



LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 18, 2023 | **Fellowship Hall Service** | 9:30 and 11:00 a.m. | *George Long Preaching Series*

**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**

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**

*"All Creatures of Our God and King"*

All creatures of our God and King,  
lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!  
Thou burning sun with golden beam,  
thou silver moon with softer gleam,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart,  
forgiving others, take your part, O sing ye, alleluia!  
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,  
praise God and on him cast your care,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,  
and worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!  
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,  
and praise the Spirit, three in one,  
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!  
*text by Francis of Assisi, 1225; German tune, 1623*

## \* **Prayer of adoration**

### **Call to confession**

1 John 1:5-9

This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.

### **Silent prayers of confession**

### **Assurance of God's pardoning grace**

1 John 4:9-10, 15

This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. If anyone acknowledges that Jesus is the Son of God, God lives in him and he in God.

## \* **Hymn of assurance**

"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.

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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.

*text and music by Steve and Vikki Cook © 2001 Sovereign Grace Worship ARR, ICS, UBP, CCLI Lic.#152036*

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

### **Offertory hymn**

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,  
while the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:  
hide me, O my Savior, hide, till the storm is past;  
safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on thee;  
leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on thee is stayed, all help from thee I bring;  
cover my defenseless head in the shadow of thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find:  
raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is thy name; I am all unrighteousness;  
false and full of sin I am, thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within:  
thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee;  
spring thou up within my heart, to all eternity.

*text by Charles Wesley, 1740; music by Greg Thompson, 2000*

### **\* Scripture reading from Romans 1:8-17**

*text printed in the bulletin*

Brian Salter (9:30)  
Deborah Thomas (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 Gospel Is the Power of God”  
Alistair Begg, senior pastor Parkside Church

**Pastoral prayer**

\* **Hymn of response**

“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**

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**Musicians for this week:**

**Grady Dickinson** – alto saxophone  
**Calvin Garriott** – piano  
**David Henry** – guitar, vocals

**Hannah Lutz** – viola  
**Anna Stroud** – vocals  
**Emmie Thompson** – vocals

## **Romans 1:8-17**

<sup>8</sup>First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world. <sup>9</sup>For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I mention you <sup>10</sup>always in my prayers, asking that somehow by God's will I may now at last succeed in coming to you. <sup>11</sup>For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you— <sup>12</sup>that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine. <sup>13</sup>I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles. <sup>14</sup>I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. <sup>15</sup>So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

<sup>16</sup>For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. <sup>17</sup>For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

### **SERMON NOTES**

"The Gospel Is the Power of God"

## GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES GUEST SPEAKER, ALISTAIR BEGG

Alistair Begg has been in pastoral ministry since 1975. He graduated from the London School of Theology and subsequently served in Scotland at Charlotte Chapel in Edinburgh and Hamilton Baptist Church. In 1983, he became the senior pastor at Parkside Church near Cleveland, Ohio, where he continues to lead the congregation and teach God's Word Sunday by Sunday.

Alistair Begg is also the Bible teacher on the daily and weekend program *Truth For Life*. *Truth For Life* is distributed through 1,900 radio networks across the United States and can also be heard online at [truthforlife.org](http://truthforlife.org), through YouTube, via podcast, and by way of numerous other listening platforms. Alistair is the author of several books. He and his wife Susan were married in 1975 and have three grown children and eight grandchildren.



## GEORGE LONG PREACHING SERIES

The Dr. George W. Long Preaching Series was established by the LMPC Session in 2001 to honor long-time pastor George Long, who served at LMPC through a season of spiritual renewal in the 1970s and '80s. It serves as an annual reminder of "our Savior's faithful use of his holy Word in our midst" and celebrates that God used Dr. Long to call LMPC back to the primacy of God's Word. Dr. Long died in 2016.

Previous speakers have included:

Dr. Gabriel Fluhrer	Rev. Jerram Barrs
Rev. Eric Youngblood	Rev. Paul Tripp
Dr. Richard Pratt	Dr. Bryan Chapell
Dr. Steve Brown	Dr. Reggie Kidd
Dr. Irwyn Ince	Rev. Scotty Smith
Dr. Michael Kruger	Jerry Bridges
Rev. Kennedy Smartt	Rev. Roger Gulick
Rev. Harry Long	Dr. R.C. Sproul
Rev. Joe Novenson	

[lmpc.org/george-long-preaching-series](http://lmpc.org/george-long-preaching-series)

## TODAY AT LMPC

*Sunday, June 18*

9:30 a.m.	Worship service .....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
10:30 a.m.	Elders available to pray for your needs .....	Brian Salter's office
11:00 a.m.	Worship service .....	sanctuary & fellowship hall
6:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Gathering communion service .....	fellowship hall
7:30 p.m.	High school youth group .....	JHYB

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

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JOIN US FOR OUR SUNDAY EVENING GATHERING** communion service at 6:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Alistair Begg will be our guest preacher; nursery is provided.

**CHOICES ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE** will be held on Saturday, June 24, with check-in beginning at 9:00 a.m. This year's walk will be held in the Tennessee Riverpark. If you are interested in participating, please visit [team.choiceschattanooga.org/wfl](http://team.choiceschattanooga.org/wfl).

**WOMEN'S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY** is on Wednesday mornings in June from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Nursery is provided; lessons and activities for Pre-K through 5th grade. Attend as you are able.

**IF YOU ARE AN ADULT WHO WANTS TO JOIN** the church, or you would like to learn about what we believe, mark your calendar for the Intro to LMPC class on August 19 and 20. Registration will open next week on Realm Connect.

## 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.