

September 28, 2025

Worship and Livestream | 10 am



# LEXINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

For God's glory, we are making disciples of Jesus as we worship, love, and serve.

# WELCOME

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. We invite you to experience the meaning of the Gospel through this service, which reflects both ancient and modern elements of Christian worship. When we gather as a worshipping community, we enter into a dialogue with the living God. God calls us into worship, we rejoice in the hope of the Gospel, confess our sins, lament the brokenness of our world, give our offerings, and hear God's Word read and preached. We hope that by worshipping with us, you will experience joy and hope from a community of people who love Jesus.

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# LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

\* Congregation, please stand if able

Prelude

## PRAISE

**Updates** | Following Christ Together

\* **Call to Worship** | Revelation 15:3-4

*Leader:*        “Great and amazing are your deeds,  
                      O Lord God the Almighty!

*All:*             Just and true are your ways,  
                      O King of the nations!

*Leader:*        Who will not fear, O Lord,  
                      and glorify your name?

*All:*             For you alone are holy.  
                      All nations will come  
                      and worship you,  
                      for your righteous acts have been revealed.”

\* Be Thou My Vision-Trinity Hymnal No. 642 (vv. 1, 2, 4, 5)

1. Be Thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart  
 2. Be Thou my wis - dom and Thou my true Word  
 3. Rich - es I heed not nor man's emp - ty praise  
 4. High King of heav - en my vic - to - ry won

5  
 Naught be - all else to me save that Thou art  
 I ev - er with Thee and Thou with me Lord  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance now and al - ways  
 may I reach heav - en's joys O bright heav'n's Sun

9  
 Thou my best thought by day or by night  
 Thou my great Fa - ther and I Thy true son  
 thou and thou on - ly first in my heart  
 Heart of my own heart what - ev - er be - fall

13  
 Wa - king or sleep - ing Thy pres - ence my light.  
 Thou in me dwell - ing and I with Thee one.  
 High King of heav - en my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vis - ion O Rul - er of all.

Words: Traditional Irish poem  
 Music: Traditional Irish melody

\* Prayer of Invocation

\* **Scripture Reading** | Isaiah 41:8-16 | Pew Bible p. 601

But you, Israel, my servant,  
    Jacob, whom I have chosen,  
    the offspring of Abraham, my friend;  
you whom I took from the ends of the earth,  
    and called from its farthest corners,  
saying to you, “You are my servant,  
    I have chosen you and not cast you off”;  
fear not, for I am with you;  
    be not dismayed, for I am your God;  
I will strengthen you, I will help you,  
    I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

Behold, all who are incensed against you  
    shall be put to shame and confounded;  
those who strive against you  
    shall be as nothing and shall perish.  
You shall seek those who contend with you,  
    but you shall not find them;  
those who war against you  
    shall be as nothing at all.  
For I, the LORD your God,  
    hold your right hand;  
it is I who say to you, “Fear not,  
    I am the one who helps you.”

Fear not, you worm Jacob,  
    you men of Israel!  
I am the one who helps you, declares the Lord;  
    your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel.  
Behold, I make of you a threshing sledge,  
    new, sharp, and having teeth;  
you shall thresh the mountains and crush them,  
    and you shall make the hills like chaff;

you shall winnow them, and the wind shall carry them away,  
and the tempest shall scatter them.  
And you shall rejoice in the LORD;  
in the Holy One of Israel you shall glory.

# Come, Holy Ghost



1. Come Ho - ly Ghost, Cre - a - tor blest and in our hearts take up thy rest.  
2. O Com - for - ter, to thee we cry, thou heav'n - ly gift of God most high;  
3. O Ho - ly Ghost, through thee a - lone, know we the Fa - ther and the Son;  
4. Praise we the Lord, Fa - ther and son, and Ho - ly Spir - it with them one.



come with thy grace and heav'n ly aid to fill our hearts which  
Thou fount of life, and fire of love and sweet a - noint - ing  
be this our firm un - chang - ing creed, that thou dost from them  
and may the Son on us be - stow all gifts that from the



thou hast made to fill our hearts which thou hast made  
from a - bove and sweet a - noint - ing from a - bove.  
both pro - ceed that thou dost from them both pro - ceed.  
Spir - it flow, all gifts that from the Spir - it flow.



Be not a - fraid where you go there I am with you Be not a -



fraid where you go there I am with you

Text: attr. Rhabanus Maurus, ca. 800

Music: Bruce Benedict & Ray Mills, 2005

# RENEWAL

## Call to Confession | Based on Psalm 66:16, 18-20

*Leader: Come and hear, all you who fear God,  
and I will tell what he has done for my soul.*

*If I had cherished iniquity in my heart,  
the Lord would not have listened.  
But truly God has listened;  
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.*

*Blessed be God,  
because he has not rejected my prayer  
or removed his steadfast love from me!*

*In the strength of this assurance, let us confess our sins to God.*

## Corporate Confession of Sin | by Martin Luther

All: Behold, Lord, I am an empty vessel that needs to be filled.  
My Lord, fill it.  
I am weak in the faith; strengthen me.  
I am cold in love; warm me and make me fervent,  
that my love may go out to my neighbor.  
I do not have a strong and firm faith;  
at times I doubt and am unable to trust You altogether.  
O Lord, help me.  
Strengthen my faith and trust in You.  
In You I have sealed the treasure of all I have.  
I am poor; You are rich and came to be merciful to the poor.  
I am a sinner; You are upright.  
With me there is an abundance of sin;  
in You is the fullness of righteousness.  
Therefore I will remain with You,  
of Whom I can receive, but to Whom I may not give.  
Amen.

## Silent Confession

### \* **Words of Comfort** | Based on Romans 8:15-17

*Leader: For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, “Abba! Father!” The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ.*

### \* **Passing of the Peace**

*Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.*

*All: And also with you.*

# \* By Faith

1. By faith we see the hand of God in the  
 2. By faith our fathers roamed the earth with the  
 3. By faith the prophets saw a day when the  
 4. By faith the church was called to go in the  
 5. By faith this mountain shall be moved and the

light of cre - a - tion's grand de - sign, in the  
 pow'r of His pro - mise in their hearts, of a  
 longed - for Mes - si - ah would ap - pear with the  
 pow'r of the Spir - it to the lost to de -  
 pow'r of the gos - pel shall pre - vail, for we

lives of those who prove His faith - ful - ness  
 ho - ly cit - y built by God's own hand  
 pow'r to break the chains of sin and death  
 liv - er cap - tives and to preach good news  
 know in Christ all things are pos - si - ble

who walk by faith and not by sight. 1, 3. 2, 4, 5.  
 a place where peace and jus - tice reign. We will  
 and rise tri - um - phant from the grave. earth. We will  
 in ev - 'ry cor - ner of the earth. name.  
 for all who call up - on His

stand as chil-dren of the promise; We will fix oureyes on Him, our soul's re - ward. Till the  
 race is fin-ished and the work is done, we'll walk by faith and not by sight.

Words and music: Keith & Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend, 2009

## 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 who call Lexington Presbyterian their “spiritual home” 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](http://lexpres.churchcenter.com).
- Text2Give: text any dollar amount to 84321.

## **Praise to the Lord, the Almighty** | Choir Anthem

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near;  
Join me in glad adoration!

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him.  
Let the amen sound from His people again,  
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen!

Text: "Doxology" - Thomas Ken (1674)

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" - Joachim Neander (1680), translated by Catherine Winkworth (1863),

Music: OLD HUNDREDTH attributed to Louis Bourgeois (1551), LOBE DEN HERREN from Germany (1665), arranger - Tom Anderson (1988)

## \* The Doxology

Musical score for "The Doxology" in G major and common time. The score consists of two systems of staves. The first system has a treble staff with a vocal line and a bass staff with a piano accompaniment. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him all crea-tures here be-low; praise". The second system continues with the lyrics: "him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost. A-men." The music concludes with a double bar line.

Words: Thomas Ken, 1709  
Music: Louis Bergeois, 1551

## \* Offertory Prayer

# HEARING GOD'S WORD

## Corporate Prayer

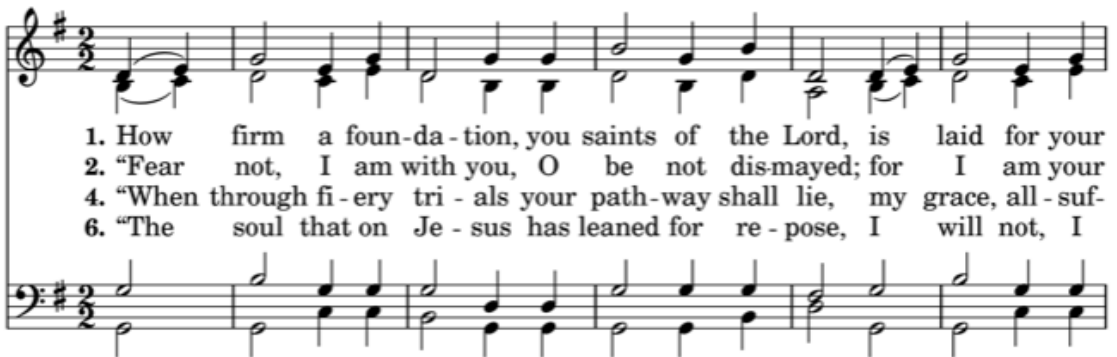
### \* Scripture Reading | Joshua 1:1-9 | Pew Bible p. 178

<sup>1</sup> After the death of Moses the servant of the LORD, the LORD said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, <sup>2</sup> "Moses my servant is dead. Now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the people of Israel. <sup>3</sup> Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses. <sup>4</sup> From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun shall be your territory. <sup>5</sup> No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you. <sup>6</sup> Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. <sup>7</sup> Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. <sup>8</sup> This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. <sup>9</sup> Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

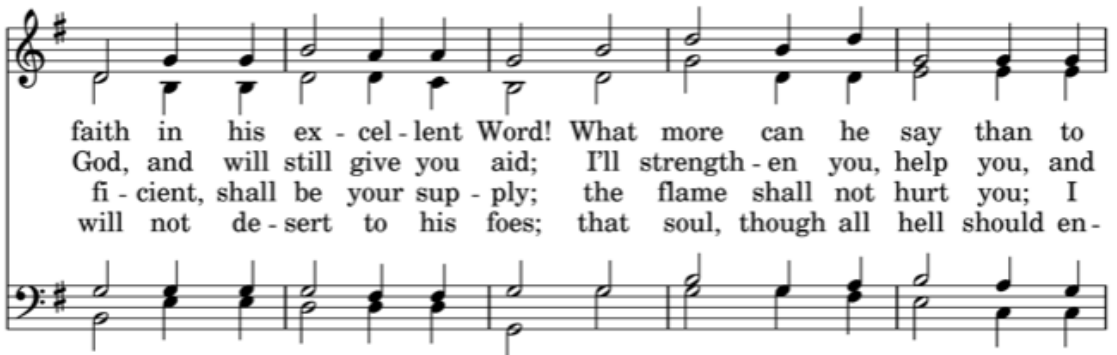
## Sermon | God Is with Us

Pastor Noah Despinasse

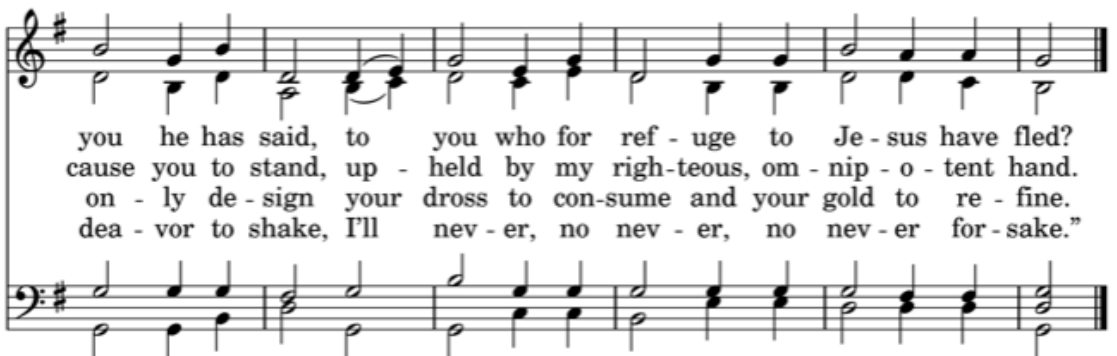
\* How Firm a Foundation-Trinity Hymnal No. 94 (vv. 1, 2, 4, 6)



1. How firm a foun-da-tion, you saints of the Lord, is laid for your  
 2. "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed; for I am your  
 4. "When through fi-ery tri-als your path-way shall lie, my grace, all-suf-  
 6. "The soul that on Je-sus has leaned for re- pose, I will not, I



faith in his ex-cel-lent Word! What more can he say than to  
 God, and will still give you aid; I'll strength-en you, help you, and  
 fi-cient, shall be your sup-ply; the flame shall not hurt you; I  
 will not de-sert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should en-



you he has said, to you who for ref-uge to Je-sus have fled?  
 cause you to stand, up-held by my righ-teous, om-nip-o-tent hand.  
 on-ly de-sign your dross to con-sume and your gold to re-fine.  
 dea-vor to shake, I'll nev-er, no nev-er, no nev-er for-sake."

TEXT: Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787; alt.; Mod.

TUNE: (FOUNDATIUN II.II.II.II.): Traditional American melody; J Funk's *A Compilation of Genuine Church Music*, 1832

## \* Sending

Elders will be available to pray with you in the front of the sanctuary at the conclusion of the worship service.

Josh Johnson will begin preaching October 5th.

Ben Church will preach October 12th as a part of the Missions Focused weekend.

## \* Benediction | Romans 15:13 (NIV)

*Leader: May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

## \* Postlude

### **Serving This Morning:**

Updates, Liturgist and Pastoral Prayer: Keith Boland

Reader: Frances McFarland

Musicians: Esther Baarendse, Butch Bost, Vicki Bowles, Tim McConnell, Don Parker, Josiah Rogers, and David Stephenson

Audio/visual and livestream: Tod Shafer, Myles Coleridge

## Faith Promise Giving:

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

Through the end of August 2025:

General Fund transfer to missions	\$20,000
Carryover for Outreach Committee	\$20,500
Faith Promise Giving:	\$13,633
Missions Disbursements	\$30,168

## Stewardship

Through the end of August 2025:

Budget FYTD	\$191,044
Received FYTD	\$214,193
Expenditures FYTD	\$189,798

## 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.

Visit [lexpreschurch.com/connect](https://lexpreschurch.com/connect) or scan the QR code to fill out our Connect Card!

If you're not familiar with QR codes, we're here to help!



1. Open your smartphone's camera and point it at the QR code so that it shows clearly on your screen.
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Women's Ministry website and Facebook group:

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

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

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You're Invited  
Installation Service  
for Pastor Josh Johnson  
October 26, 2025 | 4:00pm  
reception following



Missions Focused Weekend  
with the Church family  
October 10-12



**Friday**  
Family Dinner | 6:00 – 7:30 pm | Tomlin Hall  
**Saturday**  
Men's Breakfast | 7:30 – 9:00 am | Tomlin Hall  
Ladies' Lunch | 12:00 – 2:00 pm | Tomlin Hall  
**Sunday**  
Ben Church preaching | 10:00 worship  
Registration required for all meals



Join us for a Churchwide  
Reformation Celebration  
Wednesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> | 5:30 - 7:30pm  
Dinner and Activities for  
children and adults  
Wear your Medieval Costumes



**Flu season is upon us. Flu vaccines provided by Kroger Pharmacy will be available Wednesday, Oct 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:30pm in the Welcome Center. Kroger will bill Medicare and most insurance.**





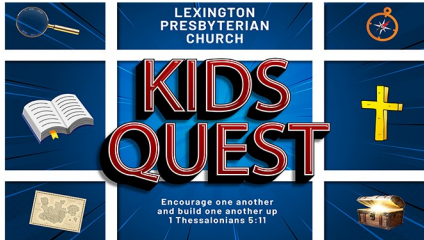
midweek reset  
wednesdays at 5:30pm  
please register



## Children's Ministry Volunteers Needed

Children's Desk | 9:45 - 11:15 am  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every odd month  
One Adult or a Couple

Email Rebecca Becker  
at [rbecker@lexpreschurch.com](mailto:rbecker@lexpreschurch.com)



Wednesday  
Nights  
6:15-7:30 pm



Midweek Reset Small Group  
Wednesday | 6:30-7:30 pm  
In the Parlor

# 1 Samuel

Join us as we walk through the book of  
1 Samuel with Charles Brant.  
We begin with God's Word and  
close with prayer for each other.  
Come as you are | we'd be delighted to have you with us!

New Wednesday Class  
"Developing a Lifestyle of Evangelism"  
Wednesdays | 6:15-7:15 pm | Rm 213  
with John Thompson and Alex Weatherly



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