



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 5, 2023 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

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 mission & worship

* Call to worship

based on Psalm 27 and Nehemiah 9

Leader: The LORD is my light and my salvation—whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?

All: One thing I ask of the LORD, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to seek him in his temple.

Leader: Stand up and praise the LORD our God, who is from everlasting to everlasting. Blessed be his glorious name, and may it be exalted above all blessing and praise. He alone is the LORD.

All: He made the heavens and all the starry host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. He gives life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship him.

* Hymn of praise

“All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;
bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all;
to him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall;
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;
we'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.
text by Edward Perronet, 1779, and John Rippon, 1787; music by Oliver Holden, 1793

* Prayer of adoration

Affirmation of the law: the eighth commandment

Leader: What does God forbid in the eighth commandment?

All: God forbids not only outright theft and robbery, but also such wicked schemes and devices as false weights and measures, deceptive merchandising, counterfeit money, and usury; we must not defraud our neighbor in any way, whether by force or by show of right. In addition, God forbids all greed and all abuse or squandering of his gifts.

Leader: What does God require of you in this commandment?

All: I must promote my neighbor's good wherever I can and may, deal with him as I would like others to deal with me, and work faithfully so that I may be able to give to those in need.
The Heidelberg Catechism, questions 110 and 111

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

Offertory hymn "Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts"

Jesus, thou joy of loving hearts, thou fount of life, thou light of men,
from the best bliss that earth imparts we turn unfilled to thee again.

Thy truth unchanged hath ever stood; thou savest those that on thee call;
to them that seek thee thou art good, to them that find thee all in all.

Our restless spirits yearn for thee, where'er our changeful lot is cast;
glad when thy gracious smile we see, blessed when our faith can hold thee fast.

O Jesus, ever with us stay, make all our moments calm and bright;
chase the dark night of sin away, shed o'er the world thy holy light.
text by Bernard of Clairvaux, ca. 1150; Red Mountain Music, 2003

* **Scripture reading from Deuteronomy 5:1, 6-8, 11-12, 16-19**
text printed in the bulletin

James Stevens (9:30)
Marianne Stern (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

"Stealing vs. Stewarding"
Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

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

Prayer of confession

Leader: Glorious God, you alone are worthy of all our worship, yet we seek to rob you of your glory. We delude ourselves into thinking that we are owners rather than stewards.

All: **Lord, forgive us for striving to steal the glory that is yours alone, and help us to clearly see the depth of our greed. Forgive us for the subtle ways we cheat our neighbors when it suits us, or ignore opportunities to be generous. Forgive us for our fearful self-protection and insatiable desire for more.**

Leader: We hoard the resources that you have given us for our own pleasures and preferences and mistakenly seek security in gifts rather than in the Giver.

All: Guard our hearts from prizing and protecting our own comfort and security above all else, and grant us grace to grow in generosity and contentment.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

taken from 1 Peter 1

You know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

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

“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

“A Hymn for All the World”

There is no place in all the world you do not call your own,
creator of all peoples, every nation, every tongue.
From every corner of the earth, boundless is your reign.
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, hear us sing your praise.

We, your people, call to you, asking for your help.
O God, be merciful to those whose pain we've never felt.
Give them rest from worldly sorrow; bless them, Lord, with food to eat.
We ask you, Gentle Shepherd, call the ones who are your sheep.

All-seeing Lord, now look to those in city and in field
who seek to spread your fame and love, this broken world to heal.
See your persecuted children; soothe their violent wounds.
In their weakness be their strength, that they might hope in you.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, may your Kingdom come.
In all the earth, as it is in heaven, may your will be done.
In all the world, in all our hearts, Jesus, you are King.
We wait, we hope, we trust, we know, your face we soon shall see.
We wait, we hope, we trust, we know, your face we soon shall see.

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* **Hymn of praise**

“We Will Feast in the House of Zion”

We will not be burned by the fire. He is the Lord our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
upheld, protected, gathered up.

Refrain: We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
“He has done great things,” we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.

In the dark of night before the dawn, my soul be not afraid.
For the promised morning, O how long?
O God of Jacob be my strength. *Refrain*

Every vow we’ve broken and betrayed. You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom. *Refrain*

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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:

Anna Davis – flute

David Henry – guitar, vocals

Hannah Lutz – viola

Hannah Perry – vocals

Maria Rhodes – vocals

Jeremy Taylor – piano

Chapman Whitted – guitar

The rosebud in the fellowship hall today is for the birth of Catherine Joy Risley, born to Rebekah and Luke Risley on February 27.

Deuteronomy 5:1, 6-8, 11-12, 16-19

¹And Moses summoned all Israel and said to them, "Hear, O Israel, the statutes and the rules that I speak in your hearing today, and you shall learn them and be careful to do them."

God said: ⁶"I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

⁷"You shall have no other gods before me.

⁸"You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

¹¹"You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

¹²"Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you.

¹⁶"Honor your father and your mother, as the LORD your God commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

¹⁷"You shall not murder.

¹⁸"And you shall not commit adultery.

¹⁹"And you shall not steal."

SERMON NOTES
"Stealing vs. Stewarding"
Deuteronomy 5:19

1. The rationale behind the commandment
 - The gift of ownership and the responsibility of stewardship

2. The meaning of the commandment
 - Negatively: Do not take what belongs to others.

 - Positively: Delight in sharing what God has entrusted to us.

3. The hope for those who break this commandment
 - The Innocent One who hung between two thieves

Further Up, Further In,
Resources for
Continued Study



2023 WORLD MISSIONS CONFERENCE
BY ALL MEANS: REACHING THE LOST IN THE 21ST CENTURY

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Please note that registration by March 13 is required for all events, excluding those on Sunday. Follow the registration links at Impc.org/wmc2023 or use Realm Connect. All events are free.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15

World Missions Conference Kick-Off Dinner

5:30 to 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall

Join us for dinner and fellowship, followed by children's programming concurrent with the adult Q&A session. Nursery is available beginning at 6:00 p.m. Take-out will not be offered on this evening.

THURSDAY, MARCH 16

"By All Means" VIP Missions Luncheon

12:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall

VIPs will have the opportunity to participate in a Q&A with our guests during this special lunch. *VIP refers to mostly retired adults (ages 65+) in our community.*

FRIDAY, MARCH 17

Fellowship Dinners with Missionary Guests

6:00 p.m. in various homes

Join us for an evening of conversation and food in the homes of individuals in the area.

SUNDAY, MARCH 19

Morning Worship & Sunday School Presentations

9:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Communion Service

6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE REMEMBER TO MAKE YOUR PLEDGE toward the 2023 budget. When you pledge, it helps us plan and to know that our spending on ministry will be in line with the amount given by God's people at LMPC. You may pledge by emailing pledge@lmpc.org, going through your Realm account, or completing a pledge card which may be found in the fellowship hall lobby, Narthex, or sanctuary pew racks.

JOIN US TONIGHT IN THE CHAPEL FOR OUR SUNDAY EVENING GATHERING at 6:00 p.m. Come together in concerted prayer for our upcoming World Missions Conference.

VIEW OUR SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY NIGHTS. Now you may look ahead two months and see the plan for upcoming Sunday Evening Gatherings, including prayer, communion services, and missions reports. Find the March/April schedule at lmpc.org/sundaynight.

CONTINUE TO GIVE TOWARD OUR SPECIAL COLLECTION for relief efforts in Turkey and Syria. Drop your monetary donation in the container in the fellowship hall lobby. Our World Missions Committee will match up to \$10,000 of what you give! Funds will be distributed through partner agencies and nationals with whom we have longstanding relationships.

OUR MARCH VIP EVENT WILL INCLUDE DINNER AND A CONCERT. On Thursday, March 30 at 5:30 p.m., join us at Honey Seed for "breakfast for dinner" before enjoying CSO Masterworks Mozart's *Requiem* at Memorial Auditorium. Attend the dinner or concert ONLY for \$20, or attend both for \$35. Please register on Realm Connect or by sending payment to the church office by March 22. *The VIP group is made up of mostly retired adults (ages 65+) from Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church and the community who meet monthly for fun and fellowship.*

2023 MARKS THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). Our denomination has called for 50 weeks of prayer in celebration of this milestone of God's faithfulness. Visit pca50.org to find relevant resources including monthly prayer guides, historical information, past sermons from early sessions of the General Assembly, and weekly reflections written by church leaders across the PCA. (The February 20 devotional was written by Pastor Brian Salter.) Explore this website, pray for the PCA, and celebrate this anniversary!

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, March 5

9:30 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
9:30 a.m.	Sunday school for adults.....	<i>Conference Room</i>
10:30 a.m.	Elders available to pray for your needs	<i>Brian Salter's office</i>
11:00 a.m.	Worship service with communion.....	<i>sanctuary & fellowship hall</i>
11:00 a.m.	Sunday school for adults, youth, & children.....	<i>various locations</i>
11:00 a.m.	Communicants class for youth.....	<i>JHYB</i>
6:00 p.m.	Evening prayer	<i>chapel</i>
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group	<i>JHYB</i>

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

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Stay tuned for upcoming opportunities!

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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.

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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.