PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

MARCH 20, 2022

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*

Holy, Holy, Holy! | No. 100

NICAEA

Stanzas 1, 3, and 4

Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee; Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide thee, Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee Perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth and sky and sea; Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from Galatians 2.20

Minister: What does it mean to be in Christ?

All: I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

SONG OF PRAISE

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

CITYALIGHT

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer; there is no more for heaven now to give. He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom; my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace. To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus; for my life is wholly bound to His. Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: All is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken; for by my side, the Savior, He will stay. I labor on in weakness and rejoicing; for in my need, His power is displayed. To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me; through the deepest valley He will lead. Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven; the future sure, the price it has been paid. For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and He was raised to overthrow the grave. To this I hold, my sin has been defeated; Jesus now and ever is my plea. Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus, for He has said that He will bring me home. And day by day, I know He will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne. To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, all the glory evermore to Him. When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

adapted from The Valley of Vision

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

All: O my Savior, help me. I am slow to learn and quick to forget. I am pained by my graceless heart, my prayerless days, and my sullied conscience. I am blind while your grace shines around me: take the scales from my eyes and help me to repent of my unbelief. Make it my highest joy to study thee, meditate on thee, and gaze on thee. Enable me, by your Spirit, to grow in grace so that there may be more fervor in my devotion and more consistency in my zeal. 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.

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 11.20-30

²⁰Then he began to denounce the cities where most of his mighty works had been done, because they did not repent. ²¹ "Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes. ²² But I tell you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for Tyre and Sidon than for you. ²³ And you, Capernaum, will you be exalted to heaven? You will be brought down to Hades. For if the mighty works done in you had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. ²⁴ But I tell you that it will be more tolerable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom than for you."

²⁵ At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; ²⁶ yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. ²⁷ All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him. ²⁸ Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

SERMON

Gentle and Lowly

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Jesus, I Come Stanzas 1, 2 and 4

SLEEPER THOMPSON

Out of my bondage, sorrow, and night, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into Thy freedom, gladness, and light, Jesus, I come to Thee; Out of my sickness, into Thy health, out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,

Out of my sickness, into Thy health, out of my wanting and Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, out of life's storms and into Thy calm, Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come, Jesus, I come; Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee. Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of Thy sheltering fold, Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee.

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 What Wondrous Love is This | No. 261

WONDROUS LOVE

Stanzas 1-3

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul, What wondrous love is this, O my soul! What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul, To bear the dreadful curse for my soul!

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing, To God and to the Lamb, I will sing; To God and to the Lamb, who is the great I AM, While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing, While millions join the theme, I will sing!

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on, And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on; And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be, And through eternity I'll sing on, I'll sing on, And through eternity, I'll sing on!

During the cup Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

O Great God **KAUFLIN**

O great God of highest heav'n, occupy my lowly heart. Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel pow'r. Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war. You have loved and purchased me, make me Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys. Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me Through the gospel of Your Son gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on Your grace. Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face. You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed. O great God of highest heav'n, glorify Your Name through me.

BENEDICTION*

Minister: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be with you from this time forth and forevermore.

SERMON NOTES

PPC Week at a Glance - Week of March 20, 2022

Tuesday, March 22, 7 - 8:15 p.m.

Young Adults Men's Study

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

Wednesday, March 23, 7 a.m.

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

Led by Ken Hargrove (KHargrove@brwarch.com)

Wednesday, March 23, 9:30 a.m. (with childcare)

Women's Bible Study - Proverbs: The Way of Wisdom

Led by Alyson Averitt (alyson.averitt@providencedallas.com)

Wednesday, March 23, 12 to 1 p.m.

Men's Bible Study - The Exodus

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

Wednesday, March 23, 7 - 8 p.m.

Women's Bible Study - Proverbs: The Way of Wisdom

Led by Alyson Averitt (alyson.averitt@providencedallas.com)

Friday, March 25, 7 a.m.

Men's Bible Study - Colossians and Philemon

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School Resumes Next Sunday

All Sunday School classes will resume next Sunday, March 27 at 9 a.m.

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) Lunch

Please join us for lunch on Saturday, April 2 at 11:30 a.m. at The Woodlands (6073 Forest Lane, Dallas 75230). RSVP to Cathy Parker at 214.536.0297 by March 25. 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!

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.

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