

# Sermon Notes

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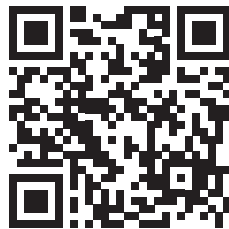
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## NEW MEMBERS CLASS

Have you been curious about becoming a member at LPC? Are you curious about what that even means? Come to our New Members Class happening January 15 - February 12 during the 10 a.m. Sunday School hour. On February 19 at noon there will be a luncheon for you to meet members of Session and if you choose to join, you will be approved into membership. Learn all about LPC, what it means to be a member, and how you can get involved at a deeper level!

Questions? Contact the church office at 513-932-2751 or email [gabrielle@lebanonpresbyterian.org](mailto:gabrielle@lebanonpresbyterian.org).



SCAN TO SIGN UP FOR THE NEW MEMBERS CLASS

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COMING UP AT LPC



# SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY MORNINGS 9:45 A.M. | EVERYONE WELCOME

## ADULT CLASSES | CLASSROOM/OFFICE WING

### Faith Weavers

Jim Vandegrift  
Room 102

### Faith Explorers

Gary Ensing  
Room 313

### Bible in Life

Jim Garrett  
Room 306

### Parents Connecting

Christy Johnson  
John Untener  
Room 307

### S.A.L.T Class

Room 309

### Vintage

Parents & Teens  
Grades 7-12  
LPC Student Center

## VINTAGE | LPC STUDENT CENTER

Jr High/High School students and Parents are invited to a time of student led devotion and a mix of large and small group discussions. Please join us as we breathe life into something old.

## CHILDREN'S CLASSES | UPPER LEVEL

LPC offers children a chance to learn about God's Word every Sunday from 9:45 until 10:45am. Children's classes are organized according to age groups and taught by vibrant, exciting, and knowledgeable Christian teachers.

**NURSERY CARE:** On Sunday mornings, nursery care is offered for children three and under. The nursery provides a warm, loving, fun and safe environment for children.

**PRESCHOOL - 4TH GRADE:** These classes journey chronologically through the Bible, learning about God and His great love for them and how what they learn about in class can be applied to their lives.

**ENGAGE 5TH & 6TH GRADE:** This class delves into deep topics that preteens begin to have as they strive to make their faith their own. Each week, they will discuss a hard to answer faith question and look at what the Bible has to say about it.

## NURSERY/FAMILY ROOM

We have a staffed nursery located between the Ark and the Welcome Center. We also have a Family Room with worship audio located next to our Welcome Center.

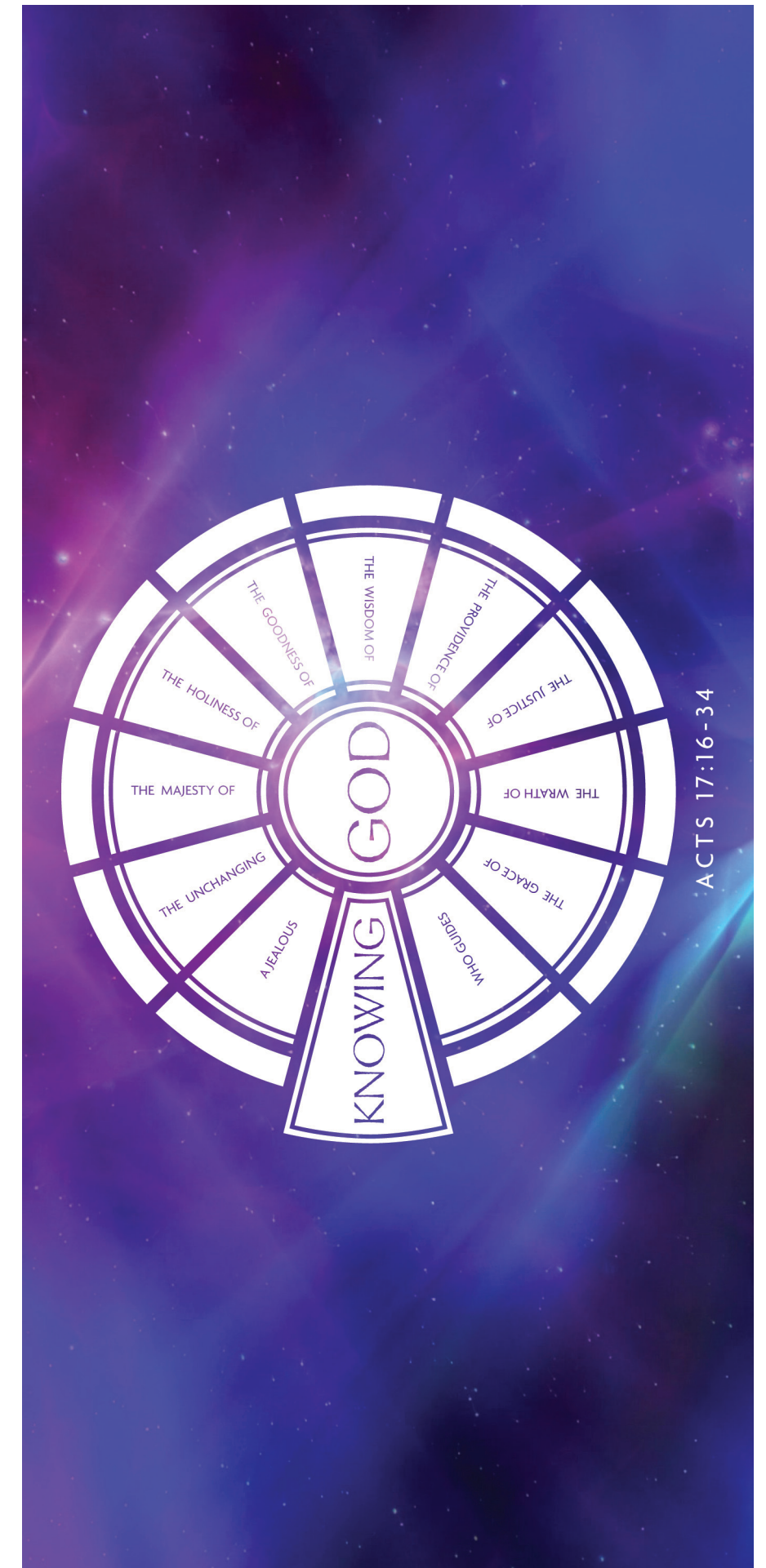
### LEBANON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# Sunday, January 8, 2023

8:30 & 10 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

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## *We Gather*

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** The Rev. Peter Larson

**PRELUDE**

*Do You Hear What I Hear?* Regney-Shayne Leslie Catchpole

**CALL TO WORSHIP\*** The Rev. Peter Larson

*Jeremiah 9:23-24*

Leader: This is what the LORD says: Let not the wise boast about their wisdom,

**People:** Or the strong boast about their strength or the rich boast about their riches,

Leader: But let the one who boasts boast about this: that they have understanding to know me,

**All:** That I am the LORD, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness in the earth, for in these I delight, declares the LORD.

**OPENING HYMN\*** Hymn 50

*Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above*

## *We Pray*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION** Andrew Johnson 8:30

The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz 10:00

Gracious LORD Jesus, you have revealed yourself in creation, in scripture and in your Son Jesus Christ, so that we might know you. And yet, we keep inventing idols for ourselves – false gods that take your place. We turn good things into ultimate things. We turn earthly things into absolutes. Instead of putting you first in our lives, we worship success, money, family, health, fitness, sports, sex, alcohol or entertainment. We believe these things will give us joy, fulfillment and meaning in life. And when our false gods fail us, we feel anger, despair and disappointment. Forgive us, LORD, for making idols. Forgive us, for putting these things at the center of our lives. By your Holy Spirit, remove the idols that clutter our hearts. Give us grace, that we would worship you alone. We pray in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, AMEN.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**RESPONSE\***

*Father, I Adore You*

Father, I adore You; lay my life before you.

How I love you!

Jesus, I adore You; lay my life before you,

How I love you!

Spirit, I adore you; lay my life before you,

How I love you!

## *We Give Back to God*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

Brad Heath 8:30

Tom Way 10:00

**OFFERTORY**

*Go Tell It on the Mountain* arr. Hayes

Rachel Sachs, Soprano

Daniel Sachs, Piano

## *We Hear the Word*

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING**

*Genesis 28:10-22*

Pew Bible pages 20-21

Tari Heath 8:30

Rick Oliver 10:00

**HYMN\***

*Wonderful Words of Life*

Hymn 309

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**

*Acts 17:16-34*

Pew Bible pages 785-786

**SERMON**

Knowing God

The Rev. Peter Larson

**THE APOSTLES' CREED**

The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz

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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

**SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION**

## *We Go Out Into the World*

**CLOSING HYMN\***

*Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

Hymn 62

**BENEDICTION**

The Rev. Peter Larson

**POSTLUDE**

*He Is Born, the Divine Christ Child* arr. Tornquist

Leslie Catchpole

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11 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS** The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz

**CALL TO WORSHIP\*** The Rev. Stephanie Poblenz

**SONGS OF PRAISE\***

*Joy to the World (Unspeakable Joy)*

*He Has Come For Us*

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**SONG OF RESPONSE**

*He Has Come For Us (reprise)*

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

**OFFERTORY**

*King of Kings*

**SCRIPTURE READING**

*Acts 17:16-34*

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**HOLY COMMUNION**

**SENDING SONG\***

*Go Tell It*

**BENEDICTION**

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