

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

APRIL 10, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

based on Zechariah 9:9 and Psalm 118:26

Minister: Rejoice greatly, O Daughter of Zion! Shout, Daughter of Jerusalem!

All: See, your king comes to you, righteous and having salvation, gentle and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

ELLACOMBE

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang,
Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, Who had blessed them, close folded to His breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed 'mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on His bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” that ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence eternally rejoice!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from Psalm 118.19-26

Minister: How does the Old Testament anticipate the Triumphal Entry of Jesus?

All: Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter and give thanks to the LORD. This is the gate of the LORD through which the righteous may enter. I will give you thanks, for you answered me; you have become my salvation. The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone; the LORD has done this, and it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. O LORD, save us; O LORD, grant us success. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD.

SONG OF PRAISE

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

O WALY WALY

When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God!
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to His blood.

See from His head, His hands, His feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down!
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

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, you are righteous and holy, but we are not. We are not poor in spirit. Rather, we are proud and self-reliant. We do not properly mourn over our sin: we hide and excuse it, while judging others for their sin. We are not meek but often eager to defend our own rights and reputations, while caring too little for your good name and the name of others. Forgive us, we pray. We thank you and praise you for Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, who lived and died that we would know the blessings of true forgiveness. In the name of Jesus, we pray. 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.

¹¹ And he entered Jerusalem and went into the temple. And when he had looked around at everything, as it was already late, he went out to Bethany with the twelve.

¹² On the following day, when they came from Bethany, he was hungry. ¹³ And seeing in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to see if he could find anything on it. When he came to it, he found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. ¹⁴ And he said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again." And his disciples heard it.

¹⁵ And they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who sold and those who bought in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money-changers and the seats of those who sold pigeons. ¹⁶ And he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. ¹⁷ And he was teaching them and saying to them, "Is it not written, 'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'? But you have made it a den of robbers." ¹⁸ And the chief priests and the scribes heard it and were seeking a way to destroy him, for they feared him, because all the crowd was astonished at his teaching. ¹⁹ And when evening came they went out of the city.

²⁰ As they passed by in the morning, they saw the fig tree withered away to its roots.

²¹ And Peter remembered and said to him, "Rabbi, look! The fig tree that you cursed has withered." ²² And Jesus answered them, "Have faith in God."

SERMON

Foliage vs. Fruit

Rev. Chris Bennett

HYMN OF RESPONSE

From the Squalor of a Borrowed Stable

IMMANUEL

From the squalor of a borrowed stable, by the Spirit and a virgin's faith;
To the anguish and the shame of scandal came the Savior of the human race!
But the skies were filled with the praise of heav'n, shepherds listen as the angels tell
Of the Gift of God come down to man at the dawning of Immanuel.

King of heaven now the Friend of sinners, humble servant in the Father's hands,
Filled with power and the Holy Spirit, filled with mercy for the broken man.
Yes, He walked my road and He felt my pain, joys and sorrows that I know so well;
Yet His righteous steps give me hope again—I will follow my Immanuel!

Through the kisses of a friend's betrayal, He was lifted on a cruel cross;
He was punished for a world's transgressions, He was suffering to save the lost.
He fights for breath, He fights for me, loosing sinners from the claims of hell;
And with a shout our souls set free—death defeated by Immanuel!

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
Christ Is Mine Forevermore

CITYALIGHT

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with Him.
Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings.
But mine is hope in my Redeemer; though I fall, His love is sure.
For Christ has paid for every failing. I am His forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good.
But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted. Christ completes his work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way.
One with Christ I will encounter, harm and hatred for His name.
But mine is armour for this battle, strong enough to last the war.
And He has said He will deliver safely to the golden shore.

And mine are keys to Zion city where beside the King I walk,
For there my heart has found its treasure. Christ is mine forevermore.

During the cup
Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

Ride On in Majesty

TRURO

Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
Hark! all the tribes Hosanna cry;
O Savior meek, pursue Thy road
With palms and scattered garments strowed.

Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;
The Father, on His sapphire throne,
Expects His own anointed Son.

Ride on, ride on, in majesty!
In lowly pomp ride on to die!
O Christ! Thy triumph now begin
O'er captive death and conquered sin.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An Opportunity to Pray and to Provide Aid in Ukraine

Mission to the World, our denomination's worldwide missions organization, has missionaries in Ukraine who are working with 15 Ukrainian partner churches to receive and support refugees. You can visit these two websites, mtw.org/ukraine-crisis and <https://voice-of-ukraine.com/finances-and-donation/> to find out more about how you can specifically pray for them and how to donate in support of the efforts of these missionaries and churches.

VBS Registration

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. Priority registration started on Wednesday, March 30 for member adult volunteers and their children/youth only. Registration for children/youth of non-volunteering adults will be April 20. If you have any questions, please contact Kristi Breed at childrensministry@providencedallas.com.

WOW (Women of Wisdom) Dinner

Please join us for dinner on Thursday, May 12 at 6 p.m. at Howard Wang's China Grill at 4343 Northwest Highway. RSVP to Margie McCabe at 469-964-8512 by May 9. 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.

Nursing & Comforting Rooms for Families during Worship Hour

Providence has both a nursing room and a comforting room for families. These rooms are fully equipped with a streaming television and volume control that allows for the service to be seen and heard perfectly. The nursing room, around the corner from the children's desk, has a changing station and privacy blinds. The comfort (& joy) room, #136, has a bin of toys and books to accommodate toddlers and other children who might be struggling to stay quiet in the service and is in the same hallway as the church offices. We encourage families to make use of these rooms as they are intended to be a help to all church attendees in allowing the Word of the Lord to be clearly heard and reflected upon during worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebration of Birth

We rejoice with Dorothy and T.J. Edwards, as well as James and Annie, as they welcome their daughter and sister, Sarah Harris, born on April 4!

Family Easter Booklet

We are excited to have a family easter booklet ("The Biggest Story Bible Storybook: Easter Stories" by Kevin DeYoung) available for families to take home. The booklets will be out in the children's wing near the check-in desk for you to pick up. The booklet includes five Bible stories celebrating the resurrection of Jesus. It's a wonderful resource to keep on your dinner table to help you and your family discuss what Christ accomplished for us through his death and resurrection.

Moms of High School and College Students Dinner

All moms of high school and college students are invited to enjoy dinner and fellowship together on Monday, April 11 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Shirley Mechem. Please email Shirley at samemechem@sbcglobal.net for more information.

Elementary Moms Fellowship

All moms of elementary students are invited for a night of fellowship on Thursday, April 28 at 7 p.m. at the home of Tory Cardone. Appetizers and desserts will be served. To RSVP, please email Alyson Averitt at alyson.averitt@providencedallas.com.

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.) In order to staff all the children's rooms appropriately, we ask that you make a reservation for your children by emailing Kristi Breed at childrensministry@providencedallas.com.

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