



# Longview Evangelical Presbyterian Church

*Coming together  
to know Christ and to make him known.*

## Youth Sunday & Senior Convocation

May 5, 2019

### GATHERING SONG

*Lord, I Need You*

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Youth Ensemble

### \*WELCOME

Zoie Taliaferro

Leader: My friends, why are you here?

**People: To glorify God and enjoy him.**

Leader: What do you need?

**People: Power to live an authentic life. Freedom to be honest.**

**Joy to communicate. Hope to begin again. Daring to become involved in the wounds of the world.**

Leader: These are gifts to be discovered in the giver of life himself.

He is here as he promised. Praise the Lord!

**People: The Lord's name be praised!**

### \*This I Believe (The Creed)

Refrain: I believe in God our Father. I believe in Christ the Son.

I believe in the Holy Spirit. Our God is three in One.

I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again.

For I believe in the Name of Jesus

Our Father everlasting, the all creating One God Almighty.

Through Your Holy Spirit conceiving Christ the Son Jesus our Savior. [Refrain]

Our judge and our defender suffered and crucified. Forgiveness is in You.

Descended into darkness, You rose in glorious life forever, seated high. [Refrain]

I believe in You. I believe You rose again. I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Ben Fielding, Matt Crocker et al.  
2014 Hillsong Music Publishing (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

### \* Cornerstone

Refrain: Christ alone cornerstone. Weak, made strong in the Savior's love.

Through the storm He is Lord, Lord of all.

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness.

I dare not trust the sweetest frame but wholly trust in Jesus' Name.

When darkness seems to hide His face, I rest on His unchanging grace.

In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

My anchor holds within the veil.

Edward Mote, Eric Liljero, et al.  
2011 Hillsong Music Publishing (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

### Welcome!

This morning we will be celebrating the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. If you have not professed faith in Christ or if you are hearing the gospel for the first time, though you will not be partaking of the sacrament, it is our privilege to welcome you here. Perhaps what you experience will raise questions for you. After the service, we will be eager to talk with you further about the joy of our life in Christ and the significance of this celebration in our life together. If you have professed faith in Jesus Christ, we are honored to be worshipping with you this morning!

*Hearing devices are available in the Narthex.*

*Please sign the friendship pads located at the end of each pew.*

**Today is Youth Sunday!** So much of American culture breaks up generations. We are taught its best for everyone to separate into places for children, places for youth, places for families, places for adults, places for retirees and so on. But the Bible teaches a wholeness of community. While there is benefit in peer-relationships, it is not to be to the exclusion of living life inter-generationally! Today we celebrate this belief as we sit under the leadership of our youth and listen to their stories of love for Jesus.

## PRAYER OF ADORATION

Blaine Wright

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing (Nettleton)*

Come Thou fount of ev'ry blessing. Tune my heart to sing Thy grace.  
Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it mount of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer, hither by Thy help I'm come.  
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger wand'ring from the fold of God.  
He to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be.  
Let Thy grace now like a fetter bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it. Prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, Lord, take and seal it. Seal it for Thy courts above.

*John Wyeth, Robert Robinson*  
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## SCRIPTURE LESSON

Ephesians 4:1-7

Lauren Stoddard

## FAITH JOURNEY

Landon Ashley

## FAITH JOURNEY

Sophie Bunn

## FAITH JOURNEY

Cameron Foy

## MORNING PRAYER

Wren Knapp

## THE LORD'S SUPPER

Doug Ashley

### Invitation

If you are a baptized Christian who actively trusts in Jesus Christ for salvation and are willing to forsake your sin, you are welcome to take Holy Communion this morning. If you are wrestling with the claims of Jesus and his place in your life, this time is still for you. Rather than coming forward to take the elements, please remain seated and contemplate taking Christ himself. The prayers that follow are supplied for your consideration.\*\*

*Prayer for Those Searching for Truth.* Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open me to the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

*Prayer of Belief.* Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Prayer of Commitment.* Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship through membership in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

### Prayer of Confession

Hope Jehorek

***Lord Jesus, we consider the bulk of relationships in our lives and confess that far too often annoyance comes more quickly than patience; retaliation more readily than forgiveness; and being served more easily than serving.***

***Forgive us and change us to be more like you. In your name we pray. Amen.***

Words of Institution

Distribution of Elements

Music for The Lord's Supper

*Oceans (Where Feet May Fall)*

Joel Houston, Matt Crocker, et al.  
2012 Hillsong Music Publishing (Admin. by Capitol CMG Publishing)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer

Daniel Fourie

**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.**

\*Passing of the Peace

*\*Amazing Grace*

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found, was blind but now I see.  
  
When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Edwin Othello Excell, John Newton, et al.  
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**THE LORD AT WORK THROUGH LONGVIEW EPC**

Jason Hubbard

*\*Lord, I Need You*

Refrain: Lord, I need You. Oh, I need You.  
Ev'ry hour I need You.  
My one defense, my righteousness.  
Oh, God, how I need You.

Lord, I come. I confess, bowing here I find my rest.  
And without You I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart. [Refrain]

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more.  
Where grace is found is where You are.

So teach my song to rise to You  
when temptation comes my way.  
And when I cannot stand, I'll fall on You.  
Jesus You're my hope and stay. [Refrain]

You're my one defense, my righteousness.  
Oh, God, how I need You.

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**\*BENEDICTION**

Seniors

**\*MUSIC SELECTION**

*\*Please stand as able*

\*\*Prayers from Redeemer Presbyterian Church of New York City

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**What does "sacrament" mean?**

This morning we celebrate the sacrament of the Lord's Supper (also called Communion). We get the word "sacrament" from the Latin *sacramentum* which means "mystery" or "secret." Unlike those who believe the sacraments (baptism and the Lord's Supper) are merely rites commanded by Jesus to perform, the Bible teaches that there is something more spiritually mysterious and profound about these acts. The mystery is that Christ is uniquely present in these observances in a way that is like no other. They are beautiful yet mysterious encounters with Jesus Himself. For instance, in the Lord's Supper, we don't merely remember Christ's sacrifice, we mysteriously "participate" in it (see 1 Cor. 10:16). And in baptism, we do not merely depict salvation, we are actually united to Christ and His death (see Rom 6:4). Sacraments are more than mere rituals, for in them we experience Christ Himself. Our veiled understanding of the details of how this occurs is precisely why they are, and ever will be, a mystery.

# Sunday, May 5, 2019 Announcements & Information

## YOUTH SUNDAY AND SENIOR LUNCHEON TODAY:

- Please stay for the convocation following worship honoring our graduating seniors.
- Catered lunch is for everyone. Please stay and join in the fellowship time.

**MEN'S SOCIAL, MAY 11, 5:00 - 7:00 PM:** Gentlemen, please join us for hamburgers at Buck Birdsong's hay barn on Hamby Road. Reservations are needed (so we know how many hamburgers to cook) and can be made on the friendship pad, by calling the church office at (903) 234-0032, or email [frontoffice@epclongview.org](mailto:frontoffice@epclongview.org). Let us know if you need directions.

## VBS ROAR ! "LIFE IS WILD—GOD IS GOOD": JUNE 10 - 14, 9 AM - NOON, FOR CHILDREN ENTERING 4K-5TH GRADES

**REGISTRATION:** Please have your children join us for this fun-filled week of exploring more about God's goodness and in celebrating a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life. Take a card for friends, neighbors, and co-workers! Register by calling the church office or email Carrie. ONLINE Registration also available on our website home page [www.longviewepc.org](http://www.longviewepc.org). or on our facebook page.

**VOLUNTEERS: SIGN UP NOW!** Are you ready to ROAR? Vacation Bible School is stampeding our way and we need your help! We will need volunteers to lead crews (hang out with some cool kids), teach Bible stories, make snacks, play some amazing games, make crafts, build fun gizmos, sing, and have an amazing week! This is our church's chance to share the love of Christ with over 100 kids from own church and the surrounding community! You can sign up on our website [longviewepc.org](http://longviewepc.org) or in the foyer.

**DONATIONS:** We are gathering gear for VBS, and there are so many ways you can help! You can order online by clicking the **VBS Amazon Wish List button** at [longviewepc.org](http://longviewepc.org) (all items will ship directly to the church). You can also pick a "leaf" off the vine in the foyer. If you pick a leaf, make sure to write your name next to the corresponding number on the clipboard. Please deliver your donations to the church office **WITH the tag attached**. This will help the VBS Leadership Team know exactly where each item will be used. Thank you for helping us prepare for this year's ROAR VBS!

**MOTHER'S DAY CELEBRATION CHOIR:** C'mon, men! Let's do it again!! Meet us in the choir loft on Sunday, May 12, at 8:30 a.m. and sing to the moms of the church that morning. Don't worry, we will dismiss you mid-service to sit with your special lady. We will also have donuts and coffee for your trouble. Can't read music? Don't sing well? We gotcha covered! Please contact David Luna at with any questions. See you there!!

## NURSERY AND TODDLER CHILDCARE SIGN-UPS:

Spots are available to serve in May and June! Visit [www.epclongview.org](http://www.epclongview.org), click the Connect tab and select the Children's Ministry page to sign-up online. Talk to Carrie if you are interested in volunteering.

## NEW TO LONGVIEW EPC?

Please pick up a mug in the foyer.

For more information, please see the "Get Connected" flyer near the coffee.

**Prayer Ministry:** Confidential prayer requests may be made by emailing [prayerteam@epclongview.org](mailto:prayerteam@epclongview.org) or by using the cards located in the friendship pads. Monthly prayer calendars are available in the foyer.

**Tithes and Offerings:** are received through the wooden boxes found at each entrance to the sanctuary, or checks mailed to the office, and electronically via the website. The website also offers a credit/debit card option.

**Parents and kids:** Special activity bags in the foyer.

**Blankets are available** on the table in the rear of the sanctuary for your comfort.

## THIS WEEK:

Wednesday - Youth Bible Studies  
6:30 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal (Men Only)  
Saturday - 5:00 p.m. - Men's Social

## SAVE THE DATE:

June 2—Commissioning Sunday

## NURSERY :

**May 5:** Infants: volunteers needed

Toddlers: volunteers needed

**May 12:** Infants: Lauren Stoddard & volunteer needed

Toddlers: Chad Johnson and volunteer needed

## USHERS & GREETERS

Morning openers: Bob & Barbara Linthicum

**May 5:** Head Usher: Buck Birdsong

Kyle Ashley, Hayes Daugbjerg, Marshall Daugbjerg, Aidan Frazier & Erick Van Zyl

**May 12:** Head Usher: William McCluskey

Wil White, Cody Parks, Ralph & Kathy Diamond

## SAFETY TEAM:

**May 5:** Fred Irwin & Chad Johnson

**May 12:** Wil White & Todd Parks

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Worship 9:30 • Sunday Classes 10:50

## RULING ELDERS

Gena Bunn '19  
Michael McMahon '19  
Matt Yost '19  
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