



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

LEXINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 11, 2026

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

"One sure method for a patient spirit is to expect little from this world, and to be ever waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

— J. C. Ryle (1816-1900)

"No man will commit his soul into the hands of God in a right manner, unless he has learned to live from day to day constantly prepared to die."

— John Calvin

"The miseries of Jerusalem grew worse and worse every day...the very view itself of the country was a melancholy thing; for those places which were before adorned with trees and pleasant gardens were now become a desolate country...

The holy house was burnt down...

The flame was also carried a long way, one would have thought the whole city had been on fire.

...

"Neither its antiquity, nor its deep wealth, nor the great fame of its worship, availed at all to save it from destruction."

— Flavius Josephus, The Jewish War, Book VI

LITURGY OF THE WORD



CALL TO WORSHIP

Keith Boland

Psalm 98:4-6

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

- ⁵ Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre,
with the lyre and the sound of melody!
- ⁶ With trumpets and the sound of the horn
make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

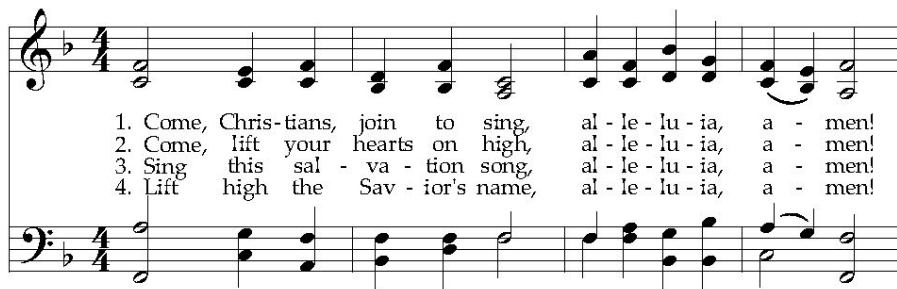


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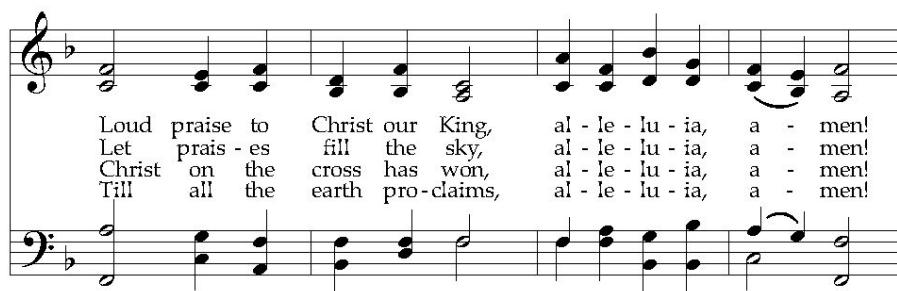


HYMN OF ADORATION

Come, Christians, Join to Sing



1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 3. Sing this sal - va - tion song, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 4. Lift high the Sav - ior's name, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!



Loud praise to Christ our King, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 Let prais - es fill the sky, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 Christ on the cross has won, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 Till all the earth pro - claims, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!



Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - joice;
 He who made all things well formed us his praise to tell;
 Praise we the ris - en Lord; come, run through mer - cy's door;
 Let now the gos - pel ring, Christ for the world we sing;



praise is his gra - cious choice, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 hear now the an - them swell, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 loved, res - cued, and re - stored, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!
 the world to Christ we bring, al - le - lu - ia, a - men!

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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.*

READING FROM THE PROPHETS

Maryjo Zuebert

Joel 2:28-32 | Pew Bible pg. 762

And it shall come to pass afterward,
that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh;
your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
your old men shall dream dreams,
and your young men shall see visions.

²⁹ Even on the male and female servants
in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

³⁰ "And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and
columns of smoke. ³¹ The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood,
before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ³² And it shall come to pass
that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion
and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among
the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Mark 1:15

... and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.

CORPORATE CONFESSION

*All: Most Merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against You
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved You with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
Grant us a holy grief that honors You.
Move us to genuine repentance for Your Name's sake.
For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in Your will,
and walk in Your ways, Amen.*

PERSONAL CONFESSION

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



WORDS OF COMFORT

Romans 10:9

... because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.



CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Larger Catechism: Number 56

Leader: How is Christ to be exalted in his coming again to judge the world?

All: I believe Christ is to be exalted in his coming again to judge the world, in that he, who was unjustly judged and condemned by wicked men, shall come again at the last day in great power, and in the full manifestation of his own glory, and of his Father's, with all his holy angels, with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet of God, to judge the world in righteousness.



HYMN OF MERCY

How Sweet and Aweful is the Place

1. How sweet and awe - ful is the place with
 2. While all our hearts and all our songs join
 3. "Why was I made to hear thy voice, and
 4. 'Twas the same love that spread the feast that
 5. Pit - y the na - tions, O our God, con -
 6. We long to see thy church - es full, that

Christ with - in the doors, while ev - er - last - ing
 to ad - mire the feast, each of us cry, with
 en - ter while there's room, when thou - sands make a
 sweet - ly drew us in; else we had still re -
 strain the earth to come; send thy vic - to - rious
 all the cho - sen race may, with one voice and

love dis - plays the choic - est of her stores.
 thank - ful tongues, "Lord, why was I a guest?"
 wretch - ed choice, and rath - er starve than come?"
 fused to taste, and per - ished in our sin.
 word a - broad, and bring the stang - ers home.
 heart and soul, sing thy re - deem - ing grace.

"How Sweet and Aweful Is the Place"

Words: Isaac Watts, 1707, alt.

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GIVING OF FIRSTFRUITS AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me

1. What gift of grace is Je - sus, my Re - dee - mer; there is no
 2. The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en, for by my
 3. No fate I dread; I know I am for - giv - en; the fu - ture
 4. With ev - 'ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus, for he has

more for hea - ven now to give. He is my joy, my righ - teous - ness and
 side, the Sav - ior, he will stay. I lab - or on in weak - ness and re -
 sure, the price, it has been paid. For Je - sus bled and suf - fered for my
 said that he will bring me home. And day by day I know he will re -

free - dom, my stead - fast love, my deep and bound - less peace.
 joic - ing, for in my need his pow - er is dis - played.
 par - don, and he was raised to o - ver - throw the grave.
 new me un - til I stand with joy be - fore the throne.

To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus, for my life is
 To this I hold: my Shep - herd will de - fend me; through the deep - est
 To this I hold: my sin has been de - fea - ted; Je - sus now and
 To this I hold: my hope is on - ly Je - sus; all the glo - ry

whol - ly bound to his. Oh, how strange and di - vine, I can
 val - ley he will lead. Oh, the night has been won, and I
 ev - er is my plea. Oh, the chains are re - leased, I can
 ev - er - more to him. When the race is com - plete, still my

sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 shall o - ver - come! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.
 lips shall re - peat: yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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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 OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you

Leader: 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



READING FROM THE GOSPELS

Luke 21:5-38 | Pew Bible pg. 880

And while some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, he said, ⁶“As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” ⁷ And they asked him, “Teacher, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?” ⁸ And he said, “See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and, ‘The time is at hand!’ Do not go after them. ⁹ And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once.”

¹⁰ Then he said to them, “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹ There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹² But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name’s sake. ¹³ This will be your opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴ Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵ for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶ You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷ You will be hated by all for my name’s sake. ¹⁸ But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹ By your endurance you will gain your lives.

²⁰ “But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. ²¹ Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, ²² for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. ²³ Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. ²⁴ They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

²⁵ “And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶ people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷ And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸ Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads,

because your redemption is drawing near.”

²⁹ And he told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree, and all the trees. ³⁰ As soon as they come out in leaf, you see for yourselves and know that the summer is already near. ³¹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. ³² Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all has taken place. ³³ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³⁴ “But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵ For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

³⁷ And every day he was teaching in the temple, but at night he went out and lodged on the mount called Olivet. ³⁸ And early in the morning all the people came to him in the temple to hear him.

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.

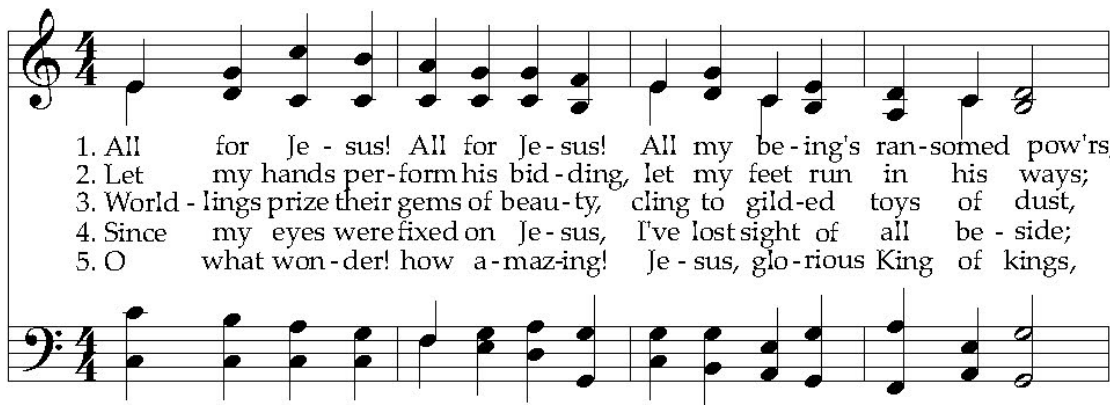
SERMON | LIFT UP YOUR HEADS — LIVING IN LIGHT OF CHRIST’S RETURN

Tyler Josephson



HYMN OF RESPONSE

All For Jesus



1. All for Je - sus! All for Je - sus! All my be - ing's ran - somed pow'rs
 2. Let my hands per - form his bid - ding, let my feet run in his ways;
 3. World - lings prize their gems of beau - ty, cling to gild - ed toys of dust,
 4. Since my eyes were fixed on Je - sus, I've lost sight of all be - side;
 5. O what won - der! how a - maz - ing! Je - sus, glo - rious King of kings,



all my thoughts and words and do - ings, all my days and all my hours.
 let my eyes see Je - sus on - ly, let my lips speak forth his praise.
 boast of wealth and fame and plea - sure; on - ly Je - sus will I trust.
 so en - chained my spir - it's vi - sion, look - ing at the Cru - ci - fied.
 deigns to call me his be - lov - ed, lets me rest be - neath his wings.

"All for Jesus," Words: Mary D. James, 1871
 Tune (WYCLIFF): John Stainer, 1887
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BENEDICTION

2 Corinthians 13:14

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

STEWARDSHIP

Through the end of August 2026:

Budget FYTD	\$200,580
Received FYTD	\$214,804
Expenditures FYTD	\$198,138

FAITH PROMISE

Through the end of August 2026:

General Fund transfer to missions	\$21,666
Faith Promise Giving:	\$13,751
Missions Disbursements	\$30,880

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

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SUNDAYS @ LPC

Sunday School 8:45 - 9:30 am

Gathered Worship 10 am

Nursery provided for age 2 and under

Children's Church provided for ages 3 and 4

Adult Sunday School Communities

Young Pros, 20s to young 30s | room 213

Foundations, 30s to 40s | room 204

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

Christ in Culture, 50s and above | Tomlin Hall

Servants of the King, 60s and above | Parlor

Ladies Class, all ages | room 202

Children

Nursery, age 1 and under | room 105

Age 2 | room 104

Age 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 and High School | room 212

WEDNESDAYS @ LPC

Midweek Reset Schedule

Menu: Baked Ziti

Dinner	5:15 PM	If you will be arriving after 6 PM, please text Amy Brady at 864.941.6548 so we can have a “to-go plate” ready for you!
Nursery available	6:00–7:15 PM	
Adult Studies	6:15–7:15 PM	
Kids Quest	6:15–7:15 PM	Children may be checked in starting at 6:00 pm to begin Kids Quest activities!
Youth	6:15–7:30 PM	
Choir	6:15-7:15 PM	We meet in the Sanctuary. New members are always welcome!
Fellowship	7:15 PM	We desire to have intentional fellowship—to know and be known—across generations. After the studies finish, many folks will go outside to the playground area to enjoy time together, so linger with us as we grow in community!

Adult Studies

All Adults — Being (Truly) Human in God’s Kingdom | Tomlin Hall

Does my life matter? Many Christians spend much of their lives in and around “the church” and can even provide a basic answer to the question, “What is the church?” But many of us struggle to answer the question “how do we be the church?” in any meaningful way that includes the normal rhythms of our lives. This Wednesday night study and discussion will help us see that our lives as humans matter deeply to God and that He has called us, as humans united to Christ Jesus, to His mission of renewal, restoration, and salvation as His partners in the world.

Women’s Bible Study — What’s SHE Doing Here? The Messy Women in Jesus’s Genealogy
Room 204

LPC Chili Cook-off

The air is crisp, and it's time to pull out recipes that warm us from the inside out:

Wednesday, October 21st @ 5:30

Do you make the best chili?

Use the link below to sign up.

"Expert" judges will determine the winners!

Bring your crock pot to Tomlin Hall for a night of tasting, visiting, and voting.



Reformation Celebration

October 25th
4-7pm

Everyone is invited

- Dinner theater
- Fun activities
- Gifts for the kids and more



Operation Christmas Child



IT'S ALL ABOUT
JESUS!

**Pick up shoe boxes
in the Welcome Center
Drop off filled boxes
by November 15th**



LPC Fall 2026

Baby Bottle Campaign

Please help support our
local mission partner
LaVie Pregnancy
Care Center
by loading a baby bottle with
loose change, cash or a check!
Stop by our table in the
Welcome Center
We will collect filled bottles
during the month of October



We will celebrate the **Lord's Supper** Sunday, October 18th

Please prayerfully
prepare for our
meeting with Jesus
at His table.



February 26-28, 2027



Care Ministry Fall Schedule

Blood Drive..... October 14th | 1:00 - 6:00pm
Welcome Center

CPR Class.....October 17th | 9:00am - noon
\$25/person | Tomlin Hall



To register for either of these
events scan the QR code

Audio/Video Volunteers Needed

This is a great way to get involved
in the worship ministry of LPC.
We'd love to have you join our team
whether you have experience or not
(we'll train you).

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