

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

JANUARY 23, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 63:1-3

Minister: O God, you are my God, and earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water.

**All: I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.
Because your love is better than life, my lips will give you glory.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMNS*

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven | No. 76
Stanzas 1, 3, and 5

LAUDA ANIMA

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing?
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, widely as his mercy goes.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face;
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space,
Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

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 Isaiah 40.1-5

Minister: Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her hard service has been completed,

All: that her sin has been paid for, that she has received from the LORD's hand double for all her sins.

Minister: A voice of one calling: "In the wilderness prepare the way for the LORD; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

All: Every valley shall be raised up, every mountain and hill made low; the rough ground shall become level, the rugged places a plain. And the glory of the LORD will be revealed, and all people will see it together. For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

SONG OF PRAISE

The Lord's My Shepherd

BROTHER JAMES AIRE

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie,
In pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by,
He leadeth me, He leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again and me to walk doth make,
Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake,
Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill,
For thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still,
For thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me,
And in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be,
And in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be.

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, we are a people who come before you today with troubled hearts and minds. We are frequently preoccupied with sinful anxiety about so many things: our health, our finances, our families, our futures, and many others as well. Often we doubt your willingness to care for us, and sometimes we even doubt your very existence. Father, forgive our unbelief. We thank you for Jesus who persevered and perfectly trusted you through many trials and great difficulty because of the joy that was set before Him. Father, help us to believe that because of Christ, you will never leave or forsake us. 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.

NEW MEMBER VOWS

*Julia Grandon
Barbara and Ted Hoover*

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* **Mark 1.1-11**

¹ The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

² As it is written in Isaiah the prophet,

“Behold, I send my messenger before your face,
who will prepare your way,

³ the voice of one crying in the wilderness:

‘Prepare the way of the Lord,
make his paths straight.’”

⁴ John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. ⁵ And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

⁶ Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. ⁷ And he preached, saying, “After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie.

⁸ I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

⁹ In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. ¹⁰ And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. ¹¹ And a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

SERMON

The King is Coming

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE

I Will Glory in My Redeemer

COOK

Stanzas 1-3

I will glory in my Redeemer whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails and hung Him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer, who crushed the pow'r of sin and death;
My only Savior before the Holy Judge, the Lamb who is my righteousness,
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer. My life He bought, my love He owns.
I have no longings for another; I'm satisfied in Him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer, His faithfulness, my standing place,
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, my feet are firm, held by His grace;
My feet are firm, held by His grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer who carries me on eagle's wings.
He crowns my life with loving kindness, His triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer, who waits for me at gates of gold
And when He calls me it will be paradise, His face forever to behold;
His face forever to behold.

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

Behold the Lamb

GETTY

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us - and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you - eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you - drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond, - and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

During the cup

Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

O Church, Arise

GETTY AND TOWNEND

O church, arise, and put your armor on; hear the call of Christ our Captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on ev'ry side, we know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died, an inheritance of nations.

So Spirit come, put strength in ev'ry stride, give grace for ev'ry hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in Glory.

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.

SERMON NOTES

Men's Bible Studies

"True Community"

Wednesdays at 7 a.m. at PPC beginning on January 12

Led by Ken Hargrove (KHargrove@brwarch.com)

This semester, we will be using Jerry Bridge's book, "True Community." Biblical fellowship in New Testament times had rich and varied meanings, including covenant relationship, partnership in the gospel, communion with God and others and the sharing of earthly possessions. In this study we will explore "koinonia" (Christian fellowship) and the practical implications it has for us today. On the first Wednesday morning of every month, we meet for breakfast and fellowship at La Madeleine (Forest and Preston). On the other Wednesdays, we meet at the church for the study.

The Exodus

Wednesdays from 11:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. at PPC beginning on January 19

*** Lunch is provided.**

Led by Nate Libby (nate.libby@providencedallas.com)

This semester, our men's study will continue a dive into the book of Exodus. God promised to bless Abraham and make him a great nation, and that promise is accomplished in the book of Exodus. Not only does this book show the faithfulness of God to his promises but it also prepares its readers to be introduced to the Lord Jesus, the greatest fulfillment of God's promises to Abraham. Phillip Ryken summed up the book well when he said that Exodus is a picture of "Israel's deliverance from Egypt which anticipated the salvation accomplished once and for all in Jesus Christ." Join us Wednesdays at lunch as we consider this great book of the Old Testament.

Young Adults Men's Study

Tuesdays from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at PPC beginning on January 18

Led by Chris Bennett (chris.bennett@providencedallas.com)

This study offers Young Adult Men a space to delve deeper into God's word as well as each other's lives through a time of study, fellowship, and prayer. We meet every week on Tuesdays and pause once a month to enjoy a time of extended fellowship together, usually over a meal or around a fire or some other activity.

Colossians and Philemon

Fridays at 7 a.m. at PPC beginning on January 21

Led by Graham Averitt, Michael Breed, Teddy Chu, and Joshua Kipp

Join us on Friday mornings for fellowship and Bible study. We will work through the books of Colossians and Philemon, using the "Knowing the Bible" study series. Come and be encouraged as we delve into these books and occasionally, eat tacos together! Please contact Michael Breed at michael.breed@gmail.com if you have any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOW Mid-Winter Luncheon

Please join us for a WOW (Women of Wisdom) Mid-Winter Luncheon on Thursday, February 24 at 12 noon at the Park Cities Club (5956 Sherry Lane, Dallas 75225). The cost is \$30, and checks can be given to Tammie Hargrove or Margie McCabe by February 15. Checks can also be mailed to Libbie Wilmer (14028 Brookridge Drive, Dallas 75240). All ladies 60ish and up are invited to attend.

Women's Bible Studies

Offered Wednesday mornings, 9:30 - 11 a.m. (with childcare) AND

Wednesday evenings, 7 – 8 p.m.

Beginning January 19

Led by Alyson Averitt at PPC

Proverbs: The Way of Wisdom

As we think through all the opportunities that a new year provides to grow in the Lord, we will explore the wisdom He has given us in the book of Proverbs. In an extremely practical way, this book tells us what it means to reflect God's glory in the details of daily life and in our relationships. Proverbs is full of deep truths that address some of the intricacies of life in this world, given to us by the One who Himself is the very embodiment of wisdom and truth. Proverbs covers a wide array of topics, from friendship, work, and speech to forgiveness and life's purpose. What a wonderful book to discuss and apply together, as we encourage one another to know the Lord and His wisdom more deeply in this new year! If you have any questions or would like to sign up, please email Alyson Averitt at alyson.averitt@providencedallas.com.

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