

THE LAMINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*We are a family of faith wrapping our arms around God's world
and making Jesus Christ a way of life*

through **worship**, as we praise and glorify God;
through **study**, as we listen for God's Word in body, mind and spirit;
through **mission**, as we embody God's love in service to the world;
through **giving**, as we express gratitude to God;
through **fellowship**, as we love and care for one another.



FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP
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June 24, 2018

10:15AM

*“But he was in the stern, asleep on the cushion;
and they woke him up and said to him,
‘Teacher, do you not care that we are perishing?’”*
-Mark 4:38

PREPARATION FOR THE WORD

RINGING THE BELL

PRELUDE

Old and Lost Rivers

Tobias Picker

“Driving east from Houston on Interstate 10,
you will come to a high bridge which crosses many winding bayous.
These bayous were left behind by the great wanderings over time
of the Trinity River across the land. When it rains the bayous
fill with water and begin to flow. At other times—when it is dry—they
evaporate and grow green in the sun. The two main bayous are called
Old River and Lost River. Where they converge, a sign reads:

Old and Lost Rivers.”

Tobias Picker

WELCOME

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

People: And also with you.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Christie Whitman

Leader: We gather in this place to worship our God:

People: calm Presence in our times of confusion,

Leader: Comforter in our nights of struggle.

People: We gather with fellow pilgrims,

Leader: as we seek to follow Jesus:

People: Brother to those swamped by fears,

Leader: Friend to all overwhelmed by loss.

People: We are brought together by the Spirit

Leader: who lives in the depths of our souls:

People: the Serenity who travels with us

Leader: on this up-and-down journey we call life.

* GATHERING HYMN 267 “All Things Bright and Beautiful”

ROYAL OAK

* INVITATION TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**When night falls, O Lord,
and fears prowl the shadows of our days,
you whisper, 'Peace! Be still!'
to our hammering hearts.**

**Yet, we confess how seldom we are able
to trust you completely,
to give over to you
not only our confidence
but also our worries.**

**You have promised never to leave us nor forsake us,
yet, more often than not,
we assume we must go it alone.**

**And we confess, as well,
how often we allow our fears
to transform themselves into anger,
to the pain and hurt of those around us.**

**Help us to win the battle against our worst selves,
so that, by your grace, our best selves may triumph
and love may emerge the victor.**

In Jesus' name we ask it. Amen.

* KYRIE

**You are the Lord, giver of mercy!
You are the Christ, giver of mercy!
You are the Lord, giver of mercy!**

* ASSURANCE OF GOD'S PARDON

* CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE (Hymn 576)

**Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!
Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!**

Jacques Berthier

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING 1 Samuel 17:1a, 4-11, 19-23, 32-49

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

(Children through 7th Grade are excused to go with their teachers to church school.)

SOLO

Kinderszenen, Op. 15

Robert Schumann

I. Vom fremden Ländern und Menschen

SECOND READING

Mark 4:35-41

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"The Still Point"

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

* HYMN 345

“Dear Lord and Father of Mankind”

REST

* AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*The Apostles' Creed*)

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and
buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he
ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of
saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life
everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY In Evening Air

Aaron Copland

“I see, in evening air,
How slowly dark comes down on what we do.”

Theodore Roethke

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

* DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592)

**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 SENDING

* SENDING HYMN 403

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”

CONVERSE

* BENEDICTION

* POSTLUDE

Davidsbündlertänze, Op. 6
II. Innig

Robert Schumann

** All who are able please stand*

Welcome to Lamington: If you are a guest, please fill out the information card in the pew and return it in the offering plate or to the pastor or usher at the end of the service. The church office hours are Monday-Friday from 10:00AM-3:00PM, phone: (908) 572-7013, email: lamingtonchurch@gmail.com. If you have a pastoral care emergency and need assistance immediately, please contact Pastor Carl Wilton at (908) 910-5360.

Today's Worship Notes

The flowers on the Communion Table have been given to the Glory of God by Lynn and Mac Carter in gratitude to all the joy in their life.

Our lives are so often hectic and harried. A useful talent indeed is finding the still point: that place where we can, for a moment, cease doing and simply be. It takes practice to dwell in the silence and be wholly present there: but once we learn what it's like, we can return there again and again, trusting our Lord to be there too.

DEACONS: John Gordon and Hunter Lewis LITURGIST: Christie Whitman
COFFEE HOUR HOST: Dorita & Ron Pawilkowski

Prayer Requests, Joys, and Concerns

Prayer Request Cards can be found in the pews. Please place your request(s) in the offertory plate, or email/phone the church office at lamingtonchurch@gmail.com / (908) 572-7013. Please remember to keep the church office updated on prayer requests submitted.

We Pray For...

- ✝ **Rose Marie Hunter**, who suffers from chronic pancreatic and immune system problems. We pray for strength and healing; we pray for comfort and relief during her bouts of discomfort and pain
- ✝ **Harry Carpenter**, who is at home recuperating. We pray for strength, healing and a speedy recovery.

Church Staff

The Rev. Dr. Carl Wilton, PASTOR
James Goldsworthy, DIRECTOR OF MUSIC;
Regina Morris, OFFICE MANAGER
Bess Ploener, DIRECTOR OF HANDBELLS & ALTO SECTION LEADER
Katie Cloys, SOPRANO SECTION LEADER
John Cloys, TENOR SECTION LEADER
Mary Ann Scott and Susan Scott, SUNDAY NURSERY CARE
Lori Larsen, CHURCH TREASURER (*volunteer*)

The Upcoming Week

Sunday, June 24	10:15AM 10:30AM	Worship Church School—last Sunday before summer recess
Sunday, July 1	10:15AM	Worship—Communion Sunday
Wednesday, July 4	Office Closed	Independence Day

Note: Next Session Meeting is on Monday, July 9 at 6:00PM.



**Summer Worship at LPC
10:15AM**

That's right, you read that correctly -- on Sundays, Lamington Church will continue to worship at 10:15AM all year long! (In earlier years, we changed to an earlier worship hour during the summer.) After receiving many requests and suggestions to keep worship the same time all year round, the Session has decided to keep the worship hour at 10:15AM. Kids are welcome to worship with their parents, even when Church School is in summer recess--last day of Sunday Church School is June 24. Nursery care will continue to be provided for the younger set.