

# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Order of Worship*

AUGUST 30, 2020

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*from Hebrews 4.14-16*

Minister: Therefore, since we have a great high priest who has gone through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to the faith we profess.

**All: For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses,**

Minister: But we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are – yet was without sin.

**All: Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in our time of need.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION\*

HYMN\*

**Holy, Holy, Holy!** | No. 100  
*Stanzas 1, 3, and 4*

NICAEA

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;  
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,  
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee  
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!  
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth and sky and sea;  
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

*a responsive reading from Genesis 1.26-28*

Minister: Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.”

**All: So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.**

Minister: God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number,

**All: Fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”**

## SONG OF PRAISE

### *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  
'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last! *Chorus*

## PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

*adapted from Prone to Wander: Prayers of Confession and Celebration*

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

**All: Father of mercy, though you have adopted us into your family and forgiven our sins, we continue to rebel against you in thought, word, and deed. We are a people who often struggle with pride and self-exaltation. Like the unmerciful servant, we readily receive your kindness, yet often find it difficult to extend that same mercy and kindness to others. Forgive us for our countless expressions of hard-heartedness. Teach us to walk in humble dependence upon you, and may Jesus Christ be exalted in our minds and hearts. In the name of Jesus, we pray. 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 (10:30 service only)*

*After the intercessory prayer, children in kindergarten through 2nd 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.*

## SCRIPTURE READING\*

### Psalm 8

*(Please see insert.)*

## SERMON

### *Strength Through Weakness*

*Rev. David Rea*

## 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.*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN\*

*In Christ Alone*

GETTY AND 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.

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.

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.

*Marco Jerez, flute*

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Dan Bowers	Jack Mechem	David Sibley
Teddy Chu	Casey Plummer	
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## *Psalm 8*

*To the choirmaster: according to The Gittith. A Psalm of David.*

- <sup>1</sup> O LORD, our Lord,  
    how majestic is your name in all the earth!  
You have set your glory above the heavens.
- <sup>2</sup> Out of the mouth of babies and infants,  
you have established strength because of your foes,  
    to still the enemy and the avenger.
- <sup>3</sup> When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
    the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,  
<sup>4</sup> what is man that you are mindful of him,  
    and the son of man that you care for him?
- <sup>5</sup> Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings  
    and crowned him with glory and honor.
- <sup>6</sup> You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;  
    you have put all things under his feet,  
<sup>7</sup> all sheep and oxen,  
    and also the beasts of the field,  
<sup>8</sup> the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea,  
    whatever passes along the paths of the seas.
- <sup>9</sup> O LORD, our Lord,  
    how majestic is your name in all the earth!