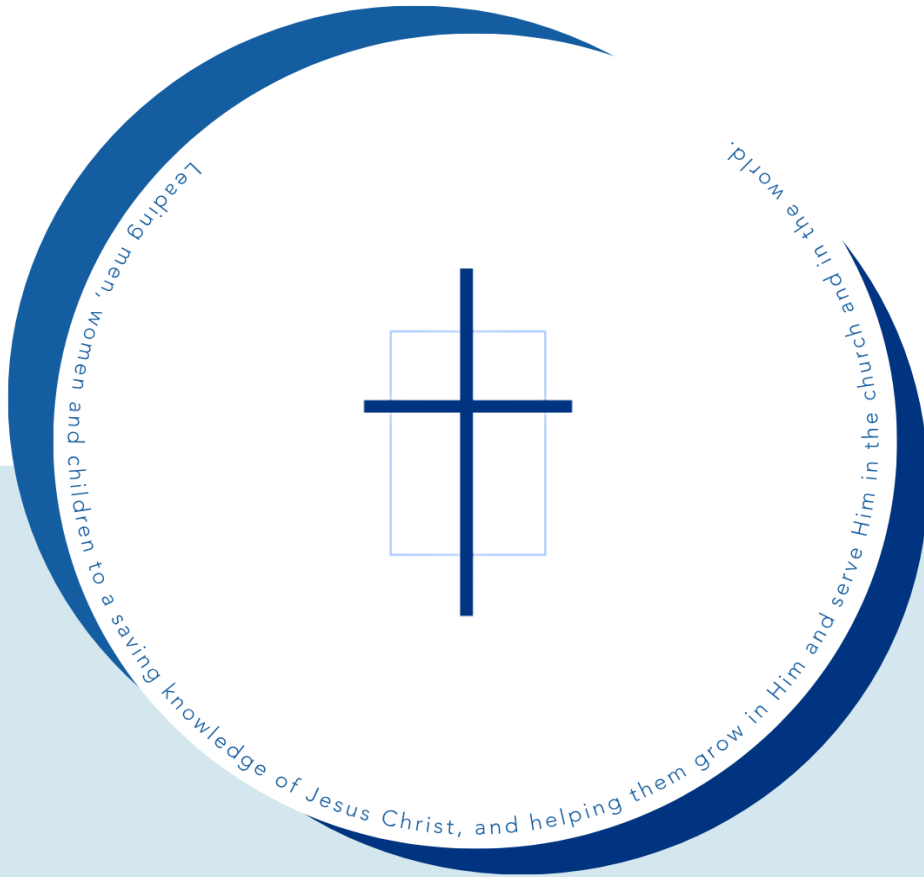

LAKE MONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America



THE LORD'S DAY

APRIL 12TH, 2026

Rev. Dave Vosseller, Pastor

Rev. Bryan Villarreal, Assoc. Pastor

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, APRIL 12TH, 2026

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

MEDITATION IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“The words ‘Where the Spirit of Christ is, there is liberty’ imply that we are in bondage before we have the Spirit of Christ. And indeed that is true. For outside of Christ we are slaves, the best of us all are slaves. In Christ, the lowest of all is a free man and a king. Out of Christ there is nothing but thralldom... There is no man who is not a slave till he is in Christ; and the more free a man thinks himself to be, and labors to be, the more enslaved he is.” - Richard Sibbes, Glorious Freedom (1639), pg. 28.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

Lift High the Cross
Hymn No. 263

† CORPORATE CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 104:31-35

Leader: May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works, who looks on the earth and it trembles, who touches the mountains and they smoke!

People: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

Leader: May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the LORD.

All: Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more! Bless the LORD, O my soul! Praise the LORD!

† PRAYER OF INVOCATION

† SONG OF PRAISE

Father Long Before Creation
Lyrics Pg. 6

† CONFESSION OF FAITH

Westminster Confession of Faith, Ch. XX, Sec. 1

Leader: Let us declare together what we believe: What do you believe about the liberty and freedom that Christ purchased for us under the gospel?

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

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.

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.

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

All: The liberty which Christ hath purchased for believers under the gospel consists in their freedom from the guilt of sin, the condemning wrath of God, the curse of the moral law; and in their being delivered from this present evil world, bondage to Satan, and dominion of sin, from the evil of afflictions, the sting of death, the victory of the grave, and everlasting damnation; as also in their free access to God, and their yielding obedience unto Him, not out of slavish fear, but a childlike love, and a willing mind. All which were common also to believers under the law; but under the New Testament the liberty of Christians is further enlarged in their freedom from the yoke of the ceremonial law, to which the Jewish church was subjected; and in greater boldness of access to the throne of grace, and in fuller communications of the free Spirit of God, than believers under the law did ordinarily partake of.

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Based on Ps. 51:1-3; 1 Jn. 1:9; Gal. 5:13; Rom. 4:25

Leader: Let us now confess our sins together before our God:

All: Have mercy upon me, O God, according to your lovingkindness; according to the multitude of your tender mercies, blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I acknowledge my transgressions, and my sin is always before me: I concede that I, at times, have used my freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, rather than through love serving brothers and sisters. Forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness; for the sake of Christ, who gave himself for our offenses and was raised for our justification. Amen.¹

SILENT CONFESSION OF PERSONAL SIN

The scripture that follows our confession assures us of God's forgiveness, grace and pardon. This is the good news.

PROMISE OF PARDONING GRACE

John 8:34–36 & Galatians 5:1

Leader: Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed...For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

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 future provision.

† PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Elder, Matthew Peters

WORSHIP THROUGH THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Use QR on pg. 8 to give online

† DOXOLOGY & DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

Children, ages 4 – 1st grade, may be dismissed for Children's Church.

† **HYMN OF PREPARATION**

Arise, My Soul, Arise
Hymn No. 305

GOD
COMMUNICATES
WITH US

READING OF GOD'S WORD

2 Corinthians 3:7-18
Bible pg. 1227

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

PROCLAIMING & HEARING GOD'S WORD

Rev. Dave Vosseller

TRANSFORMED BY GOD'S GLORY

† **HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground
Hymn No. 518

GOD
COMMISSIONS US

† **BENEDICTION**

Jude 24-25

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

Leader: Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

† **Please Stand**

¹ Michael W. Philliber, 'Misused Freedom' in To You I Lift Up My Soul: Confessions and Prayers (White Blackbird Books, 2020), pg. 23.

Preaching: Rev. Dave Vosseller

Leading Worship: Rev. Bryan Villarreal

2 Corinthians 3:7-18

Theme: Do we behold the greater glory of Christ in the new covenant?

I. The Background of Paul's Defense (or "I Fought the Law, and the Law Won") (Ex. 32-34)

II. The Superior Glory of New Covenant Ministry (v. 7-11)

III. The Superior Blessings of New Covenant Ministry (v. 12-18)

A. Confident Boldness (v. 12-13)

B. Unveiled Beholding (v. 14-16)

C. Authentic Freedom (v. 17)

D. Glorious Transforming (v. 18)

SONG OF PRAISE

Father, Long Before Creation

Father, long before creation
Thou hadst chosen us in love,
And that love so deep, so moving,
Draws us close to Christ above.
Still it keeps us, still it keeps us.
Firmly fixed in Christ alone.

Though the world may change its fashion,
Yet our God is e'er the same;
His compassion and His covenant
Through all ages will remain.
God's own children, God's own children
Must forever praise His name.

God's compassion is my story,
Is my boasting all the day;
Mercy free and never failing
Moves my will, directs my way.
God so loved us, God so loved us
That His only Son He gave.

Loving Father now before Thee
We will ever praise Thy love,
And our songs will sound unceasing
'Til we reach our home above,
Giving glory, giving glory
To our God and to the Lamb;
Giving glory, giving glory
To our God and to the Lamb.

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