



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 21, 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

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Welcome and greetings

Wil Nettleton, pastor of mission & worship

\* Call to worship

taken from Psalm 104

Leader: Praise the LORD, O my soul. O LORD my God, you are very great; you are clothed with splendor and majesty.

**All: How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.**

Leader: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works—he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

**All: I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD. Praise the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD!**

\* Hymn of praise

“Rejoice in All Your Works”

Every mouth that cries for food, every lung that yearns for breath,  
every eye that searches through the dark for light,  
all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food;  
from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied.

*Refrain:* O rejoice in all your works, King of heaven, King of earth!  
Every creature you have made declares your praise.  
We rejoice in all you've made, God of all sustaining grace;  
with the mountain, sky, and sea, we sing your praise.

Every tree that thirsts for rain, every bird that seeks its nest,  
every heart that waits in hope to be made glad,  
all creation looks to you for its breath and for its food;  
from the goodness of your hand we're satisfied. *Refrain*

May the pond'rings of my heart and the song upon my lips  
with the chorus of creation join in praise  
to the God who made all things, to the Spirit who sustains,  
to the Son who over all creation reigns. *Refrain*

*text based on Psalm 104, music by Wendell Kimbrough ©2014 Wendell Kimbrough, ARP, UBP, CCLI Lic. #152036*

## \* Prayer of adoration

### Prayer for graduates

### Call to confession

Luke 18:9-14

To some who were confident of their own righteousness and looked down on everybody else, Jesus told this parable:

"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood up and prayed about himself: 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men—robbers, evildoers, adulterers—or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week and give a tenth of all I get.' But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.' I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

### Silent prayers of confession

#### Assurance of God's pardoning grace

based on 2 Corinthians 5 and Zephaniah 3

Leader: God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

**All: Be glad and rejoice! The LORD has taken away our punishment. The LORD our God is with us, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in us, he will quiet us with his love, he will rejoice over us with singing.**

\* **Hymn of assurance**

“’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus”

’Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word;  
just to rest upon his promise; just to know, “Thus saith the Lord.”

*Refrain:* Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I’ve proved him o’er and o’er!  
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! O for grace to trust him more!

O how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood;  
just in simple faith to plunge me ‘neath the healing, cleansing flood! *Refrain*

Yes, ’tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease;  
just from Jesus simply taking life and rest, and joy and peace. *Refrain*  
text by Louisa M. R. Stead, 1882; music by William J. Kirkpatrick, 1882

**Worship in the giving of God’s tithe and our offerings**

**Offertory hymn**

“Yet Not I, but through Christ in Me”

What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer?  
There is no more for heaven now to give.  
He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom,  
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus,  
for my life is wholly bound to his.  
O how strange and divine, I can sing, “All is mine!”  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken,  
for by my side, the Savior, he will stay.  
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing,  
for in my need his power is displayed.  
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me;  
through the deepest valley he will lead.  
O the night has been won, and I shall overcome!  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven,  
the future sure, the price, it has been paid.  
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon,  
and he was raised to overthrow the grave.  
To this I hold: my sin has been defeated;  
Jesus now and ever is my plea.  
O the chains are released, I can sing, “I am free!”  
Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With ev'ry breath, I long to follow Jesus,  
for he has said that he will bring me home.  
And day by day, I know he will renew me  
until I stand with joy before the throne.  
To this I hold: my hope is only Jesus;  
all the glory evermore to him.  
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat,  
"Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

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## **Officer ordination and installation**

### **\* Scripture reading from Deuteronomy 7:12-26**

*text printed in the bulletin*

Tabitha Kapic (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**

"Promises & Provision"

Brian Salter, lead pastor

### **Pastoral prayer**

### **\* Hymn of response**

"Here Is Love"

Here is love vast as the ocean, loving-kindness as a flood,  
when the Prince of Life, our ransom, shed for us his precious blood.  
Here is love, Lord we remember; from our hearts we lift your praise,  
raising high the living anthem all will sing through endless days.

On the mount of crucifixion fountains opened deep and wide.  
Through the floodgates of your mercy flowed a vast and gracious tide.  
Here is love like mighty rivers poured unceasing from above:  
heaven's peace and perfect justice kissed a guilty world in love.

In thy truth thou dost direct me by thy Spirit through thy Word;  
and thy grace my need is meeting as I trust in you, my Lord.  
Of thy fullness, thou art pouring thy great love and pow'r on me,  
without measure, full and boundless, drawing out my heart to thee.

*continued*

Let me, all thy love accepting, love thee ever all my days;  
let me seek thy Kingdom only and my life be to thy praise.  
Thou alone shalt be my glory, nothing in the world I see.  
Thou hast cleansed and sanctified me; thou, thyself, hast set me free.  
Here is love, Lord we remember; from our hearts we lift your praise,  
raising high the living anthem all will sing through endless days.  
*text by William Rees, 1802-1883; music by Robert Lowry, 1876*

**\* 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**

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**Musicians for this week:**

**Eleanor Caines** – vocals  
**William Darby** – vocals  
**David Henry** – guitar, vocals

**Hannah Lutz** – viola  
**Hannah Perry** – flute  
**Bob Wharton** – piano

## OFFICER INSTALLATION AND ORDINATION

The LMPC officer class of 2026 will be installed during the morning worship services today. Any officer serving for the first time as either an elder or a deacon will also be ordained.

### ELDERS

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|-----------------|------------|
| David Caines    | Don Morton |
| Tad Dacus       | Doug Perry |
| Tommy Gifford   | Sam Smartt |
| Larry Goodman   | Ron Thomas |
| Derek Halvorson | Jack Webb  |

### DEACONS

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|------------------|--------------|
| Don Bailey, Jr.  | Carter Helm  |
| Jay Brooks       | Eddy Hilger  |
| Chuck Denham     | Paul Jacobs  |
| Will Givens      | Ross Shumate |
| Griffin Hatcliff | Carter Young |

## Deuteronomy 7:12-26

<sup>12</sup>“And because you listen to these rules and keep and do them, the LORD your God will keep with you the covenant and the steadfast love that he swore to your fathers. <sup>13</sup>He will love you, bless you, and multiply you. He will also bless the fruit of your womb and the fruit of your ground, your grain and your wine and your oil, the increase of your herds and the young of your flock, in the land that he swore to your fathers to give you. <sup>14</sup>You shall be blessed above all peoples. There shall not be male or female barren among you or among your livestock. <sup>15</sup>And the LORD will take away from you all sickness, and none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which you knew, will he inflict on you, but he will lay them on all who hate you. <sup>16</sup>And you shall consume all the peoples that the LORD your God will give over to you. Your eye shall not pity them, neither shall you serve their gods, for that would be a snare to you.

<sup>17</sup>“If you say in your heart, ‘These nations are greater than I. How can I dispossess them?’ <sup>18</sup>you shall not be afraid of them but you shall remember what the LORD your God did to Pharaoh and to all Egypt, <sup>19</sup>the great trials that your eyes saw, the signs, the wonders, the mighty hand, and the outstretched arm, by which the LORD your God brought you out. So will the LORD your God do to all the peoples of whom you are afraid. <sup>20</sup>Moreover, the LORD your God will send hornets among them, until those who are left and hide themselves from you are destroyed. <sup>21</sup>You shall not be in dread of them, for the LORD your God is in your midst, a great and awesome God.

<sup>22</sup>The LORD your God will clear away these nations before you little by little. You may not make an end of them at once, lest the wild beasts grow too numerous for you. <sup>23</sup>But the LORD your God will give them over to you and throw them into great confusion, until they are destroyed.

<sup>24</sup>And he will give their kings into your hand, and you shall make their name perish from under heaven. No one shall be able to stand against you until you have destroyed them.

<sup>25</sup>“The carved images of their gods you shall burn with fire. You shall not covet the silver or the gold that is on them or take it for yourselves, lest you be ensnared by it, for it is an abomination to the LORD your God. <sup>26</sup>And you shall not bring an abominable thing into your house and become devoted to destruction like it. You shall utterly detest and abhor it, for it is devoted to destruction.”



**SERMON NOTES**  
“Promises & Provision”  
*Deuteronomy 7:12-26*

God’s covenant love for his people is displayed in providing:

1. the **assurance** of blessing for obedience. (vv. 12-16)
2. the **antidote** to fear in the face of foes. (vv. 17-24)
3. the **admonition** to thoroughly eliminate idols. (vv. 25-26)

*Further Up, Further In,*  
Resources for  
Continued Study



**SERMON NOTES**  
"Promises & Provision"  
*Deuteronomy 7:12-26*

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**TONIGHT FOR OUR SUNDAY EVENING GATHERING**, join us for a communion service in the sanctuary at 6:00 p.m. We will also commission the High School Youth Uganda Team for their upcoming trip. Pick up their prayer card today at the bulletin board or in the lobby or Narthex.

**DUE TO AN ASBESTOS ABATEMENT PROJECT** in the tower and the floors below, the Narthex, chapel, and stairwell will be inaccessible beginning May 22 until further notice. Please access the sanctuary through the “little” narthex door or pulpit door only.

**JOIN US FOR A SUMMER KICKOFF SOCIAL** for young adults, ages 23-40 on Saturday, May 27 from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. at Oddstory. We’ll enjoy games, food, and fellowship. Bring your kids! Food and drinks available for purchase.

**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](mailto:joy@lmpc.org).

**POPSICLES ON THE PLAYGROUND:** If you are a mom of young kids or simply desire casual fellowship with other LMPC women, join us on the LMPC playground on June 2 and July 7 for fun and conversation from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. We’ll have popsicles for the kids and coffee/cold drinks for the adults! No registration required.

**HOW DOES THE GOSPEL SPEAK INTO OUR FEAR AND WORRY?** This is the topic of our Women’s Summer Bible Study, Wednesday mornings in June from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Nursery provided; lessons and activities for PreK through 5th grade. Attend as you are able.

**MAKE PLANS TO JOIN US FOR WOMEN'S SUMMER SUPPERS**, hosted in individual homes in our community on June 15 and July 13. Invite your friends and neighbors! Please register for the June date on Realm Connect. Interested in hosting? Email [Caroline Scruggs](mailto:Caroline.Scruggs@lmpc.org), [caroline@lmpc.org](mailto:caroline@lmpc.org).

*To find out more about happenings at LMPC, visit [lmpc.org/news](http://lmpc.org/news).*

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, May 21*

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| 9:30 a.m.  | Worship service .....                            | <i>sanctuary &amp; 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 .....                            | <i>sanctuary &amp; fellowship hall</i> |
| 11:00 a.m. | Sunday school for adults, youth, & children..... | <i>various locations</i>               |
| 6:00 p.m.  | Evening Gathering communion service .....        | <i>sanctuary</i>                       |

*For more events this week, visit [lmpc.org/calendar](http://lmpc.org/calendar).*

### JOIN OUR ONLINE DIRECTORY ON REALM CONNECT:

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. If you share a Realm Connect account with your spouse, then you are not both in the directory, and you won't have your own Serve profile. In order to have a Realm Connect account, and an entry in the church directory, you must provide a unique email address.

Email [onrealm@lmpc.org](mailto: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.

### 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.