

The Lord's Day

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday
January 22, 2012 — 9:30 & 11:00 a.m.

Please turn off all communication devices
and refrain from bringing beverages into the sanctuary. Thank you.

+ **Prelude** Jason Royal, trumpet; David Friberg, organ

+ **Welcome and greetings** Joe Donnovin, ruling elder

Call to worship Psalm 104:1; Psalm 103:1

Praise the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, you are very great;
you are clothed with splendor and majesty. Praise the Lord,
O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name.

+* **Hymn of worship** "Immortal, Invisible, God" ST. DENIO

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible, hid from our eyes,
most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might,
thy justice like mountains high soaring above
thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all, life thou givest, to both great and small,
in all life thou livest, the true life of all.
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish, but naught changeth thee.

Great God of all glory, great God of all light,
thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight.
We too, God invisible, offer our praise;
O light inaccessible, Ancient of Days!

* **Responsive Psalter reading** Psalm 71:1-16

In you, O LORD, I have taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.
Rescue me and deliver me in your righteousness; turn your ear to me
and save me.

**Be my rock of refuge, to which I can always go; give the command
to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress. Deliver me, O my
God, from the hand of the wicked, from the grasp of evil and cruel
men.**

For you have been my hope, O Sovereign LORD, my confidence
since my youth. From birth I have relied on you; you brought me
forth from my mother's womb. I will ever praise you.

**I have become like a portent to many, but you are my strong
refuge. My mouth is filled with your praise, declaring your splendor
all day long. Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me
when my strength is gone.** (continued)

For my enemies speak against me; those who wait to kill me
conspire together. They say, "God has forsaken him; pursue him and
seize him, for no one will rescue him."

**Be not far from me, O God; come quickly, O my God, to help me.
May my accusers perish in shame; may those who want to harm me
be covered with scorn and disgrace.**

But as for me, I will always have hope; I will praise you more and
more. My mouth will tell of your righteousness, of your salvation all
day long, though I know not its measure.

**I will come and proclaim your mighty acts, O Sovereign LORD;
I will proclaim your righteousness, yours alone.**

+* **Hymn of praise** "O Father, You Are Sovereign" ST. THEODULPH
Hymn 75 vv. 2-4

O Father, you are sovereign in all affairs of man;
No pow'rs of death or darkness can thwart your perfect plan.
All chance and change transcending, supreme in time and space,
You hold your trusting children secure in your embrace.

O Father, you are sovereign the Lord of human pain,
transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heav'nly gain,
all evil overruling, as none but Conqu'ror could,
your love pursues its purpose—our souls' eternal good.

O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now,
but soon before your triumph earth's every knee shall bow.
With this glad hope before us our faith springs forth anew:
our Sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you!

* **Prayer of adoration**

Call to confession Psalm 66:16-20

Come and listen, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me.
I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue. If I had cherished
sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; but God has surely listened and
heard my voice in prayer. Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or
withheld his love from me!

Responsive prayer of confession based on Psalm 51:10-12

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you.
We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not
loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor
as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, or walked
humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your
loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin.

**Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within
us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit
from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with
your bountiful Spirit through Jesus Christ, our Lord.**

silent prayers of confession

+* **Hymn of assurance** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" FAITHFULNESS
Hymn 32 vv. 1, 3

Prayers of intercession

Worship in giving of God's tithe and our offerings

Offertory "The Whole Armor of God" Scott
Chancel Choir — Jim Magnuson, director
Jason Royal, trumpet

Give me, O Christ, the strength that is in thee, that I may stand in every evil
hour; faints my poor heart except to thee I flee, resting my weakness in thy
perfect power.

Give me to see the foes that I must fight, powers of the darkness throned where
thou shouldst reign; read the directings of thy wrath aright, lest, striking flesh
and blood, I strike in vain.

Give me to wear the armor that can guard, over my breast thy blood-bought
righteousness; faith for my shield, when fiery darts rain hard, girded with truth,
and shod with zeal to bless.

Give me to wield the weapon that is sure, taking through prayer thy sword into my
hand, word of thy wisdom, peaceable and pure, so, Christ my conqueror, I shall
conqueror stand. Yes, having all things done, O Christ my conqueror, I shall
stand.

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+* **Doxology 731** OLD HUNDREDETH

* **Prayers of dedication and thanksgiving**

* **Gospel lesson from Matthew 10:26-31** (p. 1511 in pew Bible)
Tony Tucker (9:30), Eric Chandler (11:00), readers

Sermon "How do we face and fight our fear of unavoidable
opposition to Jesus' life-defining mission?"
Frank Hitchings, senior associate pastor

* **Hymn 92** "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" EIN FESTE BURG

* **Benediction**

* **Congregational response** "Threefold Amen" DANISH

* **Postlude** David Friberg, organist

+ Later arrivals may enter the sanctuary

* Congregation standing

IN MEMORIAM
Ida Frances Tatom Gardenhire
May 22, 1917—January 17, 2012

Evening prayer in the chapel – 6:00 p.m.

The short-term mission team to Haiti will be commissioned.

Joe Novenson preaching

Sermon Outline

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THIS WEEK'S EVENTS AT THE CHURCH

Sunday, January 22

Sanctuary worship 8:10, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
 Fellowship hall worship, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
 Fellowship time, 9:00, 10:30 a.m.
 Youth communicants' class, 9:30 a.m.
 Sunday school, 9:30, 11:00 a.m.
 GriefShare group, 3:00 p.m.
 Officers' training class, level 1, 4:00 p.m.
 Jr. high small group, 4:15 p.m.
 Evening prayer, 6:00 p.m.
 Youth ensemble, 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 25

Dead Theologians' at Parkridge Diagnostic, 6:30 a.m.
 Sr. high Bible and breakfast, 7:30 a.m.
 Women's Bible studies, 9:30 a.m.
 Fellowship dinner, 5:45 p.m.
 Prayer meeting, 6:00 p.m.
 Jr. high youth group, 6:10 p.m.
 Wednesday clubs for children, 6:15 p.m.
 Chancel choir, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, January 26

Men's Bible study and breakfast, 6:30 a.m.
 Mother's Day Out, 9:00 a.m.
 Prayer and Bible Hour, 10:15 p.m.
 Knitwits, 1:30 p.m.

Monday, January 23

Ladies' prayer band, 8:45 a.m.
 Monday AM Bible class, 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday, January 24

Men's study on Romans, 6:20 a.m.
 Mother's Day Out, 9:00 a.m.

Friday, January 27

Men's breakfast and prayer, 7:30 a.m.
 Jr. high tacky pizza night, 6:30 p.m.

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Our Vision

Glorifying God by growing in grace and giving our lives away on the mountain, in the city, and throughout the world.

Our Mission

For the glory of our triune God, by the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and through the work of the Holy Spirit, Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church seeks to be a community of believers who:

- are responding to God's grace and glory in worship and wonder,
- are being transformed in their relationships with God and one another through large and small groups, and
- are participating in a Kingdom-building movement to change the world.

* Scripture reading from Matthew 10:26-31

Tad Dacus 9:30
Frank Brock 11:00

This is the Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Prayers of intercession and preparation for the study of God's Word

Sermon

“How do we face and fight our fear of the
unavoidable opposition to Jesus life-defining mission?”
Joe Novenson, senior teaching pastor

* **Hymn of response**

“A Mighty Fortress is Our God”

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
his craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
on earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same,
and he must win the battle.

And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.

That Word above all earthly pow'r, no thanks to them abideth;
the Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
the body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
his kingdom is forever!

* **Benediction**

Postlude

This week's musicians:

Calvin Garriott-piano
Hannah Irwin-viola

Karen VanderHart-vocalist
David Henry-guitar

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WELCOME TO LOOKOUT MOUNTAIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY
JANUARY 22, 2012

Welcome and greetings

Joe Novenson, senior pastor

* **Call to worship**

from Psalm 62:1-2, 8

Leader: My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from him.

People: He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

Leader: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

People: My soul finds rest in God alone; my salvation comes from him.

* **Hymn of praise**

“Come Away From Rush and Hurry”

Come away from rush and hurry to the stillness of God's peace;
from our vain ambition's worry, come to Christ and find release.
Come away from noise and clamor, life's demands and frenzied pace;
come to join the people gathered here to seek and find God's face.

In the pastures of God's goodness we lie down to rest our souls.
From the waters of his mercy we drink deeply, are made whole.
At the table of his presence all his saints are richly fed.
With the oil of his anointing into service we are led.

Come, then, children, with your burdens—life's confusions, fears, and pain.
Leave them at the cross of Jesus; take instead his kingdom's reign.
Bring your thirsts, for he will quench them—he alone will satisfy.
All our longings find attainment when to self we gladly die.

* **Prayer of adoration**

Affirmation of faith

John 1:1-5, 9-10; Colossians 1:16-17

Leader: In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was
God.

People: He was with God in the beginning.

Leader: Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been
made.

People: In him was life, and that life was the light of men.

Leader: The light shines in the darkness, but the darkness has not understood it.

People: The true light that gives light to every man was coming into the world.

Leader: He was in the world, and though the world was made through him, the world did not recognize him.

People: For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

Hymn of affirmation

“In Christ Alone”

In Christ alone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my song;
this Cornerstone, this solid Ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save;
‘til on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied
for every sin on him was laid; here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay Light of the World by darkness slain;
then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
for I am his and he is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
from life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from his hand;
‘til he returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

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Call to confession

Romans 12:1-2

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Silent prayers of confession

Assurance of God's pardoning grace

I John 3:1-3

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure.

* **Hymn of assurance**

“The Love of God”

The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen can ever tell;
it goes beyond the highest star, and reaches to the lowest hell;
the guilty pair, bowed down with care, God gave his Son to win;
his erring child he reconciled, and pardoned from his sin.

When years of time shall pass away, and earthly thrones and kingdoms fall,
when men, who here refuse to pray, on rocks and hills and mountains call,
God's love so sure, shall still endure, all measureless and strong;
redeeming grace to Adam's race the saints' and angels' song.

Could we with ink the ocean fill, and were the skies of parchment made,
were every stalk on earth a quill, and every man a scribe by trade,
to write the love of God above, would drain the ocean dry.
Nor could the scroll contain the whole, though stretched from sky to sky.

O love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong!
it shall forevermore endure the saints' and angels' song.

Worship in the giving of God's tithe and our offerings

Offertory Hymn

“Isaiah 43”

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,
and the waves will not overcome you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are mine.

Chorus: For I am the Lord your God (I am the Lord your God),
I am the Lord your God (I am)
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. *(repeat)*
I am the Lord (do not fear) *(repeat 4x)*

When you walk through the fire, you'll not be burned.
And the flames will not consume you.
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name, you are mine. *(Repeat chorus)*

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