we remember the finished work of Christ, receive nourishment, and anticipate the glory to come. Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come

again.

adapted from The Practical Works of Richard Baxter, vol. 10 and The New City

Catechism Devotional: God's Truth for Our Hearts and Minds

#### Prayer of consecration

#### Distribution of the elements

Songs for meditation

"I Boast No More"

No more, my God, I boast no more of all the duties I have done.

I quit the hopes I held before, to trust the merits of thy Son.

No more, my God, I boast no more.

Now, for the loss, I bear his name; what was my gain I count my loss. My former pride I call my shame and nail my glory to his cross. No more, my God, I boast no more.

Yes, and I must and will esteem all things but loss for Jesus' sake. O may my soul be found in him and of his righteousness partake! No more, my God, I boast no more.

The best obedience of my hands dares not appear before thy throne; but faith can answer thy demands by pleading what my Lord has done. No more, my God, I boast no more.

text by Isaac Watts (1674-1748), music by Sandra McCracken, 2005

"Ancient of Days"

Though the nations rage, kingdoms rise and fall, there is still one King reigning over all. So I will not fear, for this truth remains: that my God is the Ancient of Days.

*Refrain*: None above him, none before him, all of time in his hands;

for his throne, it shall remain and ever stand.

All the power, all the glory, I will trust in his name;

for my God is the Ancient of Days.

Though the dread of night overwhelms my soul, he is here with me; I am not alone. O his love is sure, and he knows my name, for my God is the Ancient of Days. *Refrain* 

Though I may not see what the future brings, I will watch and wait for the Savior King.
Then my joy complete, standing face to face, in the presence of the Ancient of Days. *Refrain* text and music by J. Reeves, J. Robinson, M. Farren, and R. Thompson, © 2018 CityAlight Music, LLC, ARR, UBP, CCLI Lic. #152036

### \* Prayer of thanksgiving

#### \* Hymn of praise

"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:

**Ismael Bartolome** – violin **Joel Christie** – vocals

Calvin Garriott - piano

David Henry – guitar, vocals Hannah Lutz – viola Hannah Perry – vocals

#### Luke 10:38-42

<sup>38</sup>Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a village. And a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. <sup>39</sup>And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching.

<sup>40</sup>But Martha was distracted with much serving. And she went up to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Tell her then to help me."

<sup>41</sup>But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, <sup>42</sup>but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her."

#### **SERMON NOTES**

"Distracted from Devotion" Luke 10:38-42

1.	The context: welcoming Jesus and Jesus' welcome (vv. 38-39)	
2.	<b>The complaint:</b> revealing the presence of activity for Jesus without attention to Jesus (v. 40)	
3.	The call: inviting us away from distraction for Jesus to devotion to Jesus (vv. 41-42)	

#### WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TONIGHT FOR EVENING PRAYER**, we will gather in the sanctuary for a service of healing prayer for Ellen Thompson, who has recently been given a very difficult cancer diagnosis. Please come to worship in song, receive God's Word, and participate in anointing prayer for healing.

**NEW RESOURCES FOR INFORMATION AND PRAYER**: Have you ever wondered which elders and deacons are currently in active service? Would you like to connect the faces of the men in leadership with their wives? Pick up a new directory from the brochure racks in the fellowship hall lobby or Narthex containing information on those who lead at LMPC (also available online at lmpc.org/officers). You will also find a Church Profile brochure, containing LMPC's vision and goals. Both these resources are fantastic guides for prayer for our leadership and our church.

**GATHER YOUR LEAF BLOWERS, RAKES, GLOVES, SHEARS, AND WHEELBARROWS** to come help clean up the church! The deacons invite everyone to the Annual Fall Church Work Day on Saturday, November 12 beginning at 8:30 a.m. and continuing until noon. Tasks will include leaf collection, weeding, and vine removal. We will have donuts and drinks available for volunteers. The whole church family is encouraged to come and participate.

**LOVE LOOKOUT PRESENTS** the Love Lookout Mountain Opry on Saturday, November 12 at 5:00 p.m. at the Fairyland Mountain Hall. Bring your lawn chairs or blankets and enjoy the food trucks, fire pits, and bluegrass music!

**ADULTS AGES 23-40 ARE INVITED TO A SOCIAL** at Canopy, Lookout Mountain, for an evening of food and fellowship on Tuesday, November 15 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Appetizers will be provided and drinks will be available for purchase. Register on Realm Connect.

INTERESTED IN SERVING WITH METANOIA PRISON MINISTRIES? Attend a new mentor orientation on Saturday, November 19 from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at North Shore Fellowship, 109 Frazier Ave., Chattanooga. This is a perfect opportunity to get plugged into one of LMPC's Strategic Partner Ministries. Contact Barry Smith at bsmith@pcanet.org for more details.

**LMPC HAS SEVERAL JOB OPENINGS CURRENTLY LISTED**: director of children's ministries, administrative assistant, part-time graphic designer, hostess/kitchen assistant (seasonal), and paid nursery worker. Find out more at lmpc.org/job-openings-at-lmpc.

#### **ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY**

Centuries ago, believers developed what is now known as the "Calendar of the Church Year." It was designed to assist both unlearned and illiterate believers in mastering the truths of the Kingdom of God by causing them to "walk through" the events of redemptive history. All Saints' Day, November 1, was chosen to call all believers to remember the faithful saints who had already finished their race and gone home to heaven. On All Saints' Sunday we join the historic practice and recall the lives of our members who have gone on to glory in the past year.

Dianne Adams — April 6, 2022 Mattie Barron — December 18, 2021 Betsy Bookout — June, 16 2022 Greg Brown — June 25, 2022 Mary Chisholm — November 17, 2021 Dorothy Dameron — February 18, 2022 Ann Elizabeth DeVaney — March 26, 2022 Bill Gauntt — February 24, 2022 Bob Monroe — September 3, 2022 Dick O'Ferrall — May 5, 2022 Anne Platt — January 19, 2022 Gregg Terry — January 20, 2022

#### SPECIAL PODCAST EPISODE FEATURING RENEW

Watch for a new episode from LMPC's podcast, Pillar & Ground, to be released on Monday, November 7 featuring a discussion between John Stroud, co-chair of the RENEW campaign, and Pastor Brian Salter. Brian and John share the history and vision of this campaign for spiritual, relational, material, and technological renewal. They also give an update on where we are one year into this plan and how God is directing and blessing.

#### TODAY AT I MPC

#### Sunday, November 6

9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion	sanctuary & fellowship hall
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10:30 a.m.	Elders available to pray for your needs	Brian Salter's office
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion	sanctuary & fellowship hall
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults, youth, & children	various locations
4:00 p.m.	Middle school small groups	various locations
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer	sanctuary
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	

For more events this week, visit lmpc.org/calendar.

#### LMPC PRAYER LIST:

If you would like to be added to the prayer list, please call the church office (423-821-4528) or email margaret@lmpc.org. Requests in the "Current Needs" sections will remain on the list for up to two weeks. If your need persists beyond that time, please call with an update or to request an extension. The prayer list is sent out by email each Friday to those who request to be on the PrayLMPC distribution list. Print copies of the prayer list are available each Sunday morning in the Narthex and fellowship hall lobby.

## WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE TODAY!

We know it can be hard to connect with a new church. We want to help in any way we can. Please scan the QR code below and fill out an online information form. We will follow up with you about next steps. We are here to serve you!



#### **OUR MISSION**

Glorifying God by growing in grace and giving our lives away on the mountain, in the city, and around the world.

#### **CONTACT US**

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Worship services with Communion are held on the first Sunday of every month in all morning services and in lieu of evening prayer on the third Sunday of every month.