

November 10, 2024

Worship | 11:00am



CELEBRATING GOD'S *faithfulness* WITH *humility,*
gratitude AND BRIGHT *expectation*

WELCOME

This is a special weekend in the life of Lexington Presbyterian Church. We are so glad that you can celebrate God's faithfulness and worship with us, whether in person or via livestream. Let us give thanks and praise to God Almighty for 50 years as a local church body.

Our theme for this weekend is "CELEBRATING GOD'S faithfulness WITH humility, gratitude AND BRIGHT expectation." Truly God has done amazing things at LPC since its founding 50 years ago.

This weekend, we are guided by two scripture verses.

PSALM 117:2a

For great is his steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

EPHESIANS 3:20-21

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

To God be the glory!

At Lexington Presbyterian Church, for God's glory, we are making disciples of Jesus as we worship, love, and serve.

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General inquiries: hello@lexpreschurch.com

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

* Congregation, please stand if able

Prelude | Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

PRAISE

Welcome and Announcements

Recognition of Charter Members

John McAulay

Doug and Pat Reedy

Carol Varnadore

Greg Wessel

* **Call to Worship** | John 15:5-8

Leader: I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.

All: If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned.

Leader: If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.

All: By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

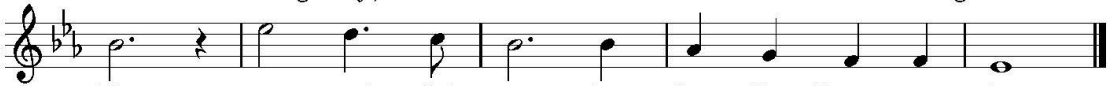
* God of Our Fathers-Trinity Hymnal #710



1. God of our fa - thers, whose al-might-y hand leads forth in beau-ty
 2. Thy love di-vine hath led us in the past; in this free land by
 3. From war's alarms, from dead-ly pes - ti - lence, be thy strong arm our
 4. Re - fresh thy peo - ple on their toilsome way, lead us from night to



all the star-ry band of shin-ing worlds in splen-dor through the
 thee our lot is cast; be thou our rul - er, guard-ian, guide, and
 ev - er - sure de-fense; thy true re - li - gion in our hearts in -
 nev - er - end-ing day; fill all our lives with love and grace di -



skies, our grate - ful songs be - fore thy throne a - rise.
 stay; thy Word our law, thy paths our cho - sen way.
 crease, thy boun - teous good - ness nour - ish us in peace.
 vine, and glo - ry, laud, and praise be ev - er thine.

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 TUNE (NATIONAL HYMN): George William Warren, 1892
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* Prayer of Invocation

* **Scripture Reading** | John 15:9-17 | Pew Bible p. 902

“As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

“This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.”

I Will Glory in My Redeemer



1. I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er whose price-less blood has ran-somed me.
2. I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er; my life He bought, my love He owns.
3. I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er who car-ries me on ea-gle's wings.



Mine was the sin that drove the bit-ter nails, and hung Him on that judg-ment tree.
I have no long-ings for an-oth-er; I'm sat-is-fied in Him a-lone.
He crowns my life with lov-ing-kind-ness; His tri-umph song I'll ev-er sing.



I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er who crushed the pow'r of sin and death;
I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er, His faith-ful-ness my stand-ing place;
I will glo-ry in my Re-deem-er who waits for me at gates of gold;



my on-ly Sav-ior be-fore the ho-ly Judge;
though foes are might-y and rush up on me,
and when He calls me it will be par-a-dise;



the Lamb, Who is my right-eous-ness, the Lamb, Who is my right-eous-ness.
my feet are firm, held by His grace, my feet are firm, held by His grace.
His face for-ev-er to be-hold, His face for-ev-er to be-hold.

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RENEWAL

Call to Confession | Hebrew 3:12-15

Leader: Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. As it is said,

“Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”

Corporate Confession of Sin | Based on Hosea 10:12-13

All: Lord,
We have not sown for ourselves seeds of faith and righteousness,
though we long to reap the fruit of unfailing love.
Grant us the grace to break up our unplowed and hardened ground.
For it is time to seek you, O Lord, until you come and shower us with
righteousness.
But we have planted wickedness, Lord. And we have reaped evil.
We have eaten the fruit of our own deception because we have
depended on our own strength. Lord, hear our confession.
In Jesus' name, Amen.

Silent Confession


* **Words of Assurance** | Ezekiel 36:25-28

Leader: I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God.


* A Christian Daily Prayer




1. As morn - ing dawns and day a - wakes, to You I bring my need.
 2. As day un - folds, I seek Your will in all of life's de - mands,
 3. As sun gives way to dark - est night, Your Spir - it still is here.



O gra - cious God, my source of strength, in You I live and breathe.
 And though the tempt - er tries me still, I cling to Your com - mands.
 And though my strength fades like the light, new mer - cies will ap - pear.



Each hour is Yours, by wis - dom planned, each deed em - pow'rd by sov - 'reign hands.
 Let eve - ry ef - fort of my life dis - play the match - less worth of Christ.
 I rest in You, a - bide with me, un - til our trials and suf - fer - ing



Re - new my spir - it; help me stand, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
 Make me a liv - ing sac - ri - fice, be glo - ri - fied to - day.
 give way to fi - nal vic - to - ry, be glo - ri - fied to - day.

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* **Creed** | Heidelberg Catechism, Questions 1 and 2

Q1: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A.: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Q2: What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

A.: Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.

* Gloria Patri

Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly

The first system of music is in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The vocal line begins with a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B-flat4, and C5. The accompaniment consists of a steady bass line of quarter notes: G2, B-flat2, C3, and D3.

Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er

The second system continues the melody. The vocal line has a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B-flat4, and C5. The accompaniment continues with quarter notes: G2, B-flat2, C3, and D3.

shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

The third system concludes the piece. The vocal line features a quarter note G4, followed by quarter notes A4, B-flat4, and C5. The accompaniment continues with quarter notes: G2, B-flat2, C3, and D3. The system ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

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Friendship Register

Kindly remember to give your neighbor the Friendship Register. Once it reaches the end of the pew, then please pass it back. Making acquaintances with guests and fostering friendships within the larger church family is the goal of this register. Starting from the middle aisle, the register is located at the head of each pew. Please, make sure to write your name legibly.

Worship Through Giving

The offering is a way for members and friends of Lexington Presbyterian to present the substance of their whole lives to God. Please feel no pressure to give.

Ways to give:

- You may use the offering plates.
- Go to “Giving” on your Church Center mobile app or lexpres.churchcenter.com.
- Text2Give: text any dollar amount to 84321.

Offertory | Forevermore | Mr. Gary Calloway, Former LPC Director

Choir:

Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Word of God, the Cornerstone,
yesterday, today, forever, seated on His heav'nly throne.
In this world that God created, broken by the fall of man,
God remains the sure foundation, steadfast and unshakable, forevermore.

Congregation sings:

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home.

Choir:

God will not forget His promise ever faithful to remain,
Never to forsake or leave us, by our side both night and day.
Our tomorrows hold no secrets that the Father does not know;
We can trust Him, ever working for His glory and our good, forevermore.

Congregation sings:

Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Thine arm alone, and our defense is sure.

Choir:

Praise the Author of creation, of the world and all it holds;
Praise the Word eternal, standing firm Our God is God forevermore.

Congregation sings:

O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while life shall last, and our eternal home

Choir:

Forevermore, forevermore, forevermore!

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* The Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Text: Thomas Ken, 1674

Tune (OLD HUNDREDDTH): Louis Bourgeois, 1551

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* Offertory Prayer

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Corporate Prayer

Introduction of Guest Speaker, Rev. Joseph V. Novenson and his wife, Barbara

Children's Sermon | Love Is Shown by Giving

* Scripture Reading | Revelation 13:1-10 | pp. 1035

¹ And I saw a beast rising out of the sea, with ten horns and seven heads, with ten diadems on its horns and blasphemous names on its heads. ² And the beast that I saw was like a leopard; its feet were like a bear's, and its mouth was like a lion's mouth. And to it the dragon gave his power and his throne and great authority. ³ One of its heads seemed to have a mortal wound, but its mortal wound was healed, and the whole earth marveled as they followed the beast. ⁴ And they worshiped the dragon, for he had given his authority to the beast, and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who can fight against it?"

⁵ And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for forty-two months. ⁶ It opened its mouth to utter blasphemies against God, blaspheming his name and his dwelling, that is, those who dwell in heaven. ⁷ Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation, ⁸ and all who dwell on earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not been written before the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain. ⁹ If anyone has an ear, let him hear:

¹⁰ If anyone is to be taken captive,
to captivity he goes;
if anyone is to be slain with the sword,
with the sword must he be slain.

Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints.

Sermon | Celebrating God's Faithfulness in Bright Expectation

Rev. Joseph V. Novenson

* O Love that Wilt not Let Me Go-Trinity Hymnal #708

1. O Love that wilt not let me go,
 2. O Light that fol - low'st all my way,
 3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain,
 4. O Cross that lift - est up my head,

I rest my wea - ry soul in thee;
 I yield my flick - 'ring torch to thee;
 I can - not close my heart to thee;
 I dare not ask to fly from thee;

I give thee back the life I owe,
 my heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray,
 I trace the rain - bow through the rain,
 I lay in dust life's glo - ry dead,

that in thine o - cean depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.
 that in thy sun - shine's blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.
 and feel the prom - ise is not vain that morn shall tear - less be.
 and from the ground there blos - soms red life that shall end - less be.

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* Sending

Leader: Now, go and serve the risen King as His beloved people.

* Benediction

Leader: May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and forevermore.

* Postlude | For All the Saints

Serving This Morning:

Leader of Worship: Rev. Dr. Curt McDaniel, Interim Senior Pastor

Musicians: Butch Bost, Vicki Bowles, Heather Coleridge, Barb Howell, Robin Vaughan Parler (Former LPC Organist), and Josiah Rogers

Audio/visual and livestream: Chris Hollis

Faith Promise Giving:

LPC fiscal budget year is July 1st to June 30th.

Through the end of September 2024:

General Fund transfer to missions	\$32,499
Faith Promise Giving:	\$29,063
Missions Disbursements	\$46,010

Stewardship

Through the end of September, 2024:

Budget FYTD	\$305,319
Received FYTD	\$285,381
Expenditures FYTD	\$254,568

Updates

Church Administrator, Director of Youth Ministry, and Director of Music and Worship

LPC is seeking a full-time Church Administrator (aka Business Manager), a Director of Youth Ministry, and also Director of Music and Worship. Please visit lexpreschurch.com and click on “Jobs” at the bottom of the home page to view the full job description and learn how to apply. Thank you!

Church Facilities Booking

Wednesday Midweek Reset is in full swing; many church groups started their meetings back, as well as new committees are in working mode. If you would like to have any meeting on the church premises, we kindly ask you to book it before your meeting by using the Event Request form in the ChurchCenter app., or by emailing the church office at hello@lexpreschurch.com, or by calling the church office at 803.359.9501. Thank you for understanding.

Wednesday Morning Prayer Group

Lexington Presbyterian Church has a Prayer Group gathered every Wednesday in the Parlor from 9 to 10 a.m. You are welcome to join them or stop anytime within that hour even if you can spare just a few minutes. If you have any questions, please contact Ginny Wingard at ginny.wingard@gmail.com.

Women's Ministry

Women's ministry nominating committee would like to make available to you the testimonies of the candidates for leadership positions. These testimonies will be available at the welcome center until the election on **November 17th**.

Mission to the World | 30 Days of Prayer

We invite you to join us in devoting the month of November to prayer for global missions. Last **Sunday, November 3**, was the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church and we particularly invite you to join with us in remembering those who live and serve the Lord in places where it is difficult or dangerous.

MTW has provided a webpage prayer calendar at <https://mtw.org/30-days-of-prayer>. A new prayer request will publish each day during November. You may download and print a paper calendar that can be found at the same page.

Since our founding, MTW has joyfully and expectantly promoted an annual season of prayer for world missions. Will you join us in a tradition that is as old as the PCA itself? Your prayers are critical for the growth of the worldwide Church! Without prayer, we can do nothing.

Teaching Elder

Rev. Dr. Curt McDaniel

Ruling Elders

Steve Baarendse

Keith Boland

Steve Coleridge

Paul Graham

Doug Inman

Tom Mason

Owen McCullough

Scott McGuire

Will Miller

John Parler

Jimmie Player

Kelvin Rogers

Doug Reedy

Joe Wright

Deacons

Ted Brewer

Paul Caldwell

Graem Clark

Marty Crean

Steven Jackson

Walker Lomas

John McAulay

Jim McFarland

Russell McFarland

Tommy Parnell

Jason Waters

Elders Emeritus

John Farmer

Steve Gamble

Bob Howell


Bill Maxim

RW McCormick

Neil McLeod

Larry Moody

Fred Motley



LEXINGTON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

November 17, 2024 | 9:45 am
(during CE hour)

- Part 1 - Vote for elders and deacons
- Part 2 - Women - Annual meeting in Tomlin Hall
- Part 2 - Men - Stay in Sanctuary with Curt

Pick up shoe boxes in the Welcome Center



Good News!



Great Joy!



Drop off filled boxes by November 17th



LEXINGTON
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Missions
MOMENT
November 17th

Join us for lunch (provided) after 11:00 worship as we hear from Jay and Sumter Brantley missionaries to Kenya



Christmas Poinsettias

The church will be decorated during Advent with poinsettias. You can purchase one (or more) in memory or in honor of a loved one. \$14 each.





LPC Women's Ministry

Cookie Swap

Friday, December 6th
at 7:00pm
in Tomlin Hall

Bring 2 dozen cookies and wear your ugliest Christmas Sweater!




Deck the Halls

Come help us Deck the Halls

Sunday, November 24th after 11:00 service
Lunch will be provided

Connect Card

Thanks for joining us today. We would love to come alongside you in your walk with Jesus, whether you're new to our community or you've been here a while.

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2. Wait for the camera to recognize and scan the QR code.
3. Click the link banner or notification when it pops up on your screen. Our Connect Card will automatically load in your browser.



Women's Ministry website and Facebook group:

<https://lexpreschurch.com/womens-ministry/>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/LPCWomen>

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