



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 7, 2023 | **Sanctuary Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO LMPC! *We're so glad you are with us today. Please use the welcome card from the pew rack in front of you to share important information with us; an online form is available by scanning the QR code on the back of the bulletin. 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

Prelude

*"Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling"
Michael Burkhardt*

Holy Spirit, ever working through the church's ministry,
teaching, strength'ning, and absolving, setting captive sinners free,
Holy Spirit, ever binding age to age and soul to soul
in communion never ending, you we worship and extol.

Welcome and announcements

Wil Nettleton, pastor of mission & worship

* Call to worship

taken from Daniel 2 and Psalm 89

Leader: Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are his.

All: He changes times and seasons; he sets up kings and deposes them. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. He reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with him.

Leader: I will sing of the LORD's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

All: I will declare that your love stands firm forever, that you established your faithfulness in heaven itself.

* Hymn of praise 345, vv. 1, 2, 4

“Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken”

* 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

“Come, Ye Disconsolate”

Chancel Choir

Come, ye disconsolate, where’er ye languish,
come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel:
here bring your wounded hearts, here tell your anguish;
earth has no sorrow that heav’n cannot heal.

Joy of the desolate, light of the straying,
hope of the penitent, fadeless and pure!
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly, saying,
“Earth has no sorrow that heav’n cannot cure.”

Here see the Bread of Life; see waters flowing
forth from the throne of God, pure from above:
come to the feast of love; come, ever knowing
earth has no sorrow but heav’n can remove.

text by Thomas Moore, 1816; v. 3 by Thomas Hastings, 1832; music by Ethan McGrath, 2016

* **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 7:1-6**
p. 179 in pew Bible and text printed in the bulletin

Wil Nettleton (9:30)
Jim Richter (11:00)

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

Prayer of preparation for the study of God’s Word

Sermon

“The Call to Holiness”
Chad Middlebrooks, pastor of discipleship

Pastoral prayer

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

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.

Invitation to the Lord’s Table

Hymn of confession 648, vv. 1, 2, 4

“My Jesus, I Love Thee”

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God’s pardoning grace

based on Isaiah 55:7-9

We believe that when we turn to the LORD, he will have mercy on us, for he is a God who freely pardons those who truly seek him. He tells us that his thoughts are not our thoughts and our ways are not his ways. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are his ways and thoughts far above ours. Thanks be to 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

Distribution of the elements

For the bread 264

"Jesus, Keep Me near the Cross"

For the cup 308

"Jesus Paid It All"

Prayer of thanksgiving

* Hymn of response 305, vv. 1, 2, 4

"Arise, My Soul, Arise"

* Benediction

* Congregational response

"Threefold Amen"

* Postlude

"How Firm a Foundation"
arr. Hal H. Hopson

Musicians for this week:

Joy Gibbons – director

Joshua Knight – organ, piano

Deuteronomy 7:1-6

¹“When the LORD your God brings you into the land that you are entering to take possession of it, and clears away many nations before you, the Hittites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations more numerous and mightier than you, ²and when the LORD your God gives them over to you, and you defeat them, then you must devote them to complete destruction. You shall make no covenant with them and show no mercy to them. ³You shall not intermarry with them, giving your daughters to their sons or taking their daughters for your sons, ⁴for they would turn away your sons from following me, to serve other gods. Then the anger of the LORD would be kindled against you, and he would destroy you quickly. ⁵But thus shall you deal with them: you shall break down their altars and dash in pieces their pillars and chop down their Asherim and burn their carved images with fire. ⁶For you are a people holy to the LORD your God. The LORD your God has chosen you to be a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth.”

IN MEMORIAM

Barbara A. Vermeer

July 13, 1953 - May 3, 2023

SERMON NOTES
"The Call to Holiness"
Deuteronomy 7:1-6

God's call to holiness is:

1. sure and sovereign. (vv. 1-2, 6)
2. cooperative and complete. (vv. 2-5)
3. covenantal and caring. (v. 4)

Further Up, Further In,
Resources for
Continued Study



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WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

TONIGHT, JOIN US FOR SCRIPTURE & SONG at 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Great hymns and anthems of our faith will be led by our Chancel Choir and congregation. Nursery will be provided, with a cookie reception to follow.

THE FULL SLATE OF OFFICER CANDIDATES FOR THE CLASS OF 2026 was elected by the congregation on April 30. They will be installed as officers in the morning services on Sunday, May 21.

THE LMPC ONLINE DIRECTORY allows our members to easily find contact information for one another; and, it's private, which means it's only accessible through a Realm Connect account. However, this directory is only as useful as our members allow it to be. If you do not have a Realm Connect account, then you are not in the directory – and others can't find you. Or, if you have an account but you have hidden your information, it makes it difficult for members to contact you. Email onrealm@lmpc.org to request your Realm Connect account today to join the church directory, or review your privacy settings if you are already on.

PASTOR FRANK HITCHINGS will be taking a much-deserved sabbatical from May 1 to September 9. Please pray for his rest. If you see him in the community, feel free to greet him. However, please protect him from the work and business of the church for this season. If you need assistance, please contact Frank's assistant, Jennifer Thompson (jenniferthompson@lmpc.org or 423-424-4099), who will direct you to someone who can help with your specific need.

WIDOWED? HELP IS HERE and hope is possible. Discover reasons for hope and tips for coping with the death of a spouse in this GriefShare seminar. Register on Realm Connect and join us on Saturday, May 13 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the JHYB.

SUMMER MUSIC OPPORTUNITIES: Consider joining one of our sanctuary ensembles this summer! A Men's Ensemble will sing on June 4, 11, and 18 (rehearsal: June 3 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.); a Women's Ensemble will sing on June 25, July 2, and July 9 (rehearsal: June 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.). No Wednesday rehearsals. Please register on Realm Connect. Questions? Email joy@lmpc.org.

SAVE THESE DATES for women's summer events:

- Wednesday Morning Bible Study: June 7, 14, 21, 28 from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.
Topic: fear & anxiety. Childcare provided for infants - 5th grade.
- Summer Suppers: June 15 & July 13, 6:00 p.m.
- Summer Book Clubs: June 27, 6:30 p.m.
- Popsicles on the Playground: June 2 & July 7, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.

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

TODAY AT LMPC

Sunday, May 7

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>
6:00 p.m.	Scripture and Song.....	<i>sanctuary</i>
7:00 p.m.	Reception.....	<i>courtyard</i>

Additional seating for the sanctuary services is available in the chapel.

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

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- Communicate with your groups and teams
- Register easily for popular events
- Access our online church directory
- Update your contact and personal information, including photo
- Manage your church giving and pledging

Find more details on how to join and use Realm Connect at lmpc.org/realm.

For additional help with Realm Connect, or to request an account, email Katie Holstege at katie@lmpc.org.

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 the evening on the third Sunday of every month. Devices to amplify sound are available. If you would like one, please arrive a few minutes early and ask an usher to assist you.