PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

JANUARY 30, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 100.1-5

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth! Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

All: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMNS*

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name | No. 296 Stanzas 1, 3, and 6

CORONATION

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall, Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all. We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

O Father, You Are Sovereign | No. 75

ST. THEODULPH

Stanzas 1, 3, and 4

O Father, you are sovereign in all the worlds You made; Your mighty Word was spoken and light and life obeyed. Your voice commands the seasons and bounds the ocean's shore, Sets stars within their courses and stills the tempests' roar.

O Father, you are sovereign, the Lord of human pain, Transmuting earthly sorrows to gold of heavenly gain, All evil overruling, as none but Conqu'ror could, Your love pursues its purpose— our souls' eternal good.

O Father, you are sovereign! We see you dimly now, But soon before Your triumph earth's every knee shall bow. With this glad hope before us our faith springs up anew: Our Sovereign Lord and Savior, we trust and worship you! Minister: Christian, what did God promise would be different, and more full, with the New Covenant in Christ?

All: "For I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries and bring you back into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws."

SONG OF PRAISE

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God of grace, amazing wonder, irresistible and free; Oh, the miracle of mercy, Jesus reaches down to me. God of grace, I stand in wonder, as my God restores my soul: His own blood has paid my ransom, awesome cost to make me whole.

God of grace, who loved and knew me long before the world began; Sent my Saviour down from heaven: perfect God and perfect man. God of grace, I trust in Jesus, I'm accepted as His own. Every day new grace sustains me as I lean on Him alone.

God of grace, I stand astounded, cleansed, forgiven and secure. All my fears are now confounded, and my hope is ever sure. God of grace, now crowned in glory, where one day I'll see Your face; And forever I'll adore You in Your everlasting grace.

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

All: Almighty God, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and to humbly confess to you our unbelief. While we know and believe that Jesus died for us on the cross, and that he was raised for us from the dead, we admit it often makes too little difference in our lives. Forgive us, we pray. Enable us to more fully embrace the truth of the gospel: that our love for you may flourish, that our obedience may be wholehearted and joyful, and that our witness may be more courageous. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 1:7, Romans 4:7

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace. Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

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 1.9-15

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."

¹² The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. ¹³ And he was in the wilderness forty days, being tempted by Satan. And he was with the wild animals, and the angels were ministering to him.

¹⁴ Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, ¹⁵ and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

SERMON

Footprints in the Sand

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE

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.

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.

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

During the cup

Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

How Firm a Foundation | No. 94 Stanzas 1, 2, and 6

FOUNDATION

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."

"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.

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.

Musicians: Jacob Muzquiz, trombone Grant Futch, trombone Simon Willats, trombone Jarrod Robertson, tuba

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