

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

MARCH 13, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Matthew 11.28-29

Minister: "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me.

All: For I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

All Creatures of Our God and King

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Stanzas 1, 4, and 5

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam!

Chorus: O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye! Alleluia!

Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on Him cast your care! *Chorus*

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him! Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One! *Chorus*

CONFESSION OF FAITH

adapted from the Heidelberg Catechism, Questions 27-28

Minister: Christian, what is the Providence of God?

All: The Providence of God is the almighty, everywhere-present power of God, whereby He upholds heaven and earth with all its creatures, and so governs them, that rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, meat and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty, indeed, all things are governed not by chance, but by His fatherly hand.

Minister: How should God's Providence be a comfort to the Lord's people?

All: That we may be patient in adversity, thankful in prosperity, and trusting in our faithful God and Father, that no creature shall separate us from His love, since all creatures are so in His hand, that without His will we cannot so much as move.

SONG OF PRAISE

May the Mind of Christ My Savior | No. 644

ST. LEONARDS

Stanzas 1, 2, 3, and 5

May the mind of Christ my Savior
Live in me from day to day,
By his love and pow'r controlling
All I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly
In my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph
Only through his pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father
Rule my life in everything,
That I may be calm to comfort
Sick and sorrowing.

May his beauty rest upon me
As I seek the lost to win,
And may they forget the channel,
Seeing only him.

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, despite your graciousness and lovingkindness to us in Christ, we are a people who often struggle with malice, hypocrisy, envy, deceit, and slander. In our minds we frequently rehearse the sins and weaknesses of others, as we try to justify ourselves in self-righteousness. Father, forgive us. We thank you for the blood of Christ, which cleanses us from all sin. Holy Spirit of the living God, make Christ appear excellent to us and beautiful in our eyes as we worship, as we work, and as we live. 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*

Matthew 11.1-15

¹ When Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and preach in their cities.

² Now when John heard in prison about the deeds of the Christ, he sent word by his disciples ³ and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or shall we look for another?” ⁴ And Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: ⁵ the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them. ⁶ And blessed is the one who is not offended by me.”

⁷ As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds concerning John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to see? A reed shaken by the wind? ⁸ What then did you go out to see? A man dressed in soft clothing? Behold, those who wear soft clothing are in kings’ houses. ⁹ What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. ¹⁰ This is he of whom it is written,

“ ‘Behold, I send my messenger before your face,
who will prepare your way before you.’

¹¹ Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has arisen no one greater than John the Baptist. Yet the one who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he. ¹² From the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven has suffered violence, and the violent take it by force. ¹³ For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John, ¹⁴ and if you are willing to accept it, he is Elijah who is to come. ¹⁵ He who has ears to hear, let him hear.

SERMON

Dealing with Doubt

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Fairest Lord Jesus | No. 170
Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

CRUSADER’S HYMN

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
Thou, my soul’s glory, joy, and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
Robed in the blooming garb of spring:
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be thine.

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

Speak, O Lord

GETTY AND TOWNEND

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You to receive the food of Your holy Word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us all Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord full obedience, holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes in the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise, cause our eyes to see Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail; Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds; help us grasp the heights of Your plan for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time that will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises, and by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, 'til Your church is built and the earth is filled with Your glory.

During the cup

Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing | No. 164

AZMON

Stanzas 1, 4, and 5

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace.

He breaks the power of reigning sin, he sets the pris'ner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

He speaks and, listening to his voice, new life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice; the humble poor believe.

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

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.

2022 Vacation Bible School – Save the Date!

Providence is partnering with Park Cities Presbyterian Church and Mercy Presbyterian Church for Vacation Bible School. VBS will take place at PCPC from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Tuesday, June 7 through Friday, June 10. Children (age 5 by September 1st through rising 4th graders) and volunteers (adult and youth) are invited to participate. There is also a nursery and pre-school program for volunteers' children. More details about registration will be coming soon! If you have any questions, please contact Kristi Breed at childrensministry@providencedallas.com.

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!

PPC Week at a Glance - Week of March 13, 2022

Tuesday, March 15, 7-8:15 p.m.

Young Adults Men's Study

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

Wednesday, March 16, 7 a.m.

Men's Bible Study - "True Community" by Jerry Bridges

Led by Ken Hargrove (KHargrove@brwarch.com)

Friday, March 18, 7 a.m.

Men's Bible Study - Colossians and Philemon

Led by Graham Averitt, Michael Breed (Michael.breed@gmail.com), Teddy Chu, Joshua Kipp

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Sunday School Break

Providence will continue to break from Sunday School next Sunday, March 20. Classes will resume on Sunday, March 27.

Good Friday Service

Why is the time between Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem and his resurrection sometimes called Passion Week? The word "passion" in this case is derived from the Latin word "passio," which means "to endure or suffer." The purpose of the Good Friday service is to reflect upon the suffering of Jesus during these days, from Gethsemane to Golgotha. Please plan to attend this deeply moving service on Friday, April 15, at 5 p.m. Through Scripture reading, music, prayer, and the Lord's Supper, we will meditate on the depth of the Lord's sacrifice for our sins and prepare our hearts for the joy of His resurrection. (Childcare will be provided for children age 5 and under.)

WOW (Women of Wisdom) Dinner

Please join us for dinner on Tuesday, March 15 at 6 p.m. at Fernando's (4347 E. Northwest Highway, Dallas 75220). Text Margie McCabe at 469.964.8512 to RSVP. We hope to see you there! All ladies 60ish and up are invited to attend.

PPC Spring Picnic

Please save the date and plan to join us on Sunday, May 15 immediately following worship for a spring picnic! Lunch will be provided by The Hamburger Man and Steel City Pops. This will be a fun opportunity to enjoy good food and great fellowship with all of our church family. More details to come!

Hannah Clarke, piano

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