

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 145

Minister: I will exalt you, my God the King; I will praise your name for ever and ever. Every day I will praise you and extol your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise; his greatness no one can fathom.

All: One generation commends your works to another; they tell of your mighty acts. They speak of the glorious splendor of your majesty, and we meditate on your wonderful works. The Lord is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and rich in love.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Christ the Lord is Risen Today | No. 277

EASTER HYMN

Stanzas 1, 3, and 4

“Christ the Lord is ris’n today,” Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say, Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high, Alleluia!
Sing ye heav’ns, and earth, reply. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King, Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died, our souls to save, Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Foll’wing our exalted Head, Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise, Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Alleluia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

adapted from John 10:27–29

Minister: Christian, what assurance do we have of our salvation?

All: Christ's sheep listen to His voice; He knows them, and they follow Him. He gives them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of His hand. The Father, who has given them to Him, is greater than all, and no one can snatch them out of the Father's hand. This is our confession: our salvation does not rest on our own grip on God, but on His grip on us. We are held, not because we are strong, but because He is faithful.

SONG OF PRAISE

I Am Not My Own

Getty, Peterson

(Please see sheet music on page 8.)

The One who made the heavens, made my heart and soul;
Before I drew a breath, I was loved and known.
I am His creation, the Maker's masterpiece;
And all that He designs will be done in me.

My body is a temple of the living God.
I'll worship in this house that His blood has bought.
As I bear His image, oh, may I not profane
The holiness I hold in this earthly frame.

*Chorus: I belong to the Lord, oh, I am not my own.
I belong to the Lord, I am not my own.
I will honor Him for this I know:
I belong to the Lord, I am not my own.*

And if He has redeemed me, I am not my own.
The measure of my worth is His love alone.
He declares my standing, and He declares my state.
So I will know myself by the name He gave. *Chorus*

I am not my own, and now my heart is free.
O Maker, come and make what You will of me.
There is nothing broken that You cannot repair;
So Lord, I leave my life in Your loving care. *Chorus*

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

All: Heavenly Father, You have promised that no one can snatch us from Your hand, yet we often live as though our security depended on our own strength. We frequently forget Your voice and follow after lesser voices that promise what they cannot give. We have repeatedly doubted that You hold us fast, even when our faith feels weak. Forgive us, merciful God. Quiet our anxious hearts with the truth that we are Yours and teach us to rest in the grip of Your unfailing hand. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free from the law of sin and death.

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.

SCRIPTURE READING*

Exodus 9-10

9 ¹³ Then the Lord said to Moses, "Rise up early in the morning and present yourself before Pharaoh and say to him, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of the Hebrews, "Let my people go, that they may serve me. ¹⁴ For this time I will send all my plagues on you yourself, and on your servants and your people, so that you may know that there is none like me in all the earth. ¹⁵ For by now I could have put out my hand and struck you and your people with pestilence, and you would have been cut off from the earth. ¹⁶ But for this purpose I have raised you up, to show you my power, so that my name may be proclaimed in all the earth. ¹⁷ You are still exalting yourself against my people and will not let them go. ¹⁸ Behold, about this time tomorrow I will cause very heavy hail to fall, such as never has been in Egypt from the day it was founded until now...³⁴ But when Pharaoh saw that the rain and the hail and the thunder had ceased, he sinned yet again and hardened his heart, he and his servants. ³⁵ So the heart of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did not let the people of Israel go, just as the Lord had spoken through Moses.

10 ¹ Then the Lord said to Moses, "Go in to Pharaoh, for I have hardened his heart and the heart of his servants, that I may show these signs of mine among them, ² and that you may tell in the hearing of your son and of your grandson how I have dealt harshly with the Egyptians and what signs I have done among them, that you may know that I am the Lord."...¹⁹ And the Lord turned the wind into a very strong west wind, which lifted the locusts and drove them into the Red Sea. Not a single locust was left in all the country of Egypt. ²⁰ But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he did not let the people of Israel go.

²¹ Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand toward heaven, that there may be darkness over the land of Egypt, a darkness to be felt." ²² So Moses stretched out his hand toward heaven, and there was pitch darkness in all the land of Egypt three days. ²³ They did not see one another, nor did anyone rise from his place for three days, but all the people of Israel had light where they lived. ²⁴ Then Pharaoh called Moses and said, "Go, serve the Lord; your little ones also may go with you; only let your flocks and your herds remain behind." ²⁵ But Moses said, "You must also let us have sacrifices and burnt offerings, that we may sacrifice to the Lord our God. ²⁶ Our livestock also must go with us; not a hoof shall be left behind, for we must take of them to serve the Lord our God, and we do not know with what we must serve the Lord until we arrive there." ²⁷ But the Lord hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go. ²⁸ Then Pharaoh said to him, "Get away from me; take care never to see my face again, for on the day you see my face you shall die." ²⁹ Moses said, "As you say! I will not see your face again."

SERMON

But For This Purpose

Mr. Chris Coleman

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

His Mercy is More

Boswell, Papa

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.

*Chorus: Praise the Lord, His mercy is more.
Stronger than darkness, new every morn,
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more.*

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father so tender is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. *Chorus*

What riches of kindness He lavished on us.
His blood was the payment, His life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford.
Our sins they are many, His mercy is more. *Chorus*

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

Fairest Lord Jesus | No. 170

CRUSADER'S HYMN

Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be thine.

During the cup

Instrumental

CLOSING HYMN*

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners!

HYFRYDOL

Stanzas 1, 3 and 4

Jesus, what a Friend for sinners! Jesus, lover of my soul,
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole.

Chorus: Hallelujah, what a Savior! Hallelujah, what a Friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! I do now receive Him, more than all in Him I find.
He has granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine. *Chorus*

Jesus, what a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking, he, my comfort, helps my soul. *Chorus*

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.