# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Order of Worship*

## NOVEMBER 1, 2026

### CALL TO WORSHIP* *Psalm 48:1-3, 9-10, 14*

Minister: Great is the Lord, and most worthy of praise, in the city of our God, his holy mountain. Mount Zion is beautiful in its loftiness, the joy of the whole earth, the city of the Great King. God is in her citadels; he has shown himself to be her fortress.

**All: Within your temple, O God, we meditate on your unfailing love. Like your name, O God, your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with righteousness. For this God is our God for ever and ever.**

### PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

### HYMN*

***A Mighty Fortress is Our God | No. 92*** EIN' FEST BURG

*Stanzas 1, 2 and 4*

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same,
And he must win the battle.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever.

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

*adapted from John 15:1-11; John 14:16-17*

Minister: Christian, how do we live in Christ?

**All:** **Christ is the vine, and we are the branches. Apart from Him we can do nothing, but if we remain in Him, we will bear much fruit. As the Father has loved Christ, so Christ has loved us. He has given us the Holy Spirit, the Helper who is with us and in us. By the Spirit's power we remain in His love and keep His commands, not to earn that love, but because we already live in it. He has told us these things so that His joy may be in us and our joy may be complete. This is our confession: we do not bear fruit by our own effort, but by the Spirit's power, as we abide in the One who abides in us.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

### *Before the Throne of God*

*Bancroft, Cook*

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great high Priest whose Name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
My name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands,
No tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there
Who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
My sinful soul is counted free.
For God the just is satisfied
To look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

## SONG OF PRAISE (CONT.)

Behold Him there the risen Lamb,
My perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM,
The King of glory and of grace,
One with Himself I cannot die.
My soul is purchased with His blood,
My life is hid with Christ on high,
With Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God!

## PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**All:** **Heavenly Father, Your commands are holy and good, and You have given us Your Spirit to help us keep them. Yet like the apostle Paul, we often sin by failing to do the good we want to do and doing the very things we do not want to do. We delight in Your law in our inner being, but we frequently find another law at work within us, waging war against our minds. Forgive us, merciful God, for apart from Christ we cannot obey You. By Your Spirit, keep us in Christ, that we may bear fruit that brings glory to You. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

## PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON *Romans 5:1*

Hear the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## NEW MEMBER VOWS

*Cole Davis*
*Nancy and Rick Gillham*

## 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 20.1-17***

1 And God spoke all these words, saying,

2 "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

3 "You shall have no other gods before me.

4 "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. 5 You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, 6 but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

7 "You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

8 "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9 Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. 11 For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore, the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

12 "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

13 "You shall not murder.

**SCRIPTURE READING* (CONT.)**

14 "You shall not commit adultery.

15 "You shall not steal.

16 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

17 "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

**SERMON** **Not Enough** *Rev. David Rea*

**HYMN OF RESPONSE***

***In Christ Alone*** *Getty, Townend*

In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song,
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all —
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied,
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid —
Here in the death of Christ I live.

## HYMN OF RESPONSE* (CONT.)

There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine,
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death —
This is the pow'r of Christ in me,
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand,
Till He returns or calls me home —
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

## 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*

***He Will Hold Me Fast*** *Merker*

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast.
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path,
For my love is often cold. He must hold me fast.

*Chorus: He will hold me fast. He will hold me fast.*
*For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast.
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost. His promises shall last.
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

*Chorus*

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast.
Justice has been satisfied. He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast,
'Til our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last!

*Chorus*

*During the cup*
*Instrumental*

## CLOSING HYMN*

***How Firm a Foundation | No. 94*** FOUNDATION

*Stanzas 1, 2, 4 and 6*

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,
Is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!
What more can he say than to you he has said,
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;
For I am your God, and will still give you aid;
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand."

When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient shall be your supply;
The flame shall not hurt you; I only design
Your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

## 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.

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