

# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Order of Worship*

MARCH 8, 2026

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*from Psalm 62*

Minister: Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him. He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken.

**All: Yes, my soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him. He alone is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken. My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge. Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION\*

HYMN\*

*Come Thou Almighty King | No. 101*

TRINITY

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing,  
Help us to praise: Father, all glorious,  
O'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword,  
Our prayer attend: come and thy people bless,  
And give thy Word success, Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour. Thou who almighty art,  
Now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be,  
Hence evermore. His sovereign majesty  
May we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

from Romans 6:4–11; Colossians 3:1–3

Minister: Christian, what is true of us in Christ?

**All:** We have been buried with Christ through baptism into death, so that just as He was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. We have died, and our life is now hidden with Christ in God. Therefore, we consider ourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus. We set our minds on things above, not on earthly things, for when Christ who is our life appears, we also will appear with Him in glory.

## SONG OF PRAISE

### *Only a Holy God*

CityAlight

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?  
Who else could make ev'ry king bow down?  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?  
Only a Holy God.

What other beauty demands such praises?  
What other splendor outshines the sun?  
What other majesty rules with justice?  
Only a Holy God.

*Chorus: Come and behold Him,  
The One and the Only.  
Cry out, sing holy,  
Forever a Holy God.  
Come and worship the Holy God.*

What other glory consumes like fire?  
What other power can raise the dead?  
What other name remains undefeated?  
Only a Holy God. *Chorus*

Who else could rescue me from my failing?  
Who else would offer His only Son?  
Who else invites me to call Him Father?  
Only a Holy God. *Chorus*

## PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

*from Isaiah 6:3-7; Hebrews 9:14*

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

**All:** Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of His glory. In the light of Your holiness, O God, we confess that we are a people of unclean lips. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, and we cannot make ourselves clean. Yet You have provided what we could not - a perfect sacrifice in Jesus Christ. Touch our lips with the burning coal of Your grace and purify us by His blood. Forgive us, O Lord, and make us fit to serve You. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

## PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Psalm 32:5*

I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I did not hide. I said, "I will confess my transgression to the Lord. And You did forgive the guilt of my sin."

## 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](http://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.*

SCRIPTURE READING\*

*Luke 15.11-32*

<sup>11</sup> And he said, "There was a man who had two sons. <sup>12</sup> And the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that is coming to me.' And he divided his property between them. <sup>13</sup> Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took a journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in reckless living. <sup>14</sup> And when he had spent everything, a severe famine arose in that country, and he began to be in need. <sup>15</sup> So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. <sup>16</sup> And he was longing to be fed with the pods that the pigs ate, and no one gave him anything.

<sup>17</sup> "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! <sup>18</sup> I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. <sup>19</sup> I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Treat me as one of your hired servants." <sup>20</sup> And he arose and came to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. <sup>21</sup> And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' <sup>22</sup> But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. <sup>23</sup> And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. <sup>24</sup> For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate.

<sup>25</sup> "Now his older son was in the field, and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. <sup>26</sup> And he called one of the servants and asked what these things meant. <sup>27</sup> And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fattened calf, because he has received him back safe and sound.' <sup>28</sup> But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, <sup>29</sup> but he answered his father, 'Look, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command, yet you never gave me a young goat, that I might celebrate with my friends. <sup>30</sup> But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fattened calf for him!' <sup>31</sup> And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. <sup>32</sup> It was fitting to celebrate and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.' "

SERMON

*Two Ways to Be Lost, One Way Back*

*Rev. David Rea*

## HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

### *O Church, Arise*

*Getty, Townend*

O church, arise, and put your armor on,  
Hear the call of Christ our Captain.  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
In the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth,  
We'll stand against the devil's lies,  
An army bold, whose battle cry is love,  
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,  
But to rage against the captor,  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,  
We will fight with faith and valor.  
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,  
We know the outcome is secure,  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died,  
An inheritance of nations.

So Spirit come, put strength in ev'ry stride,  
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,  
That we may run with faith to win the prize  
Of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way,  
Retelling triumphs of His grace,  
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day  
When with Christ we stand in Glory.

## 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*

**Jesus, I Come**

SLEEPER THOMPSON

*Stanzas 1, 2 and 4*

Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night,  
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come.  
Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light,  
Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of my sickness, into Thy health,  
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,  
Out of my sin and into Thyself,  
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss,  
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come.  
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross,  
Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm,  
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm,  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,  
Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,  
Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come.  
Into the joy and light of Thy home,  
Jesus, I come to Thee.  
Out of the depths of ruin untold,  
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,  
Ever Thy glorious face to behold,  
Jesus, I come to Thee.

*During the cup*  
*Instrumental*

**CLOSING HYMN\***

***Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power | No. 300***  
*Stanzas 1, 3 and 4*

O QUANTA QUALIA

Blessing and honor and glory and power,  
Wisdom and riches and strength evermore  
Give ye to him who our battle hath won,  
Whose are the kingdom, the crown and the throne.

Ever ascendeth the song and the joy,  
Ever descendeth the love from on high,  
Blessing and honor and glory and praise-  
This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb,  
Take we the robe and the harp and the palm,  
Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,  
Dying in weakness, but rising to reign.

**BENEDICTION\***

*Numbers 6:24-26*

Minister: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.