PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Philippians 2.8-11

Minister: And being found in appearance as a man, Jesus humbled himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross! Therefore God exalted Him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,

All: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | No. 53 Stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 5

LOBE DEN HERREN

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise him for he is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how thy desires e're have been Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him! Let the Amen sound from his people again; Gladly forever adore him. Minister: Christian, who is like the LORD our God?

All: The LORD is exalted over all the nations, his glory above the heavens. Who is like the LORD our God, the One who sits enthroned on high, who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth? He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; he seats them with princes, with the princes of their people. He settles the barren woman in her home as a happy mother of children. Praise the LORD.

SONG OF PRAISE

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

THOMPSON

Stanzas 1, 3 and 4

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high. Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till life's storm is past; Safe into the haven guide; receive my soul at last.

Thou, O Christ, art all I want, more than all in thee I find; Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind. Just and holy is thy name, I am all unrighteousness; False and full of sin I am; thou, full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; Let the healing streams abound, make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee; Spring thou up within my heart, for all eternity.

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 thank you that you have rescued us by your grace. Yet we continue to sin against you day after day. All too often we take the best gifts that you offer in creation, and we warp them into instruments of self-worship. Forgive us, we pray. Thank you that you have begun a good work in us that nothing can stop, and that one day we will stand before you in the glory of sinless perfection as Christ's beautiful bride. We give thanks for this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come.

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.

¹ Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. ² This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him." ³ Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, "How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?" ⁵ Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. ⁷ Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' ⁸ The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit."

⁹ Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰ Jesus answered him, "Are you the teacher of Israel and yet you do not understand these things? ¹¹ Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen, but you do not receive our testimony. ¹² If I have told you earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you heavenly things? ¹³ No one has ascended into heaven except he who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. ¹⁴ And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, ¹⁵ that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

SERMON Born Again Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE

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.

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

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.

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

Lamb of God

Your only Son no sin to hide, but You have sent Him from Your side, To walk upon this guilty sod, and to become the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love they crucified. They laughed and scorned Him as He died. The humble King, they named a fraud, and sacrificed the Lamb of God.

Chorus:

Oh Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the Holy Lamb of God. Oh wash me in His precious blood, my Jesus Christ the Lamb of God.

I was so lost I should have died, but You have brought me to Your side, To be led by Your staff and rod, and to be called a lamb of God.

Chorus

During the cup

Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power | No. 300

O QUANTA QUALIA

Stanzas 1, 3 and 4

Blessing and honor and glory and power, Wisdom and riches and strength evermore Give ye to him who our battle hath won, Whose are the kingdom, the crown and the throne.

Ever ascendeth the song and the joy; Ever descendeth the love from on high; Blessing and honor and glory and praise-This is the theme of the hymns that we raise.

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb; Take we the robe and the harp and the palm; Sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain, Dying in weakness, but rising to reign.

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

Women's Bible Studies

Offered Wednesday mornings, 9:30 - 11 a.m. (with childcare) AND Wednesday evenings, 7 - 8 p.m.

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.

Men's Bible Studies

"True Community"

Wednesdays at 7 a.m. at PPC

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 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 12 to 1 p.m. at PPC

* 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

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

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

New Members Class

If you are interested in joining Providence or just learning more about PPC, then please save the date for our next new members class. We will meet on Sunday morning, May 15, 8-10 a.m. before worship. For more information and to sign up, email Allyson Crow at office@providencedallas.com.

New Supper Club Opportunity

If you are a member of PPC and would like to be in a supper club with others in our church family, there is a new opportunity coming for you! With the groups of six adults changing each time, these supper club gatherings will take place once a quarter in a member's home. This is a wonderful way to get to know other members of our church and enjoy a meal and fellowship together. To join the supper club and to be put in a group for the Spring dinner, please email Julia Grandon at Supperclub2022@gmail.com. If you are interested in serving as a dinner host, please include that as well.

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.

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