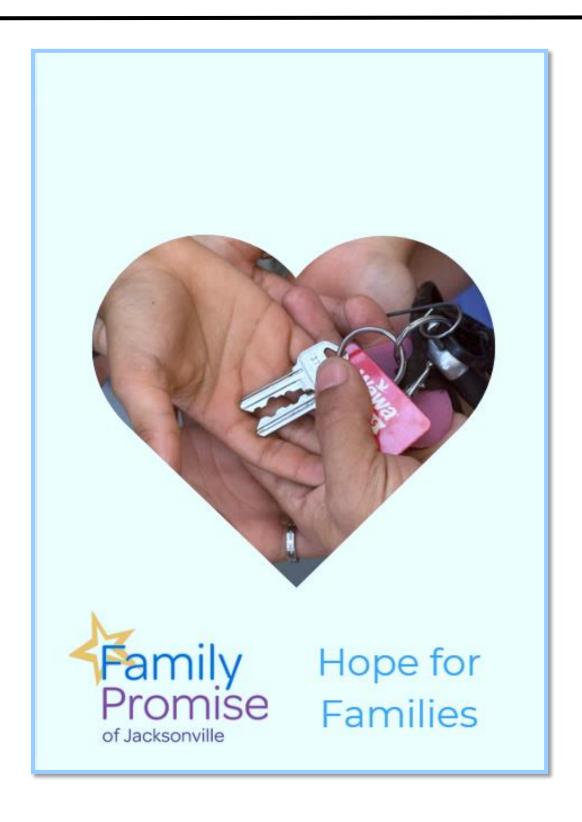
Lakewood Presbyterian Church Order of Service for the Worship of God

August 24, 2025 10:00 am



Preparation for Worship

Please join us in singing the Gathering Songs to prepare our hearts for worship.

The Gathering In Christ Alone Music by J.L. Mazur

1) 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

- 2) 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 Till 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
- 3) 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
- 4) No guilt in life no fear in death
 This is the power of Christ in me
 From life's first cry to final breath
 Jesus commands my destiny
 No power of hell no scheme of man
 Can ever pluck me from His hand
 Till He returns or calls me home
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude As the Deer arr. Mazur

*Prayer of Invocation LPC Youth

*Responsive Call to Worship

Leader: God is our rock and our refuge,

People: a strong and mighty fortress.

Leader: Beloved, people of light, come;

People: the Lord is our hope.

Leader: Let us worship God!

*Hymn of Praise

Praise Ye the Lord, the Almighty

- 1) Praise ye the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near; join me in glad adoration!
- 2) Praise ye the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been granted in what he ordaineth?
- 3) Praise ye the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the amen sound from his people again; gladly for aye we adore him.

*Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, We confess that our faith is often empty words. We see the needs of others, yet do not act. We speak of love, yet fail to show it. Forgive us for the ways we withhold mercy and turn from our neighbors in need. By Your Spirit, give us a living faith— one that works through love and bears witness to Christ. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son And to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, World without end. Amen, amen

The Act of Offering

Offertory 'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus Kirkpatrick/Stead

*Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Prayer of Dedication

The Word of God Proclaimed

Children's TimeBrian Mitchell

- 1) There's a wideness in God's mercy, like the wideness of the sea.
 There's a kindness in God's justice, which is more than liberty.
 There is no place where earth's sorrows are more felt than up in heaven.
 There is no place where earth's failings have such kindly judgment given.
- 2) For the love of God is broader than the measures of the mind. And the heart of the Eternal is most wonderfully kind. If our love were but more faithful, we would gladly trust God's Word, and our lives reflect thanksgiving for the goodness of our Lord.

Scripture James 2:14-19

Sermon Hope for Families Beth Mixson

The message is brought to us today by Beth Mixon of Family Promise. Beth is a cradle Presbyterian and an ordained deacon.

Response of God's People

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn of Commitment

I, the Lord of Sea and Sky (Here I am, Lord)

1) I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I, who made the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?

Refrain:
Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.

2) I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of them.

They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send?
(Refrain)

3) I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame. I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Finest bread I will provide till their hearts be satisfied. I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?

Blessing and Benediction

*Benediction

Postlude I Know Who Holds Tomorrow Stanphill

Duty Elders for AugustLori Duck

Bob Dahl Arnie Blevins

Liturgist: Frances Hallett

Senior Pastor:

Director of Youth & Christian Education:

Director of Music & Organist:

Parish Associate:

Rev. Joy Laughridge
Brian Mitchell
Joshua Mazur
Rev. Vickie Bossuot

Attendance August 17, 2025 In Person: 76; 1st Time Visitors: 1; Online: 31

The flowers in the Chancel are given today by **Lynn Tasker** In honor of her sister, **Elaine Thompson**, for her birthday.



August 25, Monday

> 4:00 pm - Chair Yoga in Benz Hall

August 26, Tuesday

- > 10:00 am PW Coordination Team in Coleman Room
- > 7:00 pm JOY Circle Bible Study Coleman Room

August 27, Wednesday

- > 1:15 pm Bell Choir Practice Sanctuary
- > 5:00 pm Band Practice Sanctuary
- > 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Sanctuary

August 29, Friday

- > 10:00 am Vintage Players in Youth Hut
- > 6:00 pm Women in Recovery in the Youth Hut
- ➤ 7:00 pm FREE Concert Series event Hannah Mazur and Alexis Ault in Concert LPC Sanctuary – Invite your friends!

August 31, Sunday

- > 11:00 am Grace Patrol Adult Sunday School Coleman Room Breakfast and Study
- > 6:00 pm Women in Recovery in the Youth Hut



Faithfulness Report

As of July 31st, 2025

Actual Budget Variance Income* \$ 344,644 \$ 351,249 \$ 6,606

Expenses 345,580 357,509 11,929

Net Income (936) \$ (6,259) \$ 5,323

Contributions to Restricted Funds

Month		Year to date	
\$	16,917	\$	59,974



^{*}Prior year Prepaid pledges are being amortized each month



Email info@lpcjax.org for more information. Include in your Subject Line "WMP".



Eyeglasses for a Friend in Need

If you have any old bifocals to donate, we have a friend of LPC in need. We don't have information about the prescription, so any kind will help; they can try on a few pairs. See Pastor Joy for more details. Thanks!