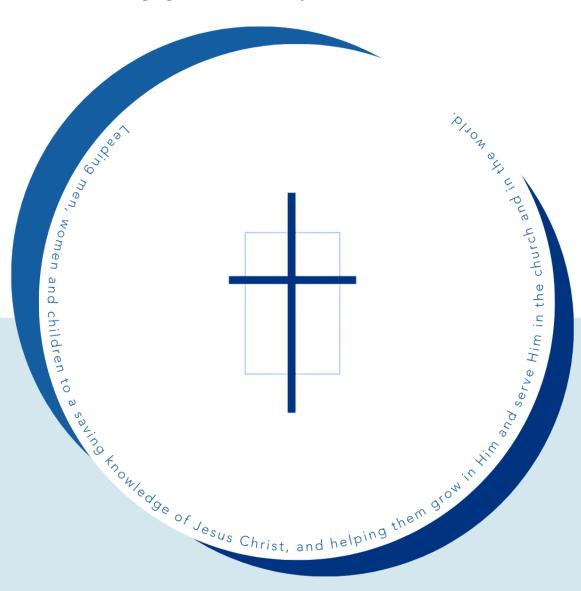
LAKEMONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America



THE LORD'S DAY

December 28th, 2025

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

DECEMBER 28TH, 2025

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

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

MEDITATION IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"For that which He has not assumed He has not healed."

- Gregory of Nazianzus (329-390 AD)

"As he is God in our nature—he took our nature into communion of person—so his office is to bring God and man together; his two natures is to fit him for his office. God and man were at such distant terms as could be, unless between the devil and God. And therefore God-man in one person must perform the great office of bringing such as were in such opposite terms together."

- Richard Sibbes (1577-1635), 'Miracle of Miracles' in <u>The Works of Richard Sibbes</u>, Vol. 7, pg. 119

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.

† CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 113:1-3

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD!

All: Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore! From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!

† Corporate Prayer of Invocation

Based on Hebrews 1:1-2

All: O God, long ago, at many times and in many ways, you spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days you have spoken to us by your Son. We have assembled to hear your Word again and worship your name. We lift up our voices and adore you; speak to us, we pray. In Christ's name. Amen.

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.

† HYMN OF PRAISE

As with Gladness Men of Old Hymn No. 226

RECEIVING NEW MEMBERS TO THE LAKEMONT FAMILY OF FAITH

Neal & Susan Laxton, Jason & Carmen Wagner

† CONFESSION OF FAITH Westminster Confession of Faith, Ch. VIII, Sec. II **Leader**: Let us now confess together what we believe: What do you believe about the Incarnation of Jesus Christ?

All: The Son of God, the second person in the Trinity, being very and eternal God, of one substance, and equal with the Father, did, when the fullness of time was come, take upon Him man's nature, with all the essential properties and common infirmities thereof; yet without sin: being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, of her substance. So that two whole, perfect, and distinct natures, the Godhead and the manhood, were inseparably joined together in one person, without conversion, composition, or confusion. Which person is very God and very man, yet one Christ, the only Mediator between God and man.

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Myles Coverdale (1488 -1569)

Leader: Let's confess together our sins, and our need of the Lord's mercy, grace, and forgiveness:

All: God of mercy, give us a well of blessed tears so that we, like Peter, may mourn our sins from the bottom of our hearts. How great and grievous are those sins that burden and entangle us! But do not let us sink down in heaviness and desperation. Set us up again, and convert us thoroughly. Send the grace of your holy repentance into our heart. Wash away all our sins and negligence. Grant us the light of new graces and gifts. Do not allow to perish those souls for whom you submitted yourself to so many pains and rebukes, and for whom you ultimately suffered the terrible bitter death of the cross. Amen.¹

SILENT CONFESSION OF PERSONAL SIN

PROMISE OF PARDONING GRACE

1 John 4:9-10

Leader: In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God

sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

MOMENT FOR MISSIONS

David and Erin Pervis, MTW Greece

CHORAL ANTHEM

Come, Adore Christ the Lord Lyrics pg. 6

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Elder, John Etheridge

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

Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates Hymn No. 198 (v. 1-3 & 6)

READING OF GOD'S WORD

Hebrews 2:14-18 Bible pg. 1276

PROCLAIMING & HEARING GOD'S WORD

Rev. Vosseller

To Destroy and Deliver

† HYMN OF RESPONSE

Go Tell It on the Mountain Hymn No. 224

† BENEDICTION

Romans 16:20

Leader: The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

† Please Stand

1. 'Help Us to Mourn', <u>Grace From Heaven: Prayers of the Reformation</u>, ed. by Robert Elmer, (Lexham Press, 2024), pg. 121

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

COMMUNICATES

God's Word itself has

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 fu-

ture provision.

GOD

WITH US

GOD COMMISSIONS US

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

Hebrews 2:14-18

Theme: What was the purpose of Christ becoming man (the Incarnation)?
I. Born to Deliver Us (v. 14-15)
A. From Satan's Power (v. 14)
B. From the Fear of Death (v. 15)
II. Born to Represent Us (v. 16-17)
A. As Heirs of God's Promises (v. 16)
B. As Our High Priest (v. 17)
III. Born to Help Us (v. 18)

CHORAL ANTHEM

Come, Adore Christ the Lord

Come, adore Christ the Lord: promised Messiah, Emmanuel. Come adore God's gift to the world. With angels and shepherds, sing Noel!

Come, adore Christ the Lord; promised Messiah, Emmanuel Come adore God's gift to the world. With angels and shepherds, sing Noel!

No eye had seen no ear had heard, no mind had conceived this birth But in Bethlehem a King was born, God's love sent from heav'n to earth.

Come, adore Christ the Lord; promised Messiah, Emmanuel Come adore God's gift to the world. With angels and shepherds, sing Noel!

O Come let us adore Him, O come let us adore him; O come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord. Promised Messiah, Emmanuel

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OPPORTUNITIES TO GROW

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES (9 AM)

- Desiring God Adult Room 1
- Through the Bible Class Adult Room 3
- Youth (6th grade-12th)
 1st room on left
- Children (ages 2-10)
 Start in the Assembly Room
 3rd room on left

Men's Studies

- Luke
 M.E.N. Men's Encouraging Network

 Saturdays 8:30 am
- Romans
 Wednesdays 6:30 am (Pastor Bryan)
- Being the Bad Guys: How to Live for Jesus in a World That Says You Shouldn't,
 Wednesdays 7:00 pm (Pastor Dave)

SUNDAY EVENINGS

- Revival Prayer
 4:15p via conference call
 Contact Rod Mackert for more info.
- Evening Gatherings
 - * 5:30 pm North Augusta
 Denmark's (406 Coopers Mill Rd.)
 or Peter's (149 Adamsville Spring Rd.)
 - 5:30 pm West Augusta
 Asmann's (212 Kings Chapel Rd.)
 - * 5:30 pm Young Adults
 College Grads to Young Families
 Villarreal's (1950 Bolin Rd)

WOMEN'S STUDY

God of Creation, A study of Genesis 1-11 by Kristen Hatton

- Tues. 10:30 am (10:00 am fellowship)
- Wed. 7:00 pm

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- Sunday Refreshments
 Contact Office
- GreeterContact Office
- Usher
 Contact Andy Barrett
- Food Pantry
 Contact David or Vickie
 Aguilar
- Visit sick and shut ins
 Contact Fran Jagoditsch