

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

JUNE 5, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Romans 11:33, 36; Revelation 7:12

Minister: Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. And to Him be the glory
forever.

**All: Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and
power and might, be to our God forever and ever.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | No. 53
Stanzas 1, 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 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.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Psalm 23

Minister: Christian, what does it mean that Christ is your Shepherd?

**All: The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want. He makes me lie down
in green pastures, he leads me beside quiet waters, he restores my soul. He
guides me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk
through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with
me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me. You prepare a table before me in
the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.
Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell
in the house of the LORD forever.**

SONG OF PRAISE

The Lord's My Shepherd

BROTHER JAMES AIRE

The Lord's my shepherd, I'll not want; he makes me down to lie,
In pastures green; he leadeth me the quiet waters by,
He leadeth me, He leadeth me the quiet waters by.

My soul he doth restore again and me to walk doth make,
Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake,
Within the paths of righteousness, e'en for his own name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale, yet will I fear no ill,
For thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still,
For thou art with me, and thy rod and staff me comfort still.

Goodness and mercy all my life shall surely follow me,
And in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be,
And in God's house for evermore my dwelling-place shall be.

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, your steadfast love greets us each morning, and your faithfulness is our constant companion. Your mercies are fresh each day. Yet all too often we trust and delight more in your creation than in you, and we have looked to our idols to meet our needs and fill our joy. Father, forgive us. We thank you for Jesus, whose sacrificial life and atoning death pays for all our sins. Help us to know the joy and wonder of our salvation: that Christ gave His life for us and will never leave or forsake us. 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.

SCRIPTURE READING*

1 Samuel 23.1-14

¹ Now they told David, "Behold, the Philistines are fighting against Keilah and are robbing the threshing floors." ² Therefore David inquired of the LORD, "Shall I go and attack these Philistines?" And the LORD said to David, "Go and attack the Philistines and save Keilah." ³ But David's men said to him, "Behold, we are afraid here in Judah; how much more then if we go to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines?" ⁴ Then David inquired of the LORD again. And the LORD answered him, "Arise, go down to Keilah, for I will give the Philistines into your hand." ⁵ And David and his men went to Keilah and fought with the Philistines and brought away their livestock and struck them with a great blow. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah.

SCRIPTURE READING* (CONT.)

⁶ When Abiathar the son of Ahimelech had fled to David to Keilah, he had come down with an ephod in his hand. ⁷ Now it was told Saul that David had come to Keilah. And Saul said, "God has given him into my hand, for he has shut himself in by entering a town that has gates and bars." ⁸ And Saul summoned all the people to war, to go down to Keilah, to besiege David and his men. ⁹ David knew that Saul was plotting harm against him. And he said to Abiathar the priest, "Bring the ephod here." ¹⁰ Then David said, "O LORD, the God of Israel, your servant has surely heard that Saul seeks to come to Keilah, to destroy the city on my account. ¹¹ Will the men of Keilah surrender me into his hand? Will Saul come down, as your servant has heard? O LORD, the God of Israel, please tell your servant." And the LORD said, "He will come down." ¹² Then David said, "Will the men of Keilah surrender me and my men into the hand of Saul?" And the LORD said, "They will surrender you." ¹³ Then David and his men, who were about six hundred, arose and departed from Keilah, and they went wherever they could go. When Saul was told that David had escaped from Keilah, he gave up the expedition. ¹⁴ And David remained in the strongholds in the wilderness, in the hill country of the wilderness of Ziph. And Saul sought him every day, but God did not give him into his hand.

SERMON

Rock of Escape

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Rock of Ages | No. 500
Stanzas 1-4

NEW CITY FELLOWSHIP

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood, from Thy riven side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure; cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labor of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to the cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyes shall close in death,
When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in 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
Be Still, My Soul | No. 689
Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

INLANDIA

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on your side;
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;
Leave to your God to order and provide;
In ev'ry change he faithful will remain.
Be still, my soul: your best, your heav'nly Friend,
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: your God doth undertake
To guide the future as he has the past.
Your hope, your confidence let nothing shake;
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while he dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hast'ning on
When we shall be forever with the Lord,
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

During the cup
Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power | No. 300
Stanzas 1, 3 and 4

O QUANTA QUALIA

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*

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.

1 Samuel 23.15-28

¹⁵ David saw that Saul had come out to seek his life. David was in the wilderness of Ziph at Horesh. ¹⁶ And Jonathan, Saul's son, rose and went to David at Horesh, and strengthened his hand in God. ¹⁷ And he said to him, "Do not fear, for the hand of Saul my father shall not find you. You shall be king over Israel, and I shall be next to you. Saul my father also knows this." ¹⁸ And the two of them made a covenant before the LORD. David remained at Horesh, and Jonathan went home.

¹⁹ Then the Ziphites went up to Saul at Gibeah, saying, "Is not David hiding among us in the strongholds at Horesh, on the hill of Hachilah, which is south of Jeshimon?" ²⁰ Now come down, O king, according to all your heart's desire to come down, and our part shall be to surrender him into the king's hand." ²¹ And Saul said, "May you be blessed by the LORD, for you have had compassion on me. ²² Go, make yet more sure. Know and see the place where his foot is, and who has seen him there, for it is told me that he is very cunning. ²³ See therefore and take note of all the lurking places where he hides, and come back to me with sure information. Then I will go with you. And if he is in the land, I will search him out among all the thousands of Judah." ²⁴ And they arose and went to Ziph ahead of Saul.

Now David and his men were in the wilderness of Maon, in the Arabah to the south of Jeshimon. ²⁵ And Saul and his men went to seek him. And David was told, so he went down to the rock and lived in the wilderness of Maon. And when Saul heard that, he pursued after David in the wilderness of Maon. ²⁶ Saul went on one side of the mountain, and David and his men on the other side of the mountain. And David was hurrying to get away from Saul. 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

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PPC Middle School Parents Fellowship Dinner - Save the Date!

All parents of middle school students (rising 6th - 8th graders) are invited to an evening of fellowship and dinner together! Please save the date and plan join us on Thursday, June 16, at 6:30 p.m., at the home of Misty and Scott Birdsong. More details to come!

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). More details and a link to RSVP for dinner will be coming next week!

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.

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.

Hannah Clarke, piano

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