



LAKEMONT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Lord's Day
July 27th, 2025

*Leading men, women and children to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ, and helping them
grow in Him and serve Him in the church and in the world.*

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JULY 27TH, 2025

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

We prepare our hearts to come in the Lord's presence, and orient ourselves to worship.

Our worship begins with a scriptural call for God's people to worship. In this way, our gathered worship is a conversation initiated by God between himself and his people.

We humbly ask Jesus to preside and to represent us before the Father. We ask the Holy Spirit to fill us and inform us and dedicate the service to the Lord.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

MEDITATION IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

The race is not always to the swift but to him who keeps on running.

– Quoted by Allister Begg

A heavenly mind is a joyful mind; this is the nearest and truest way to live a life of comfort, and without this you must need be uncomfortable. Can a man be at a fire and not be warm; or in the sunshine and not have light? Can your heart be in heaven, and not have comfort? [On the other hand,] what could make such frozen, uncomfortable Christians but living so far as they do from heaven?... O Christian, get above. Believe it, that region is warmer than this below. – Richard Baxter

† CORPORATE CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 34:1-3 & 145:3-5

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise will always be on my lips. Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt His name together.

People: Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; His greatness no one can fathom.

Leader: One generation will commend Your works to another; they will tell of Your mighty acts.

People: We will meditate on Your wonderful works and proclaim Your greatness forever!

† PRAYER OF INVOCATION

We are a Confessional Church. We choose to stand shoulder to shoulder with those saints who have gone before us. We embrace the timeless doctrinal truths of the Gospel.

GOD CLEANSES US

Within the context of our relationship with God, we are invited in safety, not shame, to consider our sins. God loves us in spite of our sins. We rehearse this truth each week by confessing our sins corporately and leaning into his renewal, restoration, and cleansing.

The scripture that follows our confession assures us of God's forgiveness, grace and pardon. This is the good news.

† SONG OF PRAISE

Montgomery/McCracken (pg. 6)

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

† CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 70, 71, 72

Leader: Let us confess together the rules Jesus established in His Kingdom. What is the seventh commandment?

All: The seventh commandment is, "You shall not commit adultery."

Leader: What is required in the seventh commandment?

All: The seventh commandment requires the preservation of our own and our neighbor's chastity, in heart, speech and behavior.

Leader: What is forbidden in the seventh commandment?

All: The seventh commandment forbids all unchaste thoughts, words, and actions.

CONFESSIOIN OF SIN

Leader: Let us confess our sins together before the Lord:

All: Father, like your word says, we have acted as an adulterous generation when we have gone after other gods. We confess that we have not considered you beautiful enough to delight us. We have not thought of you as kind enough to comfort us. We have not thought of you as good enough to consider our needs. We have not thought of you as strong enough to overcome our struggles. As we have treated you, so we have acted in our marriages: We have not been satisfied to love the spouse you have joined us to. We have talked poorly, acted rudely, and grown cold in our affections in our marriages. We ask for your forgiveness and restoring love to again win our hearts, minds, affections. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION OF PERSONAL SIN

PROMISE OF PARDONING GRACE

from 2 Corinthians 3:16 & 18

Leader: When one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

CHORAL ANTHEM

Book of Psalms for Worship 23b (pg. 7)

The Lord's My Shepherd
(Psalm 23)

Our giving is an act of worship; it is both a response of gratitude for God's generosity toward us and a sign of faith in God's future provision.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Ruling Elder, John Farr

WORSHIP THROUGH THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

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† DOXOLOGY & DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

Children, ages 4 – 1st grade, may be dismissed for Children's Church.

HYMN OF PREPARATION

Hymn No. 646

Jesus, Thou Joy of Loving Hearts

READING OF GOD'S WORD

Hebrews 12:1-2
(Bible pg. 1285)

PROCLAIMING & HEARING GOD'S WORD

Rev. Nate Wilks

GREATER JOY

† HYMN OF RESPONSE

Hymn No. 308

Jesus Paid It All

† BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20-21

Leader: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

GOD
COMMUNICATES
WITH US

God's Word itself has power. The Preaching of God's Word is one of the chief means of grace by which God's people grow.

GOD
COMMISSIONS
US

Our worship concludes with God's sending us into the world with his blessing as we seek to love our community.

† Please Stand

Hebrews 12:1-2

Greater Joy

I. Joy that Empowers (1)

II. Joy to Endure (2a)

III. Joy Everlasting (2b)

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LEADING WORSHIP: Rev. Bryan Villarreal

SONG OF PRAISE

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Chorus

Hail to the Lord's anointed

Great David's greater Son

Hail in the time appointed

His reign on earth begun

He comes to break oppression
To set the captive free
To take away transgression
And rule in equity (*Chorus*)

He comes with comfort speedy
To those who suffer wrong
To help the poor and needy
And bid the weak be strong

To give them songs for sighing
Their darkness turn to light
Whose souls condemned and dying
Are precious in His sight (*Chorus*)

He shall come down like showers
Upon the fruitful earth
Love joy and hope like flowers
Spring in His path to birth (*Chorus*)

The tide of time shall never
His covenant remove
His Name shall stand forever
That Name to us is Love (*Chorus*)

James Montgomery, Sandra McCracken

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CHORAL ANTHEM

The Lord is My Shepherd

Psalm 23

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
He makes me down to lie
in pastures green He leadeth me
the quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again;
And me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
Ev'n for His own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale,
Yet will I fear no ill;
For Thou art with me,
And Thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

A table Thou has furnished me
in presence of my foes;
My head Thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life
Shall Surely follow me;
and in God's house for evermore
My dwelling place shall be.

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