

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

NOVEMBER 21, 2021

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Hebrews 12:1-2

Minister: Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,

All: Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. Who, for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Crown Him with Many Crowns | No. 295

DIADEMATA

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet
Fair flow'rs of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou has died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from Hebrews 11.8-10

Minister: Christian, what does it mean to live by faith?

All: By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he went to live in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he was looking forward to the city that has foundations, whose designer and builder is God.

SONG OF PRAISE

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

TOWNEND

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the chosen One, bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

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: Heavenly Father, forgive us for our lack of faith. As you called Abraham out of his country into unknown circumstances, so you often call us to walk through frightening, lonely, or dangerous times. In response to trials of various kinds, we often wander away and refuse to acknowledge that you are using them for our good and your glory. And yet the Lord Jesus, the Great Shepherd of the sheep, laid down his life for a wayward people. Father, help us to trust that you always have redemptive purposes in the suffering of your children, as we see so clearly in the cross of Christ. 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.

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*

Genesis 12.1-3

¹Now the LORD said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father’s house to the land that I will show you. ² And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³ I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

SERMON

What A Cost

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Power of the Cross

GETTY & TOWNEND

O to see the dawn of the darkest day; Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood.
This, the pow’r of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev’ry bitter thought, ev’ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.
This, the pow’r of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows His Head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life, “Finished!” the victory cry.
This, the pow’r of the cross: Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

O to see my name written in the wounds for through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love!
This, the pow’r of the cross: Son of God—slain for us.
What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

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.

Please hold the bread, and we will partake together. Please drink the cup as you receive it.

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
Instrumental

During the cup
Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

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

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.

Genesis 22.1-18

¹ After these things God tested Abraham and said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ² He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." ³ So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac. And he cut the wood for the burnt offering and arose and went to the place of which God had told him. ⁴ On the third day Abraham lifted up his eyes and saw the place from afar. ⁵ Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; I and the boy will go over there and worship and come again to you." ⁶ And Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on Isaac his son. And he took in his hand the fire and the knife. So they went both of them together. ⁷ And Isaac said to his father Abraham, "My father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "Behold, the fire and the wood, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸ Abraham said, "God will provide for himself the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So they went both of them together.

⁹ When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built the altar there and laid the wood in order and bound Isaac his son and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰ Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to slaughter his son. ¹¹ But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ¹² He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him, for now I know that you fear God, seeing you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³ And Abraham lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, behind him was a ram, caught in a thicket by his horns. And Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. ¹⁴ So Abraham called the name of that place, "The LORD will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided."

¹⁵ And the angel of the LORD called to Abraham a second time from heaven ¹⁶ and said, "By myself I have sworn, declares the LORD, because you have done this and have not withheld your son, your only son, ¹⁷ I will surely bless you, and I will surely multiply your offspring as the stars of heaven and as the sand that is on the seashore. And your offspring shall possess the gate of his enemies, ¹⁸ and in your offspring shall all the nations of the earth be blessed, because you have obeyed my voice."

SERMON NOTES

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christian Education Holiday Break

Sunday School: Next Sunday, November 28, will be our last day for Sunday School classes this semester. We will take a break for the Christmas season, and classes will resume on Sunday, January 9.

Bible Studies: Fall Bible studies are wrapping up for the semester but will start back up in January. More details to come!

Mercy Street Angel Tree

We have an exciting opportunity to serve our community this Christmas by providing gifts for students in the Mercy Street mentoring, leadership and sports programs. Beginning today, you may visit our Angel Tree in the lobby and select an ornament tag for a child. Wrapped gifts will be collected through Sunday, December 12. If you have any questions, email Chris Bennett at chris.bennett@providencedallas.com.

Family Advent Devotional

Starting this morning, we will have a family advent devotional (Good News of Great Joy by B.A. Snider) that you can take home. The devotionals will be out in the children's wing near the check-in desk for you to pick up. The devotions begin on the first Sunday of Advent (November 28) and end on Christmas Eve. Each day includes Scripture, a lesson, and some great questions. It's a wonderful resource to keep on your dinner table to help you and your family focus on the "good news of great joy" at Christmas - the birth of the Savior!

PPC 60ish Community Christmas Party

Please join us for a Christmas party on Friday, December 3 at 7 p.m. at the home of Cathy and Craig Parker, 5851 Royal Crest Drive, Dallas 75230 . Come and go! RSVP to Margie McCabe at 469.964.8512 by Tuesday, November 23. All who are 60ish + are welcome!

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