PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

JUNE 12, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 111

Minister: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

All: Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever. He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful. He remembers his covenant forever.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven | No. 76 Stanzas 1, 3, and 5

LAUDA ANIMA

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to His feet your tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who, like me, his praise should sing? Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.

Father-like, he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows; In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes. Praise him, praise him, praise him, widely as his mercy goes.

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face; Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space, Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

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. **Be Thou My Vision** | No. 642 Stanzas 1, 2, 4 and 5

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that thou art-Thou my best thought by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, I thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always: Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of 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, we thank you for the wisdom by which you made this world, and through which You order all nature and history, working all things according to the counsel of your will. You order our personal lives by your wisdom, bringing into them exactly the right combination of joys and sorrows, trials and blessings, to shape us after the image of your beloved Son. However, we confess that we are a people who often sinfully respond to, and rebel against, your Providence in our lives. Forgive us for our lack of humility and trust, we pray. Grow us into a people who love you and submit to you, regardless of the circumstance. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast.

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.

Ephesians 2:8-9

1 Samuel 24.1-7

²³ ²⁶ As Saul and his men were closing in on David and his men to capture them, ²⁷ a messenger came to Saul, saying, "Hurry and come, for the Philistines have made a raid against the land." ²⁸ So Saul returned from pursuing after David and went against the Philistines. Therefore that place was called the Rock of Escape. ²⁹ And David went up from there and lived in the strongholds of Engedi.

¹When Saul returned from following the Philistines, he was told, "Behold, David is in the wilderness of Engedi." ² Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel and went to seek David and his men in front of the Wildgoats' Rocks. ³ And he came to the sheepfolds by the way, where there was a cave, and Saul went in to relieve himself. Now David and his men were sitting in the innermost parts of the cave. ⁴ And the men of David said to him, "Here is the day of which the LORD said to you, 'Behold, I will give your enemy into your hand, and you shall do to him as it shall seem good to you.'" Then David arose and stealthily cut off a corner of Saul's robe. ⁵ And afterward David's heart struck him, because he had cut off a corner of Saul's robe. ⁶ He said to his men, "The LORD forbid that I should do this thing to my lord, the LORD's anointed, to put out my hand against him, seeing he is the LORD's anointed." ⁷ So David persuaded his men with these words and did not permit them to attack Saul. And Saul rose up and left the cave and went on his way.

SERMON

No Shortcuts

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE

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.

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.

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.

Please hold the bread, and we will partake together. Please drink the cup as you receive it. **The outer ring is grape juice and the inner rings are wine.**

During the bread **There Is A Redeemer**

There is a redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, Precious lamb of God, Messiah, Holy one.

Chorus: Thank you oh my Father, For giving us your Son, And leaving your Spirit, 'Til the work on earth is done.

Jesus my Redeemer, Name above all names, Precious lamb of God, Messiah, oh, for sinners slain.

Chorus

When I stand in glory, I will see his face, And there I'll serve my King forever, in that holy place.

Chorus

There is a redeemer, Jesus, God's own Son, Precious lamb of God, Messiah, Holy one.

Chorus

During the cup Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing | No. 164 Stanzas 1, 4, and 5

AZMON

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

1 Samuel 24.8-22

⁸ Afterward David also arose and went out of the cave, and called after Saul, "My lord the king!" And when Saul looked behind him, David bowed with his face to the earth and paid homage. 9 And David said to Saul, "Why do you listen to the words of men who say, 'Behold, David seeks your harm'?¹⁰ Behold, this day your eyes have seen how the LORD gave you today into my hand in the cave. And some told me to kill you, but I spared you. I said, 'I will not put out my hand against my lord, for he is the LORD's anointed.' ¹¹ See, my father, see the corner of your robe in my hand. For by the fact that I cut off the corner of your robe and did not kill you, you may know and see that there is no wrong or treason in my hands. I have not sinned against you, though you hunt my life to take it. ¹² May the LORD judge between me and you, may the LORD avenge me against you, but my hand shall not be against you. ¹³ As the proverb of the ancients says, 'Out of the wicked comes wickedness.' But my hand shall not be against you. ¹⁴ After whom has the king of Israel come out? After whom do you pursue? After a dead dog! After a flea! ¹⁵ May the LORD therefore be judge and give sentence between me and you, and see to it and plead my cause and deliver me from your hand."

¹⁶ As soon as David had finished speaking these words to Saul, Saul said, "Is this your voice, my son David?" And Saul lifted up his voice and wept. ¹⁷ He said to David, "You are more righteous than I, for you have repaid me good, whereas I have repaid you evil. ¹⁸ And you have declared this day how you have dealt well with me, in that you did not kill me when the LORD put me into your hands. ¹⁹ For if a man finds his enemy, will he let him go away safe? So may the LORD reward you with good for what you have done to me this day. ²⁰ And now, behold, I know that you shall surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in your hand. ²¹ Swear to me therefore by the LORD that you will not cut off my offspring after me, and that you will not destroy my name out of my father's house." ²² And David swore this to Saul. Then Saul went home, but David and his men went up to the stronghold.

Summer Youth Studies and Activities

This summer, we are looking forward to various Bible studies and gatherings for both our middle school and our high school students! If you have youth (rising 6th-12th graders) who would like to participate, and you would like to know more, please email Nate Libby at nate.libby@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!

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, and they can accommodate toddlers and other children who might be struggling to stay quiet in the service. The nursing room, around the corner from the children's desk, has a changing station and privacy blinds. Room #136 is close to the sanctuary 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.

PPC Middle School Parents Fellowship Dinner

All parents of middle school students (rising 6th - 8th graders) are invited for an evening of fellowship and dinner together! We hope you will join us on Thursday, June 16, at 6:30 p.m., at the home of Misty and Scott Birdsong. For more information and to RSVP, please email Nate Libby at nate.libby@providencedallas.com.

60's+ Community Summer Ice Cream Social

Please join us for an old-time summer ice cream social on Friday, June 24, 7 - 10 p.m. at the home of Nancy and Byron Cain. Hot dogs, apple pie and ice cream will be served! Byron will be featuring his collection of American, state and national flags. Patriotic attire is encouraged. RSVP to Byron at bchome@texastourstrade.com.

Way Back Wednesdays - Summer Evening Studies

Please join us this summer on Wednesday nights for a snack dinner and Bible study. The dates will be June 22, June 29, July 13 and July 20. We will have a Bible study on the book of Jonah for adult men and women, as well as Bible studies for our youth students and upper elementary students (3rd - 5th grades). We would love to have a headcount for dinner for the first two meetings. To RSVP for the studies on June 22 and June 29, please email Allyson Crow at office@providencedallas.com.

Playdates at Providence: Summer Fridays

Moms, babies, and preschoolers are all invited to join us on Fridays this summer, June 3 - July 22, 9:30 - 11 a.m., for music, stories and crafts in the Providence children's wing! We would love to have you and your child join us, and we would love for you to invite friends and neighbors to come as well with their little ones! For more information, please email childrensministry@providencedallas.com.

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