

THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

LEXINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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The real trouble is that 'kindness' is a quality fatally easy to attribute to ourselves on quite inadequate grounds. Everyone feels benevolent if nothing happens to be annoying him at the moment. Thus a man easily comes to console himself for all his other vices by a conviction that 'his heart's in the right place' and 'he wouldn't hurt a fly,' though in fact he has never made the slightest sacrifice for a fellow creature. We think we are kind when we are only happy: it is not so easy, on the same grounds, to imagine oneself temperate, chaste, or humble.

— CS Lewis

A clear conscience is the sure sign of a bad memory.

— Mark Twain

Wisdom is the right use of knowledge. To know is not to be wise. Many men know a great deal, and are all the greater fools for it. There is no fool so great a fool as a knowing fool.

— Charles Spurgeon

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 111:1

*Leader: Praise the LORD!
I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.*

 CONGREGATION, PLEASE STAND IF ABLE

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

1. Come, thou Al - might - y King, help us Thy name to sing,
 2. Come, thou In - car - nate Word, gird on Thy might - y sword;
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred wit - ness bear
 4. To Thee, great One in Three, e - ter - nal prais - es be

help us to praise. Fa - ther, all glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 Our prayer at - tend. Come and Thy peo - ple bless, and give Thy words suc - cess;
 in this glad hour. Thou who al - might - y art, now rule in ev - 'ry heart
 hence ev - er - more. Thy Sov - 'reign maj - es - ty, may we in glo - ry see

come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend. All
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r, and
 and to e - ter - ni - ty, love and a - dore.

Chorus

glo - ry be to the Fa - ther. All glo - ry be to the Son. All

glo - ry be to the Spir - it, the bless - ed three in One.

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Leader: This we pray in the name of the One Who taught us to pray, saying:

All: 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.

BE THOU MY VISION



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,



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!



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



wak - ing 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 vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

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 Irish folk melody
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READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Deuteronomy 11:18—21 | Pew Bible p. 155 | Psalm 119:9—16 | Pew Bible p. 512

You shall therefore lay up these words of mine in your heart and in your soul, and you shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall teach them to your children, talking of them when you are sitting in your house, and when you are walking by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates, that your days and the days of your children may be multiplied in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers to give them, as long as the heavens are above the earth.

How can a young man keep his way pure?

By guarding it according to your word.

With my whole heart I seek you;

let me not wander from your commandments!

I have stored up your word in my heart,

that I might not sin against you.

Blessed are you, O LORD;

teach me your statutes!

With my lips I declare

all the rules of your mouth.

In the way of your testimonies I delight

as much as in all riches.

I will meditate on your precepts

and fix my eyes on your ways.

I will delight in your statutes;

I will not forget your word.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION | Jeremiah 17:9—10

*Leader: The heart is deceitful above all things,
 and desperately sick;
 who can understand it?
 “I the LORD search the heart
 and test the mind,
 to give every man according to his ways,
 according to the fruit of his deeds.”*

CORPORATE CONFESSION

All: Holy God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
 We have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
 We have followed too much the devices and desires of our hearts.
 We have rebelled against your holy laws.
 We have left undone those things which we ought to have done;
 and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;
 therefore we lack integrity.
 Now, O Lord, have mercy upon us.
 Forgive our sins and grant us the gift of repentance.
 By your grace, train us to live godly, righteous,
 and sober lives in the power of the Holy Spirit.

PERSONAL CONFESSION

Leader: Lord, hear us now as we confess our personal sins.

 **WORDS OF COMFORT** | 1 John 2:12

*Leader: I am writing to you, little children,
because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake.*

 **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** | Ezekiel 36

*Leader: I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries
and bring you into your own land. 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.*

**All: 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.**

*Leader: And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be
careful to obey my rules.*

**All: You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my
people, and I will be your God.**

MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN

VERSES



1.My worth is not in what I own; not in the strength of flesh and
 (3.As) sum - mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame, youth and beau - ty hur - ry



bone. But in the cost - ly wounds of love at the cross. 2.My
 by. But life e - ter - nal calls to us at the cross. 4.I



worth is not in skill or name; in win or lose, in pride or
 will not boast in wealth or might, or hu - man wis - dom's fleet - ing



shame. But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.
 light. But I will boast in know - ing Christ at the cross.

CHORUS



I re-joyce in my Re - deem - er. Great-est treas - ure, well-spring of my soul.



I will trust in Him, no oth - er; my soul is sat-is-fied in Him a - lone. 3.As



2.
 5.Two won-ders here that I con - fess: my worth and my un - wor - thi -



ness. My val - ue fixed, my ran - som paid at the cross. [After Verse 5 Repeat Chorus]

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GIVING OF FIRSTFRUITS

THE HEAVENS DECLARE THY GLORY



1. The heav-ens de-clare Thy glo - ry, the fir - ma - ment Thy pow'r,
(2. The) sun with roy - al splen - dor goes forth to chant Thy praise, and
(3. How) per - fect just and ho - ly the pre - cepts Thou hast giv'n; still



day un - to day the sto - ry re - peats from hour to hour;
moon - beams soft and ten - der, their gent - ler an - thems raise;
mak - ing wise the low - ly, they lift the thoughts to heav'n; how



night un - to night re - ply - ing, pro - claims in ev - 'ry land, O
o'er ev - 'ry tribe and na - tion the mu - sic strange is poured, the
pure, how soul re - stor - ing Thy Gos - pel's heav'n - ly ray, a



Lord, with voice un - dy - ing, the won - ders of Thy hand. 2. The
song of all cre - a - tion, to Thee, cre - a - tion's Lord. 3. How
bright - er ra - diance pour - ing than noon of bright - est day.



4. All heav-en on high re - joic - es to do its Mak - er's



will; the stars with sol - emn voice - es re - sound Thy prais - es still;



so let my whole be - hav - ior, thoughts, words, and ac - tions be, O



Lord, my Strength, my Sav - ior, one cease - less song to thee.

DOXOLOGY

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.

PASSING THE PEACE

Greet one another with words of peace and reconciliation.

The "passing of the peace" plays a significant role in our liturgy. It precedes our coming to the Lord's Table because this sacrament manifests and celebrates our unity in Christ as one body. 1 Corinthians 11:18-19 implores us not to let factions and divisions remain in our midst. Thus, the peace calls us to move toward our brothers and sisters as Christ moves toward us in reconciling grace and mutual love.

CORPORATE PRAYER

HEARING GOD'S WORD

READING FROM THE GOSPELS | Luke 6:37—49 | Pew Bible pp. 861—862

Judge not, and you will not be judged; condemn not, and you will not be condemned; forgive, and you will be forgiven; ³⁸ give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you.

³⁹ He also told them a parable: “Can a blind man lead a blind man? Will they not both fall into a pit? ⁴⁰ A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will be like his teacher. ⁴¹ Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? ⁴² How can you say to your brother, ‘Brother, let me take out the speck that is in your eye,’ when you yourself do not see the log that is in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother's eye.

⁴³ For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit, ⁴⁴ for each tree is known by its own fruit. For figs are not gathered from thornbushes, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. ⁴⁵ The good person out of the good treasure of his heart produces good, and the evil person out of his evil treasure produces evil, for out of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaks.

⁴⁶ Why do you call me ‘Lord, Lord,’ and not do what I tell you? ⁴⁷ Everyone who comes to me and hears my words and does them, I will show you what he is like: ⁴⁸ he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid the foundation on the rock. And when a flood arose, the stream broke against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. ⁴⁹ But the one who hears and does not do them is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation. When the stream broke against it, immediately it fell, and the ruin of that house was great.

*Leader: All flesh is grass,
and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.*

**All: The grass withers, the flower fades
but the word of our God will stand forever.**

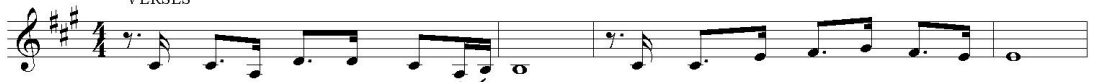
SERMON | WHAT'S IN YOUR HEART?

REV. JOSH JOHNSON

NOTES:

THE LORD IS MY SALVATION

VERSES



1. The grace of God has reached for me, and pulled me from the rag - ing sea.
 2. I will not fear when dark - ness falls, His strength will help me scale these walls.
 3. My hope is hid - den in the Lord, He flow'rs each prom - ise of His Word.
 4. In times of wait - ing, times of _ need, when I know loss, when I am weak.
 5. And when I reach the fi - nal day, He will not leave me in the grave.

Vs 5 - Use higher notes



And I am safe on this sol - id ground. The Lord is my sal - va - tion. *[to Verse 2]*
 I'll see the dawn of the ris - ing sun: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. *[to Chorus]*
 When win - ter fades, I know spring will come: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. *[to Verse 4]*
 I know His grace will re - new these days: The Lord is my sal - va - tion. *[to Chorus]*
 But I will rise, He will call me home; The Lord is my sal - va - tion. *[to Chorus]*

CHORUS



Who is like the _ Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My

[Sing higher notes after vs 5]



debt is paid and the vic - t'ry won; The Lord is my sal - va - tion. *[to Verse 3]*
[to Verse 5]
[continues after v.5] Glo - ry

BRIDGE



be to God, the Fa - ther, glo - ry be to God, the Son, _ glo - ry



be to God, the Spir - it; _ The Lord is our sal - va - tion. Glo - ry tion, the



Lord is our sal - va - tion, the Lord is our sal - va - tion. _____

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🌐 **BENEDICTION** | 2 Corinthians 13:14

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

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

RESOURCES USED FOR STUDY IN LUKE:

Luke, Focus on the Bible Commentary, Dale Ralph Davis

Luke, Baker Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament, Darrell L. Bock

Luke, Zondervan Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament, David E. Garland

Echoes of Scripture in the Gospels, Richard B. Hays

Reading Luke: Interpretation, Reflection, Formation, Scripture and Hermeneutics Series, eds. Bartholomew, Green, and Thiselton

A Theology of Luke-Acts, Darrell L. Bock

From Adam and Israel to the Church, Benjamin Gladd

Luke, New International Commentary on the New Testament, Joel B. Green

Luke, New International Greek Testament Commentary, I. Howard Marshall

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SUNDAYS AT LEXINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday School 8:45 - 9:30 am

Gathered Worship 10 am

Nursery provided for age 2

Children's Church provided for ages 3 and 4

Adult Sunday School Communities

Foundations | room 204, *20s to 40s*

Christ in the Home | room 201, *40s to 60s*

Christ in Culture | Tomlin Hall, *50s to 70s*

Christ in the Word | Parlor, *60s and above*

Ladies Class | room 202, *50s and above*

Children

Nursery, age 1 and under | room 105

Ages 2-3 | room 106

Ages 4-5 | room 103

Grades 1-2 | room 206

Grades 3-4 | room 209

Grade 5 | room 205

Youth

Middle School | room 212

High School | Youth Room

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.

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 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.
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>

Youth Ministry Newsletter Subscription

Please scan this QR Code with your phone camera.



Inquirer's Class

Learn more about LPC's mission and how you can be part of our community!

Sunday, March 15th, 22nd & 29th
8:45 - 9:30 am | room 213

*Lunch after worship
on March 29th*



Register now!



YOU'RE INVITED



**Saturday, March 28th
9:30-11:00 am
at Gibson Pond Park
Main Shelter**

- **Easter Presentation**
- **Egg Hunts**
- **Snacks and Fellowship**

**Come and celebrate
what Jesus has done for us**



Register Children Here

**Please donate
individually wrapped candy
and small toys
to fill eggs for the egg hunt!
Bins at Tomlin Lobby & Children's Desk**

Holy Week

Palm Sunday

March 29th | Sunday School 8:45 am | Worship 10:00 am

Maundy Thursday

April 2nd | 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Good Friday

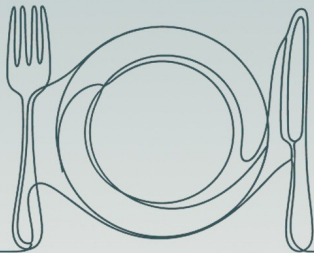
April 3rd | 6:30 - 8:00 pm | Icehouse Amphitheater

Easter Sunday

April 5th | Worship 10:00 am

Fifth Sunday
March 29th

Covered-Dish Lunch
after Worship



Cost is \$4/person with \$16 family max
Registration is not required
Pay at the door* or prepay below

March 11th menu: Chipotle Bowls

*debit/credit cards accepted



Thank you to all
who helped make our
2026 Lexington Community
Health and Safety Fair
a success!



As Iron Sharpens Iron so One Person Sharpens Another
Men's Breakfast

Saturday, March 28th | 7:30-8:30 am | Tomlin Hall

*Join us as we seek opportunities
to grow in grace and encourage
each other in the same manner*
Please register →



All Women are invited to Circle One in Love
March 9th | 9:30am - noon

Ruth Adam will lead a devotional on
"The Golden Chain"

Prayer time | Irish Trivia contest
Irish Potato Luncheon will follow

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