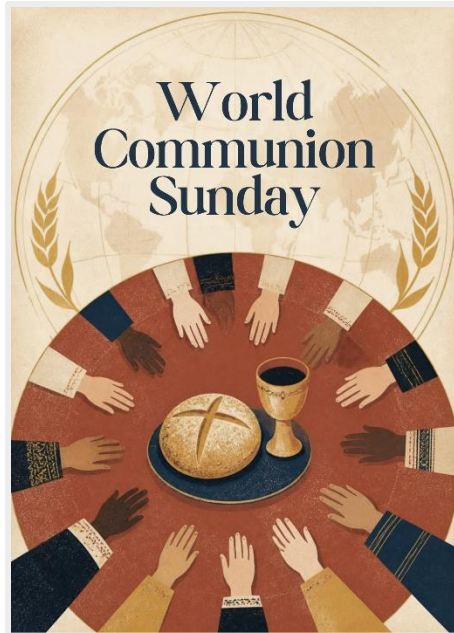


Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Order of Service for the Worship of God

October 4, 2026

10:00 am



PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

THE GATHERING

The Heart of Worship

Matt Redman

1) When the music fades all is stripped away
And I simply come
Longing just to bring something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart

Chorus:

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself is not what You have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart
I'm coming back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You all about You Jesus
I'm sorry Lord for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You all about You Jesus

2) King of endless worth no one could express
How much You deserve
Though I'm weak and poor all I have is Yours
Ev'ry single breath (Chorus)

Remembrance (The Communion Song)

Matt Maher/Matt Redman

1) Oh how could it be
That my God would welcome me
Into this mystery
Say take this bread take this wine
Now the simple made divine
For any to receive

Chorus:

By Your mercy we come to Your table
By Your grace You are making us faithful
Lord we remember You
And remembrance leads us to worship
And as we worship You
Our worship leads to communion
We respond to Your invitation
(We respond to Your invitation)
We remember You

2) See His body His blood
Know that He has overcome
Ev'ry trial we will face
And none too lost to be saved
None too broken or ashamed
All are welcome in this place (Chorus)

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

"Built on the Rock, the Church Shall Stand"

Trad

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Connor Balow

***RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP**

One: From north and south,
from east and west, we come:

**Many: God's people called to the Table
where simple grace nourishes us.**

One: From down the street to across town,
from single households to apartment dwellers:

**Many: God's people are called to community,
where we live and serve one another.**

One: From every class, every race, every status;
from little ones with sippy cups to elders with overflowing hearts:

Many: God's people are called to witness to God's hope, to offer peace to a shattered world.

All: Let us worship God.

HYMN OF PRAISE

I Come with Joy

1 I come with joy, a child of God,
forgiven, loved, and free,
the life of Jesus to recall,
in love laid down for me,
in love laid down for me.

2 I come with Christians far and near
to find, as all are fed,

the new community of love
in Christ's communion bread,
in Christ's communion bread.

3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
The love that made us, makes us one,
and strangers now are friends,
and strangers now are friends.

4 The Spirit of the risen Christ,
unseen, but ever near,
is in such friendship better known,
alive among us here,
alive among us here.

5 Together met, together bound
by all that God has done,
we'll go with joy, to give the world
the love that makes us one,
the love that makes us one.

***UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Loving God, through Jesus Christ, you taught us,
"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."
Yet we continue to put our faith in earthly treasures,
hoarding up possessions that moth and rust will destroy, clinging to power and privilege whenever we
can. Set us free from greed and fear.
Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
Teach us to trust in you alone;
through Jesus Christ, our true redeemer.**

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

"How Firm a Foundation"

Rippen/Wagner
LPC Chancel Choir

***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 TIME

SCRIPTURE

Psalms 118: 19-24

Matthew 21: 33-46

SERMON

Cornerstone

Brian Mitchell

Communion Hymn

Be Known to us in Breaking Bread

The Word Proclaimed in Sacrament

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayers of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer

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.

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT**

The Church's One Foundation

1 The church's one foundation
is Jesus Christ her Lord.
She is his new creation
by water and the word.
From heaven he came and sought her
to be his holy bride.
With his own blood he bought her,
and for her life he died.

2 Elect from every nation,
yet one o'er all the earth,
her charter of salvation:
one Lord, one faith, one birth.
One holy name she blesses,
partakes one holy food,
and to one hope she presses,
with every grace endued.

3 Though with a scornful wonder
this world sees her oppressed,
by schisms rent asunder,
by heresies distressed,
yet saints their watch are keeping;
their cry goes up: "How long?"
And soon the night of weeping
shall be the morn of song.

4 Mid toil and tribulation,
and tumult of her war,
she waits the consummation
of peace forevermore:
till with the vision glorious
her longing eyes are blest,
and the great church victorious
shall be the church at rest.

5 Yet she on earth has union
 with God, the Three in One,
 and mystic sweet communion
 with those whose rest is won:
 O happy ones and holy!
 Lord, give us grace that we,
 like them, the meek and lowly,
 may live eternally.

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

"The Solid Rock"

Trad

Duty Elders for October	Bob Dahl Arnie Blevins Paul Chrisman
Liturgist:	Youth
Senior Pastor:	Rev. Joy Laughridge
Director of Youth & Christian Education:	Brian Mitchell
Interim Director of Music and Organist	Deborah DeGrado
Parish Associate:	Rev. Vickie Bossuot
Attendance September 27, 2026 In Person: 86; 1st Time: 0; Online: 51 The flowers in the chancel today are given in celebration of Chuck Atkins' Birthday!	

Upcoming Events

October 4, Sunday

10:00 am – Worship – Worldwide Communion Sunday - Sanctuary
 11:00 am – Stewardship Kickoff Luncheon - Benz Hall
 5:30 pm - LPC Youth - Youth Hut

October 5, Monday

4:00 pm – Chair Yoga – Benz Hall

October 6, Tuesday

10:00 am - PW Coordination Team - Coleman Room
 6:00 pm - CELEBRATE Ministry Meeting - Session Room
 7:00 pm - CARE Fellowship Ministry Meeting - Benz Hall
 7:00 pm - LEARN Ministry - Zoom

October 7, Wednesday

1:15 pm – Bell Choir – Sanctuary
 5:00 pm -Praise Band – Sanctuary
 6:00pm - Wednesday Night Dinner - *Pastor Joy's Journey* - Benz Hall
 7:00 pm – Chancel Choir - Sanctuary

October 9, Friday

LPP - Closed
 10:00 am – Vintage Players in Youth Hut
 6:00 pm – Women in Recovery in the Youth Hut

October 10, Saturday

9:00 am - LPC Bag Ladies - Benz Hall

October 11, Sunday

10:00 am – Worship – Sanctuary

11:00 am - Adult Sunday School - Coleman Room

6:00 pm - STEWARD Ministry Meeting - Joy's Office

2026 YTD Giving Statements went out via email this past week. If we do not have an email address for you, a hard copy will be available for pick up in the narthex. Statements not picked up will be mailed. Please contact Celia at celia@lpcjax.org with questions or if you need a mailed statement.



The poster features the UCOM logo with a heart-shaped wheat stalk, a QR code, and a shopping cart filled with food items. The text is as follows:

UCOM
FOOD DRIVE

WE HAVE AN URGANT NEED FOR FOOD!
Together, we are feeding more neighbors than ever!

Please consider:

- Shop BOGO and share half with UCOM
- Clean your pantry and donate your surplus
- Donate items that stretch meals like sauces & spices
- **Donate \$\$** so UCOM can bulk purchase food

Email Sara@ucomjax.org with any questions or ideas!

End of Announcements

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