

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

JUNE 15, 2025

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 100

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing. Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his.

All: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above | No. 4

MIT FREUDEN ZART

Stanzas 1, 2, and 5 (alt)

All praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,
The God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul he fills, the God who every sorrow stills.
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made his gracious mercy keepeth,
By morning dawn or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of his might, lo, all is just and all is right.
To God all praise and glory!

We, who confess Christ's holy name, to God give thanks and glory!
We, who the Father's power proclaim, to God give thanks and glory!
All idols underfoot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from John 14.1-3

Minister: What words of comfort has Christ spoken to calm our troubled hearts?

All: Do not let your hearts be troubled. You believe in God; believe also in me. My Father's house has many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me, that you also may be where I am.

SONG OF PRAISE

Come to Jesus (Rest in Him)

Kauflin, Merker

Are you weary, heavy laden? Come and lay your burdens down.
Jesus calls you, Jesus draws you; rest in Him.
He is gentle, He is lowly, He delights to bring us peace,
Tender Shepherd, mighty Savior: rest in Him.

*Chorus: How sure His compassion for us!
Oh how deep is His love.
So come, come to Jesus and rest in Him.*

Are you hopeless, are you guilty? Caught in shame for all your sin?
He pursues you to forgive you; rest in Him.
He has paid for every failure, mercy flows in endless streams,
Come and follow, freedom calls you: rest in Him.

Chorus

Are you waiting in your sorrows for this broken world to heal?
He is coming, soon returning; rest in Him.
We will see Him, we will know Him, O what heights of grace revealed,
From His kindness, every promise then fulfilled.
Trust in Jesus, He will keep us to the end.

Chorus

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

Minister: Let us confess our sins before our righteous and holy God.

All: Heavenly Father, we acknowledge before You that we have sinned deeply against You, not only in outward actions but also through inward blindness, unbelief, doubt, despondency, impatience, pride, covetousness, envy, hatred, and other sinful desires. We repent of these things, trusting in Your mercy, knowing that You are a loving and gracious Father to all who turn to You. We humbly ask that You deal with us according to Your mercy, not according to our sins, and forgive us for the sake of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER

Children's Time

After the intercessory prayer, children in kindergarten through 3rd grade and their teachers may exit the sanctuary through the north doors of the sanctuary.

Teachers will return with the children after the sermon. Parents may meet them by the north entrance, or children may join their parents at their seats.

OFFERINGS

Online giving is available at any time at providencedallas.givingfire.com or using the QR code on the back of the bulletin. You may also place offerings in the white boxes on the lobby tables before or after the service.

SCRIPTURE READING*

1 Corinthians 1.18-2.5

1 ¹⁸ For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. ¹⁹ For it is written: "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise; the intelligence of the intelligent I will frustrate." ²⁰ Where is the wise person? Where is the teacher of the law? Where is the philosopher of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? ²¹ For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe. ²² Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, ²³ but we preach Christ crucified: a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, ²⁴ but to those whom God has called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

²⁶ Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. ²⁸ God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things-- and the things that are not-- to nullify the things that are, ²⁹ so that no one may boast before him. ³⁰ It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God-- that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption. ³¹ Therefore, as it is written: "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

2 ¹ And so it was with me, brothers. When I came to you, I did not come with eloquence or human wisdom as I proclaimed to you the testimony about God. ² For I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified. ³ I came to you in weakness with great fear and trembling. ⁴ My message and my preaching were not with wise and persuasive words, but with a demonstration of the Spirit's power, ⁵ so that your faith might not rest on human wisdom, but on God's power. (NIV)

SERMON

Losing Ourselves, Finding Christ

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

The King in All His Beauty

Papa, Boswell

O lift your eyes to heaven, see the Holy One eternal.
Behold the Lord of majesty, exalted in His temple.
As symphonies of angels' praise now strain to sound His glory.
Come worship, fall before His grace, the King in all His beauty.

*Refrain: How worthy, how worthy,
How worthy, the King in all His beauty.*

Now see the King who wears a crown, one made of shame and splinters.
The sacrifice for ruined man, the substitute for sinners.
As earth is stained with royal blood, and quakes with love and fury.
He breathes His last and bows His head, the King in all His beauty.

*Refrain: How worthy, how worthy,
How worthy, the King in all His beauty.*

Now see the Savior lifted up, the Lamb who reigns in splendor.
The hope of every tribe and tongue, His kingdom is forever.
Bring praise and honor to His courts. Bring wisdom, power, blessing.
For endless ages we'll adore the King in all His beauty.

Refrain

Repeat Refrain

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S TABLE

All those who trust in Christ alone for their salvation, are baptized, and belong to a Bible believing church are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper together, feeding on the grace of God by faith. If you have not put your trust in Christ, please allow the elements to pass you by and take this opportunity to meditate on the meaning of the Gospel.

A word to parents: Baptized children are invited to the table after they have made a profession of faith and been received as communing members by the Session of the church to which their parents belong.

*Please hold the bread, and we will partake together. Please drink the cup as you receive it.
The outer ring is grape juice, and the inner rings are wine.*

During the bread

Lamb of God

T. Paris

Your only Son no sin to hide,
But You have sent Him from Your side,
To walk upon this guilty sod,
And to become the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love they crucified.
They laughed and scorned Him as He died.
The humble King, they named a fraud,
And sacrificed the Lamb of God.

Chorus:

*Oh Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God,
I love the Holy Lamb of God.
Oh wash me in His precious blood,
My Jesus Christ the Lamb of God.*

I was so lost I should have died,
But You have brought me to Your side,
To be led by Your staff and rod,
And to be called a lamb of God.

Chorus

*During the cup
Instrumental*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

Who Shall Ascend the Mountain of the Lord | No. 292

ENGELBERG

Stanzas 1, 2, and 5

Who shall ascend the mountain of the Lord,
To search the mystery in heaven stored,
The knowledge of the Holy One adored? Alleluia!

One King alone, whose hands and heart are pure,
One Servant of the Lord with purpose sure,
Can enter in that glory to endure. Alleluia!

He shall ascend the mountain of the Lord,
The King of glory, whose own blood outpoured
Paid that dear price that mercy did afford. Alleluia!

BENEDICTION*

Minister: May the blessing of God Almighty, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, be
with you all now and forever.