

Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Order of Service for the Worship of God

Dedication Sunday

October 26, 2025

10:00 am

Measuring What Matters



Provision

| 1 Kings 17:8-16

Preparation for Worship

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

The Gathering

As We Gather

Mike Fay, Tom Coomes

As we gather may Your Spirit work within us
As we gather may we glorify Your name
Knowing well that as our hearts begin to worship
We'll be blessed because we came
We'll be blessed because we came

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

Stuart Townend

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

Welcome & Announcements

Prelude

Improvisation

Joshua Mazur

Prayer of Invocation

Tom Vermilya

***Responsive Call to Worship**

Leader: We are gathered in this place because God has called us together.

People: We come ready to worship the living God.

Leader: We come as individuals or households.

People: I am just one, what difference will I make?

Leader: And yet, together we are many.

People: We are a mighty voice, called together by God.

Leader: For when we see scarcity God sees plenty.

People: Thanks be to God!

***Hymn of Praise**

All Creatures of our God and King

1) All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O brother sun with golden beam,
O sister moon with silver gleam,
sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

2) O brother wind with clouds and rain,
you nurture gifts of fruit and grain.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
O sister water, flowing clear,
make music for your Lord to hear.
Sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

3) O brother fire, so warm and bright,
chase off the shadows of the night.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Dear mother earth, who day by day
unfolds such blessings on our way,
sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

4) All who for love of God forgive,
all who in pain or sorrow grieve,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Christ bears your burdens and your fears;
so, even in the midst of tears,
sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

5) And you, most gentle sister death,
waiting to hush our final breath:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Since Christ our light has pierced your gloom,
fair is the night that leads us home.
Sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

6) O sisters, brothers, take your part,
and worship God with humble heart.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
All creatures, bless the Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit, Three in One!
Sing praises! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

***Unison Prayer of Confession**

Gracious and generous God, you promise to provide enough for today, yet we confess that we often live as though your mercy has limits. We worry that there will not be enough—enough time, enough resources, enough love. We forget that your goodness is not scarce and your care does not fail. Forgive us when fear keeps us from trusting you, and when caution keeps us from offering ourselves to your work. Open our hands and hearts to your abundance, so that our lives may reflect your endless generosity.

***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

Jesus Paid it All
LPC Chancel Choir

arr. Mazur

***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

Brian Mitchell

***Hymn of Preparation**

Take Thou our Minds, Dear Lord

1) Take thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray;
give us the mind of Christ each passing day;
teach us to know the truth that sets us free;
grant us in all our thoughts to honor thee.

2) Take thou our hearts, O Christ; they are thine own;
come thou within our souls and claim thy throne;
help us to shed abroad thy deathless love;
use us to make the earth like heaven above.

3) Take thou our wills, Most High! Hold thou full sway;
have in our inmost souls thy perfect way;
guard thou each sacred hour from selfish ease;
guide thou our ordered lives as thou dost please.

4) Take thou ourselves, O Lord, heart, mind, and will;
through our surrendered souls thy plans fulfill.
We yield ourselves to thee: time, talents, all;
we hear, and henceforth heed, thy sovereign call.

Scripture

1 Kings 17:8-16

Response of God's People

Committing our Intentions

Leader: "Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, so that there may be food in my house, and thus put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts:

All: See if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing."

Leader: God has blessed us and the world in which we live with abundance.

All: We are free to give our gifts because God is faithful. We have already received from the Lord's hand the gift of seven days of provision for six days of labor, mercy for our souls and daily bread for our bodies.

Leader: We are called to be God's visible presence in the world, caring for the hungry, the thirsty, the naked, the sick, and those unjustly imprisoned. God's abundance is not to be enjoyed by only a few, but shared with all, so that every need in creation may be fulfilled and satisfied.

All: May the commitments we make this day become direct agents of God's love and may our generosity truly reflect the generosity we have received. Lord, increase our faith. Amen.

Presentation of Pledges

O God, may the offering of these commitments reflect our desire to see your Realm unfold before us. We pray that they might represent the best we have to offer, the pledge to keep you and the Gospel as our first priorities, and the reflection of our trust in you for all things. We give not to receive from you, but to honor what you have already given to us. Bless these intentions that they might become ministry and mission in our midst. Amen

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

***Hymn of Commitment**

Great God of Every Blessing

1) Great God of every blessing,
of faithful, loving care,
you are the fount of goodness,
the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you?
Our praise is but a start:
sincerely and completely
I offer you my heart.

2) Your Word is our salvation,
the source of endless grace,
in death and life extending
your covenant embrace.
In Christ we are one body;
each member has a part:
sincerely and completely
I offer you my heart.

3) Your Spirit is our teacher,
the light that guides our search,
transforming broken people

into the holy church.
For feeding us with mercy,
for wisdom you impart:
sincerely and completely
I offer you my heart.

Blessing and Benediction

***Benediction**

Postlude

Be Thou My Vision

arr. Mazur

Duty Elders for October

Diana Balow
Harolyn Sharpe
William Wilson

Liturgist:

Tom Vermilya

Senior Pastor:

Rev. Joy Laughridge

Director of Youth & Christian Education:

Brian Mitchell

Director of Music & Organist:

Joshua Mazur

Parish Associate:

Rev. Vickie Bossuot

Attendance October 19, 2025

In Person: 83; 1st Time Visitors: 0 ; Online: 35

The flowers in the Chancel are given by **Chris and Pam Lawrence** to the Glory of God
as they celebrate their 27th Wedding Anniversary.



October 26, Sunday

- Dedication Sunday
- 11:00 am – Grace Patrol – Coleman Room
- 4:30 pm – Trunk or Treat – Front Parking Lot

October 27, Monday

- 4:00 pm – Chair Yoga – Benz Hall

October 28, Tuesday

- 7:00 pm – JOY CIRCLE – Coleman Room

October 29, Wednesday

- 9:30 am – LPP Halloween Parade- Sanctuary
- 1:15 pm – Bell Choir – Sanctuary
- 5:00 pm – Praise Band – Sanctuary
- 7:00 pm – Chancel Choir – Sanctuary

October 31, Friday

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

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LPC is participating in the CROP Hunger Walks.

November 2, 2025 @ 12:30 pm

Brown L. Whatley Memorial Park in San Marco.

Local proceeds benefit UCOM.

Reach out to Nancy Carlton for more information.

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Lakewood Presbyterian Church



UCOM serves about 1,800 people a month. Our primary food source, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints' warehouse, is currently closed for renovations. We appreciate any food donations, but particularly: canned soups & beans, canned meat (tuna, chicken), canned vegetables, peanut butter, cereal, grits, oatmeal, rice and mac-n-cheese boxes. Bring items to the Narthex. There is a basket marked for UCOM. As always, thank you for your generosity!



You are invited to a night of hockey with the men of Lakewood Presbyterian on Saturday, November 15th. Let us gather for a night of fun and friendship at Veterans Arena for the Icemen vs. the Atlantic Gladiators. Tickets are \$40. Gathering time TBA. Please RSVP to Brian or on our website, on or before November 1st.