

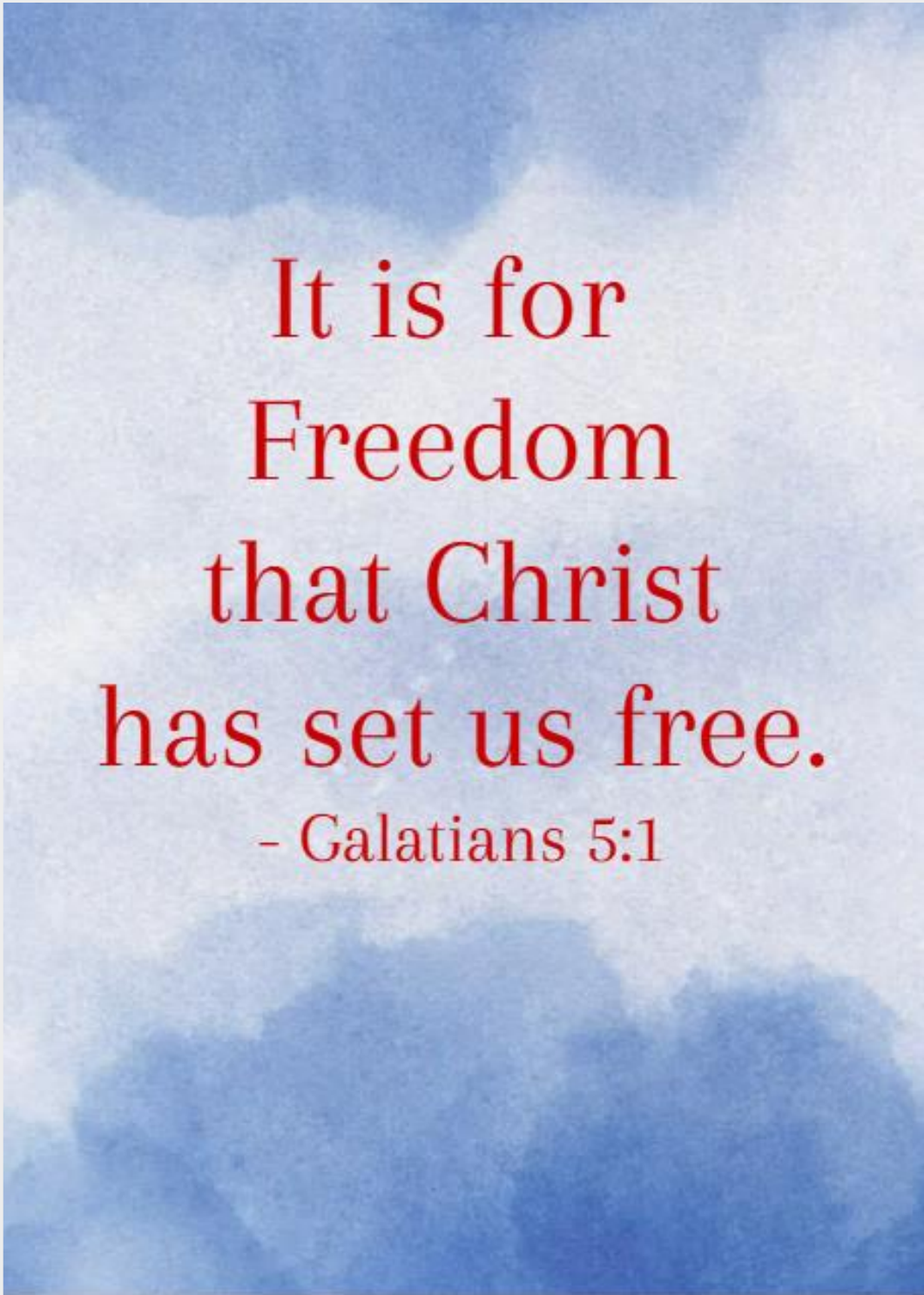
Lakewood Presbyterian Church

Order of Service for the Worship of God

Communion Sunday

July 5, 2026

10:00 am



It is for
Freedom
that Christ
has set us free.
- Galatians 5:1

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

THE GATHERING

Come And See

Lenny LeBlanc

1) Come and see the glory of the Lord
Come behold the Lamb
Come and see the mercy of the King
Bowing down before Him

2) Come and give thanks unto the Lord
Come behold the Lamb
Come and sing the praises of the King
Bowing down before Him

Chorus:

For He is Lord above the heavens
Lord in all the earth
Lord of all the angels
Worthy to be served
Alleluia Alleluia
[last time] Lord

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

1) Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now I'm found
Was blind but now I see

2) 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Chorus:

My chains are gone I've been set free
My God my Savior has ransomed me
And like a flood His mercy rains
Unending love amazing grace

3) The Lord has promised good to me
His word my hope secures
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures (Chorus 2x)

4) The earth shall soon dissolve like snow
The sun forbear to shine
But God who called me here below
Will be forever mine
Will be forever mine
You are forever mine

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Marci Edwards

*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

One: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Many: Declare God's glory among the nations; tell all the people of God's marvelous works.

**All: Say among the nations: The Lord is sovereign! God will judge the peoples with equity.
Let us worship God.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

My Country, 'Tis of Thee

1) My country, 'tis of thee,
sweet land of liberty,
of thee I sing:
land where my *fathers died,
land of the pilgrims' pride,
from every mountainside
let freedom ring.

2) My native country, thee,
land of the noble free,
thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
thy woods and templed hills;
my heart with rapture thrills
like that above.

3) Let music swell the breeze,
and ring from all the trees
sweet freedom's song.
Let mortal tongues awake;
let all that breathe partake;
let rocks their silence break,
the sound prolong.

4) Our *fathers' God, to thee,
author of liberty,
to thee we sing.
Long may our land be bright
with freedom's holy light;
protect us by thy might,
great God, our King.

*UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.

***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

***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

Commissioning for Montreat Youth Conference

Brian Mitchell

SCRIPTURE

Psalm 119:41-48 and Galatians 5: 1, 13-16

SERMON

For Freedom

Brian Mitchell

***COMMUNION HYMN**

Come to the Table of Grace

- 1) Come to the table of grace.
Come to the table of grace.
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of grace.
- 2) Come to the table of peace...
- 3) Come to the table of love...
- 4) Come to the table of hope...
- 5) Come to the table of joy...

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.

Sharing of the Bread and the Cup

Prayer After Communion

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

1) O beautiful for spacious skies,
for amber waves of grain,
for purple mountain majesties
above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed his grace on thee,
and crown thy good with *brotherhood
from sea to shining sea!

2) O beautiful for heroes proved
in liberating strife,
who more than self their country loved,
and mercy more than life!
America! America!
God mend thine every flaw;
confirm thy soul in self-control,
thy liberty in law!

3) O beautiful for patriot dream
that sees beyond the years
thine alabaster cities gleam,
undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
May God thy gold refine
till all success be nobleness
and every gain divine!

BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Duty Elders for July

Lori Duck
Greg Scott
Katherine Bossuot

Liturgist:

Marci Edwards

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 June 28, 2026

In Person: 102; 1st Time: 0; Online: 39

The flowers in the chancel today are given by **Roy Green** and **Celia Green**
in memory of Mary Green - loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend to all.

Calendar and Announcements, next page



Upcoming Events

July 5, Sunday

- 10:00 am – Worship – Sanctuary
- 11:00 am – Adult Sun. School – Coleman Rm.

July 6, Monday

- 4:00 pm – Chair Yoga – Benz Hall

July 7, Tuesday

- 7:00 pm – Member Care Meeting – at Lisa Wetzel's Home

July 9, Thursday

- 11:00 am – Memorial Service for Mary Tillman, Sanctuary, followed by reception in Benz Hall

July 10, Friday

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

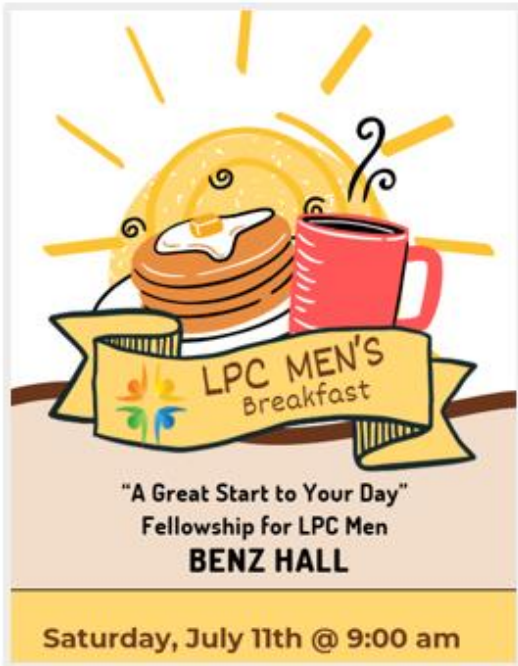
July 11, Saturday

- 9:00 am – LPC Men's Breakfast – Coleman Rm.

July 12, Sunday

- 9:00 – Noon – One Blood bus – parking lot
- 10:00 am – Worship – Sanctuary
- 11:00 am – Adult Sun. School – Coleman Rm.
- 11:00 am – Coffee and Donuts – Benz Hall

More Announcements, next page



LPC Youth will attend the Montreat Youth Conference July 12 – 18. The theme for the conference is “Wonder and Wander.” Out students and chaperones will experience worship with hundreds of Presbyterian students in the beautiful Anderson Auditorium. They will experience rest and creative learning, games and small group conversation. Please pray for our students and leaders that God will meet them and that they experience more of God’s love and grace at Montreat.

End of Announcements