

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

JULY 31, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 24:7-10, NIV

Minister: Lift up your heads, O you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

All: Who is this King of glory?

Minister: The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

All: Lift up your heads, O you gates; lift them up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Minister: Who is he, this King of glory?

All: The LORD Almighty—he is the King of glory.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Rejoice, the Lord is King | No. 310
Stanzas 1, 2 and 5

DARWALL

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.

*Chorus: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love;
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above. *Chorus*

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come,
And take his servants up to their eternal home. *Chorus*

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from Hebrews 4.14-16

Minister: How should we respond to having Jesus as our Great High Priest?

All: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

SONG OF PRAISE

Before the Throne of God

BANCROFT COOK

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great high Priest whose Name is Love who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free.
For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace,
One with Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased with His blood,
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God!

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 holy and perfect in all your ways, yet you stoop to love us, fallen and sinful rebels that we are. We do not deserve your kindness and care, yet you have set your love upon us. You pursue us with your everlasting promise to work all things for our good and your own glory. And yet we are a people who frequently struggle with malice, hypocrisy, envy, deceit, and slander. In our minds we often rehearse the sins and weaknesses of others, as we try to justify ourselves in self-righteousness. Father, forgive us for the many sins that we commit each and every day. We thank you for the blood of Christ, which cleanses us from all sin, and for the obedience of Christ, which replaces our record of rebellion with the glory of his perfect holiness. Holy Spirit of the living God, help us, we pray. 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

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*

Psalm 110

- ¹ The LORD says to my Lord:
“Sit at my right hand,
until I make your enemies your footstool.”
- ² The LORD sends forth from Zion
your mighty scepter.
Rule in the midst of your enemies!
- ³ Your people will offer themselves freely
on the day of your power,
in holy garments;
from the womb of the morning,
the dew of your youth will be yours.
- ⁴ The LORD has sworn
and will not change his mind,
“You are a priest forever
after the order of Melchizedek.”
- ⁵ The Lord is at your right hand;
he will shatter kings on the day of his wrath.
- ⁶ He will execute judgment among the nations,
filling them with corpses;
he will shatter chiefs
over the wide earth.
- ⁷ He will drink from the brook by the way;
therefore he will lift up his head.

SERMON

The Priest-King

Rev. Chris Bennett

HYMN OF RESPONSE

We Will Glorify

PARIS

We will glorify the King of Kings, we will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of Lords who is the Great I Am.

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty, we will bow before His throne.
We will worship Him in righteousness, we will worship Him alone.

He is Lord of Heaven, Lord of Earth, He is Lord of all who live.
He is Lord above the universe, all praise to Him we give.

Hallelujah to the King of Kings, hallelujah to the Lamb!
Hallelujah to the Lord of Lords, who is the Great I Am.

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
The Lord is King

GIFT OF LOVE

The Lord is King! lift up your voice, O earth; and all ye heavens rejoice!
From world to world, the joy shall ring. "The Lord omnipotent is King."

He reigns! ye saints, exalt your strains; Your God is King, your Father reigns;
And he is at the Father's side, The Man of Love, the Crucified.

One Lord, one empire, all secures; He reigns, and life and death are yours;
Through earth and heav'n, one song shall ring. "The Lord omnipotent is King!"

During the cup
Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

Lift High the Cross | No. 263
Stanzas 1, 3, and 5

CRUCIFER

*Chorus: Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim,
Till all the world adore his sacred name.*

Come, brethren, follow where our Savior trod,
Our King victorious, Christ, the Son of God. *Chorus*

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
As thou hast promised, draw men unto thee. *Chorus*

For thy blest cross which doth for us atone,
Creation's praises rise before thy throne. *Chorus*

BENEDICTION*

Numbers 6:24-26

Minister: The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face to shine upon you
and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

Hebrews 7

¹ For this Melchizedek, king of Salem, priest of the Most High God, met Abraham returning from the slaughter of the kings and blessed him, ² and to him Abraham apportioned a tenth part of everything. He is first, by translation of his name, king of righteousness, and then he is also king of Salem, that is, king of peace. ³ He is without father or mother or genealogy, having neither beginning of days nor end of life, but resembling the Son of God he continues a priest forever.

⁴ See how great this man was to whom Abraham the patriarch gave a tenth of the spoils! ⁵ And those descendants of Levi who receive the priestly office have a commandment in the law to take tithes from the people, that is, from their brothers, though these are also descended from Abraham. ⁶ But this man who does not have his descent from them received tithes from Abraham and blessed him who had the promises. ⁷ It is beyond dispute that the inferior is blessed by the superior. ⁸ In the one case tithes are received by mortal men, but in the other case, by one of whom it is testified that he lives. ⁹ One might even say that Levi himself, who receives tithes, paid tithes through Abraham, ¹⁰ for he was still in the loins of his ancestor when Melchizedek met him.

¹¹ Now if perfection had been attainable through the Levitical priesthood (for under it the people received the law), what further need would there have been for another priest to arise after the order of Melchizedek, rather than one named after the order of Aaron? ¹² For when there is a change in the priesthood, there is necessarily a change in the law as well. ¹³ For the one of whom these things are spoken belonged to another tribe, from which no one has ever served at the altar. ¹⁴ For it is evident that our Lord was descended from Judah, and in connection with that tribe Moses said nothing about priests.

¹⁵ This becomes even more evident when another priest arises in the likeness of Melchizedek, ¹⁶ who has become a priest, not on the basis of a legal requirement concerning bodily descent, but by the power of an indestructible life. ¹⁷ For it is witnessed of him,

“You are a priest forever,
After the order of Melchizedek.”

¹⁸ For on the one hand, a former commandment is set aside because of its weakness and uselessness ¹⁹ (for the law made nothing perfect); but on the other hand, a better hope is introduced, through which we draw near to God.

²⁰ And it was not without an oath. For those who formerly became priests were made such without an oath, ²¹ but this one was made a priest with an oath by the one who said to him:

“The Lord has sworn
and will not change his mind,
‘You are a priest forever.’”

²² This makes Jesus the guarantor of a better covenant.

²³ The former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office, ²⁴ but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. ²⁵ Consequently, he is able to save to the uttermost those who draw near to God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them.

²⁶ For it was indeed fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, innocent, unstained, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. ²⁷ He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself.

²⁸ For the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebration of Birth!

We rejoice with Ann Marie and Blake Waltrip as they welcome their daughter, Mary Margaret, born on July 24!

Next Supper Club Opportunity

If you are a member of PPC and would like to be in a supper club with others in our church family, supper club groups will be meeting again in the Fall! With the groups of six adults changing each time, these supper club gatherings will take place once a quarter in a member's home. This is a wonderful way to get to know other members of our church and enjoy a meal and fellowship together. To be put in a group for the Fall dinner, please email Julia Grandon at Supperclub2022@gmail.com by Sunday, August 14. If you are interested in serving as a dinner host, please include that as well.

Swim Party for Families of Infants, Preschoolers and Elementary Age Children

All families of infants, preschoolers and elementary age children are invited to join us for a Back to School Swim Party on Saturday, August 13, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Spring Creek Pool (7817 Belt Line Road, Dallas 75254). There will be a lifeguard on duty. Lunch and ice cream bars will be provided, and additional snacks and treats can be purchased there for \$0.50. We hope you can join us for this fun opportunity to enjoy fellowship with other families at PPC! If you have any questions, please email 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!

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