



THE LORD'S DAY IN WORSHIP

LEXINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

OCTOBER 18, 2026

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

And the angel said to me, "Write this:

Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb."

And he said to me, "These are the true words of God."

— Revelation 19:9

Man invented cooking before he thought of nutrition. To be sure, food keeps us alive, but that is only its smallest and most temporary work. Its eternal purpose is to furnish our sensibilities against the day when we shall sit down at the heavenly banquet and see how gracious the Lord is. Nourishment is necessary only for a while; what we shall need forever is taste.

— Robert Farrar Capon

The communion meal reorients life by relocating us in the story told by the Word. Instead of being defined by the stories of our culture, we live as participants in God's story. And the meal points to the goal: eating in the presence of God as a celebration of his generosity in creation and salvation. We anticipate this in every meal, but especially in the Lord's supper.

— Tim Chester

LITURGY OF THE WORD



CALL TO WORSHIP

John Thompson

Psalm 100:4-5

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

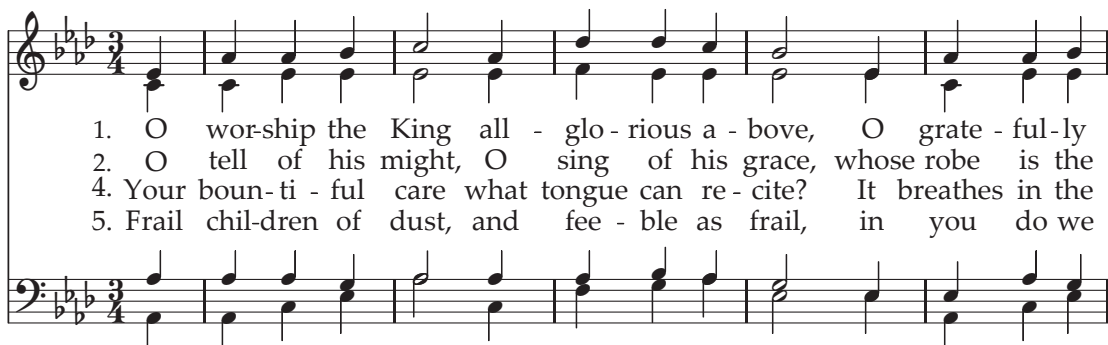
⁵ For the LORD is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.



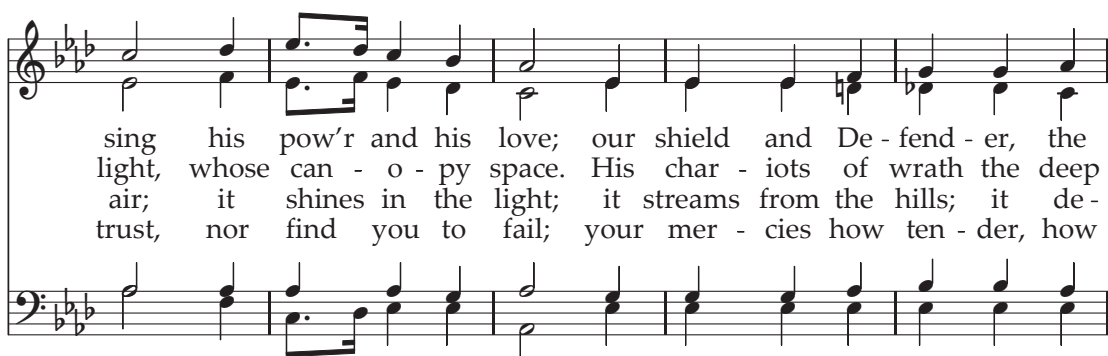
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HYMN OF ADORATION

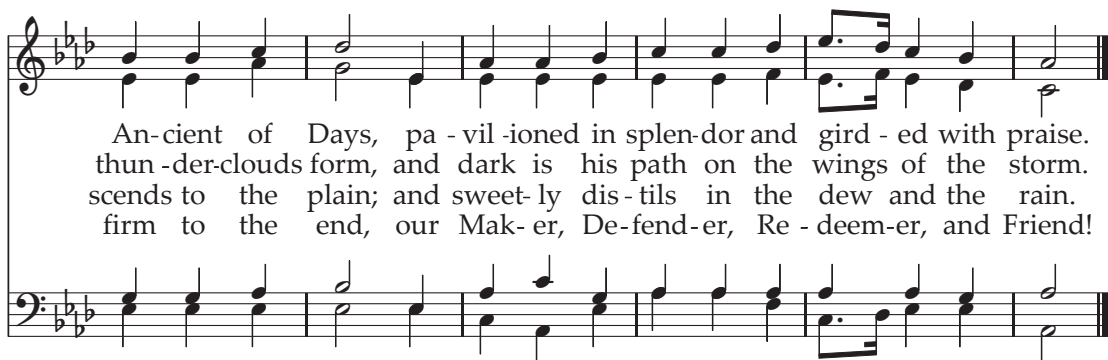
O Worship the King



1. O wor-ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful-ly
2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the
4. Your boun-ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the
5. Frail chil-dren of dust, and fee - ble as frail, in you do we



sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De - fend - er, the
light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep
air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de -
trust, nor find you to fail; your mer - cies how ten - der, how



An-cient of Days, pa - vil-ioned in splen-dor and gird - ed with praise.
thun-der-clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.
scends to the plain; and sweet-ly dis-tils in the dew and the rain.
firm to the end, our Mak - er, De-fend-er, Re - deem-er, and Friend!

"O Worship the King," *Trinity Hymnal*, No. 2, vv. 1, 2, 4, 5

TEXT: Based on Psalm 104; Robert Grant, 1833; Mod.

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RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 23

Leader: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

All: *He makes me lie down in green pastures.
He leads me beside still waters.*

Leader: He restores my soul.
He leads me in paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

All: *Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.*

Leader: You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

All: *Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD
forever.*



PRAYER OF INVOCATION

READING FROM THE PENTATEUCH

Kim Denney

Exodus 6:1–8 | Pew Bible pg. 48

But the LORD said to Moses, “Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh; for with a strong hand he will send them out, and with a strong hand he will drive them out of his land.”

² God spoke to Moses and said to him, “I am the LORD. ³ I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name the LORD I did not make myself known to them. ⁴ I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they lived as sojourners. ⁵ Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. ⁶ Say therefore to the people of Israel, ‘I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. ⁷ I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. ⁸ I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the LORD.’”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: *Thanks be to God.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

Acts 3:19

Repent therefore, and turn back, that your sins may be blotted out...

CORPORATE CONFESSION

*All: Almighty God, Maker of all things,
have mercy upon us and forgive us our sins.
We have wandered from your ways like lost sheep.
We have followed our own hearts.
We have plugged our ears trying to avoid you.
Please forgive our rebellion, our stubbornness,
and all our excuses.
Forgive us in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ,
who loved us, pursued us, and died in our place.*

PERSONAL CONFESSION

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



WORDS OF COMFORT

1 John 4:16

So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and whoever abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him.



HYMN OF MERCY

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

1. The King of love, my Shep - herd is whose
 2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my
 3. Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, but
 4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill with
 5. Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight, Thy
 6. And so through all the length of days, Thy

good - ness fail - eth nev - er. I noth - ing lack if I am
 ran - somed soul He lead - eth. And where the ver - dant pas - tures
 yet in love He sought me. And on His shoul - der gent - ly
 Thee, dear Lord be - side me. Thy rod and staff, my com - fort
 Spir - it grace be - stow - eth. And O what pleas - ures of de -
 good - ness fail - eth nev - er. Good Shep - herd, may I sing Thy

Refrain

His and He is mine for - ev - er. [to verse 2]
 grow with food so heav - 'nly feed - eth. [to verse 3]
 laid and home re - joic - ing brought me. [to Refrain] Sing praise for a
 still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me. [to verse 5]
 light from Thy pure cup o'er - flow - eth. [to Refrain]
 praise with - in Thy house for - ev - er.

love that knows no end to Christ who died for sin. For

He will all your wrongs for - give, the King of love, my Shep - herd is.

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GIVING OF FIRSTFRUITS AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

My Soul Will Wait (Psalm 62)



1. When the en - e - my sur - rounds and my heart grows faint with -
2. You're my strong - hold and my shield, in the midst of ev - 'ry
3. This is love I can't ex - plain, this is mer - cy un - re -



in, when the dark - ness o - ver - whelms and my fears are
threat; though the wick - ed nev - er yield, they will van - ish
served, through your sac - ri - fice so great I have peace that's



press - ing in, I will trust in you, O Lord. In the
like a breath. Yes, I know the out - come's sure, Sa - tan's
un - de - served. For the bat - tle has been won, and I



si - lence I will wait, I will stand up - on your word.
e - vil plans will fail, in your pow - er I'm se - cure.
fear no shame or loss, now the sting of death is gone.

"My Soul Will Wait"

Words & Music: Keaton Bunting, Bob Kauflin

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You're my sol - id rock and my sal - va - tion, my stead - fast hope that
You're my com - fort when I feel for - sa - ken, my re - fuge and my



won't be shak - en; my soul will wait, my soul will wait for you. (1st time to st. 2)
sure sal - va - tion; my soul will wait, my soul will wait for you.



Ending (sung twice)

Pour - ing out our hearts be - fore you, we will trust in you.



Per - fect Sav - ior, strong de - fen - der, we will trust in you.



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 22:1-23 | Pew Bible pg. 881

Now the Feast of Unleavened Bread drew near, which is called the Passover. ² And the chief priests and the scribes were seeking how to put him to death, for they feared the people.

³ Then Satan entered into Judas called Iscariot, who was of the number of the twelve.

⁴ He went away and conferred with the chief priests and officers how he might betray him to them. ⁵ And they were glad, and agreed to give him money. ⁶ So he consented and sought an opportunity to betray him to them in the absence of a crowd.

⁷ Then came the day of Unleavened Bread, on which the Passover lamb had to be sacrificed. ⁸ So Jesus sent Peter and John, saying, "Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat it." ⁹ They said to him, "Where will you have us prepare it?"

¹⁰ He said to them, "Behold, when you have entered the city, a man carrying a jar of water will meet you. Follow him into the house that he enters ¹¹ and tell the master of the house, 'The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I may eat the Passover with my disciples?' ¹² And he will show you a large upper room furnished; prepare it there." ¹³ And they went and found it just as he had told them, and they prepared the Passover.

¹⁴ And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. ¹⁵ And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.

¹⁶ For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." ¹⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves. ¹⁸ For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." ¹⁹ And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁰ And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. ²¹ But behold, the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. ²² For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!" ²³ And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

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 | A TABLE SPREAD IN THE PRESENCE OF ENEMIES

Rev. Josh Johnson

NOTES

LITURGY OF THE TABLE

WORDS OF INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

We come to Your table, Lord Jesus,
not trusting in our own righteousness, but in Your rich mercies.
We are not worthy, O Great King,
to gather up the crumbs under Your table,
yet You are the King of mercy.
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, in this breaking of bread,
a rich participation in Your body,
and in this cup, a stronger grasp of Your grace,
that by Your Spirit, we may commune with You and You with us.
Amen.

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION 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.*

INVITATION AND FEASTING AT THE TABLE OF THE KING

 **COMMUNION HYMN**

We Will Feast in the House of Zion



We will feast in the house of Zi-on; we will sing with our



hearts re-stored. He has done great things, we will say to- geth- er;



we will feast and weep no more.

1. We will not be burned
2. In the dark of night
3. Ev - 'ry vow we've bro-



by the fire; he is the Lord our God.
be-fore the dawn, my soul, be not a-fraid.
ken and be-trayed, you are the Faith-ful One.



We are not con - sumed by the flood;
For the prom-ised morn - ing, oh, how long?
And from the gar - den to the grave,



up - held, pro - tect - ed, gath - ered up.
O God of Ja - cob, be my strength.
bind us to - geth - er, bring sha - lom.

"We Will Feast in the House of Zion", Word & Music: Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore
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BENEDICTION

Ephesians 3:17-19

...so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, ¹⁸ may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, ¹⁹ and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

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 September 2026:

Budget FYTD	\$300,870
Received FYTD	\$292,727
Expenditures FYTD	\$294,032

FAITH PROMISE

Through the end of September 2026:

General Fund transfer to missions	\$32,499
Faith Promise Giving:	\$21,041
Missions Disbursements	\$50,195

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

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

We are excited for our Wednesday evening activities to resume in two weeks on **September 9th**! Our hope is that Wednesdays will be like a “family gathering” where we share a feast at the table, enjoy cross-generational fellowship, and grow in practical theology — living faithfully for King Jesus in all spheres of life.

Midweek Reset Schedule

Dinner	5:15 PM	<i>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!</i>
Nursery available	6:00–7:15 PM	
Adult Studies	6:15–7:15 PM	
Choir Practice	6:15–7:30 PM	<i>Meets in the Parlor</i>
Kids Quest	6:15–7:15 PM	<i>Children may be checked in starting at 6:00 pm to begin Kids Quest activities!</i>
Youth	6:15–7:30 PM	
Fellowship	7:15 PM	<i>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!</i>

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

Hey folks! As the weather threatens to cool down, we are heating things up with a Chili Cookoff! We will have our spicy competition this **Wednesday, October 21st @ 5:30pm** in place of our normal Wednesday activities. Grab a friend (or two!) and **register** together to enter your **BEST** recipe, and you can even add a cheesy name to your chili!

There will be an excellent group of judges who will put their mouths on the line to award 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes.

But the biggest prize of all will go to the **People's Choice** — the chili that receives the most votes from you, the people!

Register your chili now and prepare for an amazing evening that is sure to be full of fun and laughter! Sign up for setup and cleanup here too!



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





Volunteer Needs

Nursery

1st Sunday: Odd months
(plus one 5th Sunday per year,
7 times total per year)

Email: Rebeca at rgallegos@lexpreschurch.com

Preschool

3rd Sunday: Odd months
(plus one 5th Sunday per year,
7 times total per year)

Email: Sara at sbaarendse@lexpreschurch.com



February 26-28, 2027

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).

Contact John Parler at
jparler@lexpreschurch.com



Volunteers Needed!

Please consider how you can serve on Sundays

- Greeters
- Scripture Readers
- Coffee Team

Contact Natalia for more information
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