PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

JUNE 13, 2021

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP* from Psalm 84

Minister: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul longs for the courts of the Lord. My heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God. Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!

All: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. O Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in You!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing | No. 457 Stanzas 1-3

NETTLETON

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace; Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God: He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be; Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love: Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

a responsive reading from Psalm 23

Minister: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

All: Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

Minister: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

All: Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Show Us Christ Kauflin and Plank

Prepare our hearts, O God. Help us to receive. Break the hard and stony ground. Help our unbelief. Plant Your Word down deep in us; cause it to bear fruit. Open up our ears to hear, lead us in Your truth.

Chorus: Show us Christ, show us Christ. O God, reveal Your glory Through the preaching of Your Word, Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord.

Your Word is living light upon our darkened eyes. Guards us through temptations, makes the simple wise. Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave, Riches for the needy soul. Come speak to us today. *Chorus*

Repeat 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 grievously sinned against you, not only outwardly, but much more with inward blindness, unbelief, impatience, anger, pride, envy, and other sinful affections. By your Spirit, help us to sincerely repent of these things, knowing that you are a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to you. 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.

SCRIPTURE READING*

1 Thessalonians 4:9-18

(Please see insert.)

SERMON

Light in the Darkness

Rev. David Rea

GETTY AND TOWNEND

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Jesus is Lord

"Jesus is Lord!"—the cry that echoes through creation: Resplendent pow'r, eternal Word, our rock. The Son of God, the King whose glory fills the heavens, Yet bids us come to taste this living bread.

Jesus is Lord—Whose voice sustains the stars and planets, Yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown. Jesus the Man, who washed our feet, who bore our suffering, Became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

"Jesus is Lord!"—a shout of joy, a cry of anguish, As He returns, and ev'ry knee bows low. Then ev'ry eye and ev'ry heart will see His glory, The Judge of all will take His children home.

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.

During the bread and the cup

Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

BOSWELL/PAPA

Stanzas 1-3

Christ the sure and steady anchor, in the fury of the storm; When the winds of doubt blow through me, and my sails have all been torn. In the suffering, in the sorrow, when my sinking hopes are few; I will hold fast to the anchor, it will never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor, while the tempest rages on; When temptation claims the battle, and it seems the night has won. Deeper still then goes the anchor, though I justly stand accused; I will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

Christ the sure and steady anchor, through the floods of unbelief; Hopeless somehow, O my soul, now, lift your eyes to Calvary. This my ballast of assurance, see his love forever proved. I will hold fast to the anchor, it will never be removed.

Christ the shore of our salvation, ever faithful, ever true! We will hold fast to the anchor, it shall never be removed.

BENEDICTION*

Minister: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you from this time forth and forevermore.

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	Teddy Chu	Casey Plummer	•	
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1 Thessalonians 4.9-18

⁹ Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another, ¹⁰ for that indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, brothers, to do this more and more, ¹¹ and to aspire to live quietly, and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you, ¹² so that you may walk properly before outsiders and be dependent on no one.

¹³ But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. ¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁵ For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. ¹⁶ For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. ¹⁷ Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. ¹⁸ Therefore encourage one another with these words.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PPC Young Adults Park Day

Please join us this afternoon at 4 p.m. at Preston Hollow Park (9000 Thackery Street) for a fun spike ball tournament and fellowship. Both competitors and spectators are welcome! Refreshments will be provided. Please bring a blanket or chair for seating. We hope to see you there!

Men's Summer Bible Study and Fellowship

All PPC men are invited to join us on Wednesday nights this summer for a six-week Bible study, dinner and fellowship. We will meet from 6 to 8 p.m. at the church on the following Wednesdays: June 16, June 23, June 30, July 14, July 21 and July 28. (We will not meet on July 7.) We will start each evening with a brief Bible study from the book of Proverbs followed by dinner and a time of fellowship. Dinner will be provided! An evite will be sent out a week before each meeting for you to RSVP. We hope you will save the dates and plan to join us when you can!

Incoming 1st - 5th Grade Movie Night - Save the Date!

Save the date for a PPC movie night for all incoming 1st - 5th graders on Friday, June 25 from 6 to 8 p.m. We will serve pizza and popcorn and have a fun movie for the children to enjoy. More details to come! If you have any questions, please contact Kristi Breed at childrensministry@providencedallas.com.

PPC Infants and Preschoolers Mommy and Me Playdates

Please join us at PPC every other Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 11 a.m. for play time, story time, crafts and music for infants and preschoolers. The next dates are June 16, June 30, July 14, July 28 and August 11. If you have any questions, please email Kristi Breed at childrensministry@providencedallas.com.

Youth Summer Events

This summer, we are excited to have various gatherings for both our middle school and our high school students! Our middle school boys and girls will have separate, weekly Bible studies on Tuesday nights, 7-8:30 p.m. in members' homes. There will also be some fun events planned for our high school students! If you have youth (rising 6th - 12th graders) who would like to participate, and you would like to know more, please email Nate Libby (nate.libby@providencedallas.com).

Nursing & Comforting Rooms for Families during Worship Hour

Providence has both a nursing room and a comforting room for families. These rooms are fully equipped with a streaming television and volume control that allows for the service to be seen and heard perfectly. The nursing room, around the corner from the children's desk, has a changing station and privacy blinds. The comfort (& joy) room, #136, has a bin of toys and books to accommodate toddlers and other children who might be struggling to stay quiet in the service and is in the same hallway as the church offices. We encourage families to make use of these rooms as they are intended to be a help to all church attendees in allowing the Word of the Lord to be clearly heard and reflected upon during worship.

Weekly Update

If you would like to receive our weekly email that includes announcements, information about Bible studies, and details about upcoming events, please email office@providencedallas.com. We would be happy to include you!

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request or would like to speak to a pastor, please send an email to office@providencedallas.com. We would love to connect you with a staff member or officer who can help you.