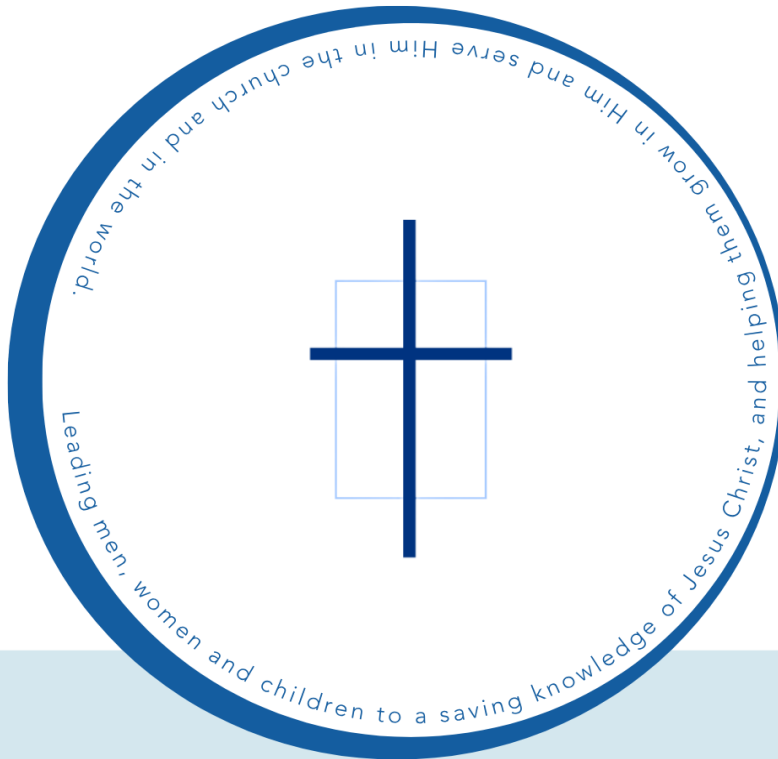

LAKE MONT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America



THE LORD'S DAY
May 24th, 2026

Rev. Dave Vosseller, Pastor

Rev. Bryan Villarreal, Assoc. Pastor

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, MAY 24TH, 2026

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

MEDITATION IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

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

Let those be thy choicest companions who have made Christ their chief companion. – Thomas Brooks

By friendship you mean the greatest love, the greatest usefulness, the most open communication, the noblest sufferings, the severest truth, the heartiest counsel, and the greatest union of minds of which brave men and women are capable. – Jeremy Taylor

Today friendship has fallen on hard times. This is a great tragedy for self, family, and the Church, because it is in [these] relationships that we develop into what God wants us to be. Friendships...are there to be made if we value them as we ought – and if we practice some simple disciplines of friendship. – Kent Hughes

† CALL TO WORSHIP Based Psalm 25:1-3, Deut. 7:8, & John 15:15

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.

Leader: To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust.

People: Let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies exult over me. Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;

Leader: It is because the LORD loves us and is keeping the oath that he swore to our fathers, that the LORD has brought us out with a mighty hand and redeemed us from the house of slavery.

All: You no longer call us servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but You have called us friends.

† PRAYER OF INVOCATION

† **HYMN OF PRAISE**.....*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*
Hymn No. 53

† **CONFESSION OF FAITH** Westminster Confession of Faith, 26.1

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

Leader: Christians, let us confess what we mutually believe about our friendship with Christ and each other.

All: All saints that are united to Jesus Christ their head, by his Spirit and by faith, have fellowship with him in his graces, sufferings, death, resurrection, and glory: and being united to one another in love, they have communion in each other’s gifts and graces, and are obliged to the performance of such duties, public and private, as do conduce to their mutual good, both in the inward and outward man.

CONFESSION OF SIN

GOD CLEANSSES 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.

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

All: Father, we confess that we have not made enough of our unity in Christ and focused too much on our differences. We have become harsh critics, judges, and gossips. We have not extended to one another the grace, mercy, charity, pity, kindness, and patience You have lavished on us in Your Son. Renew us, that we may live out our friendship with You in our friendships with each other. Friend, Father, Lord, and Savior, please forgive us our sins. In Christ’s name, Amen.

MOMENT FOR SILENT CONFESSION OF PERSONAL SIN

PROMISE OF PARDONING GRACE..... Hebrews 10:19-22

Leader: Therefore, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus...let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

CHORAL ANTHEM.....*Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)*

Lyrics pg. 6

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH..... Elder, Dan Burns

WORSHIP THROUGH THE GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

† **DOXOLOGY AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING**

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

HYMN OF PREPARATION *Blest Be the Ties That Bind*
Hymn No. 359 (vs. 1-3, 6)

READING OF GOD’S WORD 3 John 1-8
Bible pg. 1307

PROCLAIMING AND HEARING GOD’S WORD

“The Blessing of Being a Godly Friend”

† **HYMN OF RESPONSE** *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*
Lyrics pg. 7

† **BENEDICTION**..... Romans 15:5-7

Leader: May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

GOD COMMUNICATES WITH US
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.

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

3 John 1-8

Question: How can we grow deeper and more meaningful friendships?

I. BEING A GODLY BLESSING TO FRIENDS (1-4)

II. BEING A GODLY BLESSING TO OTHERS (5-8)

CHORAL ANTHEM

Untitled Hymn

Weak and wounded sinner
Lost and left to die
O raise your head for Love is passin' by
Come to Jesus
Come to Jesus
Come to Jesus and live

Now your burden's lifted
And carried far away
And precious blood has washed away the stain
So sing to Jesus
Sing to Jesus
Sing to Jesus and live

Like a newborn baby
Don't be afraid to crawl
And remember when you walk sometimes we fall
So fall on Jesus
Fall on Jesus
Fall on Jesus and live

Sometimes the way is lonely
And steep and filled with pain
So if your sky is dark and pours the rain
Then cry to Jesus
Cry to Jesus
Cry to Jesus and live

O and when the love spills over
And music fills the night
And when you can't contain your joy inside
Then dance for Jesus
Dance for Jesus
Dance for Jesus and live

And with your final heartbeat
Kiss the world good-bye
Then go in peace and laugh on glory's side
And fly to Jesus
Fly to Jesus
Fly to Jesus and live
Fly to Jesus
Fly to Jesus
Fly to Jesus and live

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HYMN OF RESPONSE

Jesus Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul,
Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,
'Til life's storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide;
Receive my soul at last.

Other refuge have I none,
I helpless, hang on Thee;
Leave, oh leave me not alone,
Support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed,
All help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head
In the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, are all I want,
Here more than all I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy Name,
I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am;
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
Let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart;
For all eternity.

Charles Wesley
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