

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

OCTOBER 30, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 22:22b, 97:12, 145:1,3

Minister: In the midst of the congregation, I will praise You. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name!

**All: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Let All Things Now Living | No. 125
Stanzas 1-2

ASH GROVE

Let all things now living a song of thanksgiving
To God the Creator triumphantly raise,
Who fashioned and made us, protected and stayed us,
Who guides us and leads to the end of our days.
His banners are o'er us, his light goes before us,
A pillar of fire shining forth in the night,
'Till shadows have vanished and darkness is banished,
As forward we travel from light into light.

His law he enforces: the stars in their courses,
And sun in its orbit, obediently shine;
The hills and the mountains, the rivers and fountains,
The deeps of the ocean proclaim him divine.
We too should be voicing our love and rejoicing,
With glad adoration a song let us raise,
'Till all things now living unite in thanksgiving
To God in the highest, hosanna and praise!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from Galatians 3.7-11

Minister: Christian, through what instrument do we receive salvation?

All: Those who have faith are children of Abraham. Scripture foresaw that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, and announced the gospel in advance to Abraham: "All nations will be blessed through you." So those who rely on faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith. For all who rely on the works of the law are under a curse, as it is written: "Cursed is everyone who does not continue to do everything written in the Book of the Law." Clearly no one who relies on the law is justified before God, because "the righteous will live by faith."

SONG OF PRAISE

He Will Hold Me Fast

MERKER

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

*Chorus: He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

Chorus

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

Chorus

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, in your kindness you have saved us and brought us into your kingdom, but we run from you daily and worship other gods. We often love our jobs, titles, possessions, family, and friends more than we love you. And in loving these most of all, we reject you. Forgive us, we pray. We thank you for Jesus who endured poverty, shame, and a criminal's death on our behalf. Help our love for him to grow so that we will increasingly despise the false security, comfort, and pleasure our sins offer. 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*

2 Kings 6.1-7

¹ Now the sons of the prophets said to Elisha, “See, the place where we dwell under your charge is too small for us. ² Let us go to the Jordan and each of us get there a log and let us make a place for us to dwell there.”

And he answered, “Go.”

³ Then one of them said, “Be pleased to go with your servants.”

And he answered, “I will go.” ⁴ So he went with them.

And when they came to the Jordan, they cut down trees. ⁵ But as one was felling a log, his axe head fell into the water, and he cried out, “Alas, my master! It was borrowed.”

⁶ Then the man of God said, “Where did it fall?” When he showed him the place, he cut off a stick and threw it in there and made the iron float. ⁷ And he said, “Take it up.” So he reached out his hand and took it.

SERMON

When All Hope Sinks

Rev. David Rea

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less | No. 521
Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

SOLID ROCK

My hope is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name.

*Chorus: On Christ, the solid rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand, all other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace;
In ev'ry high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil.

Chorus

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found;
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne.

Chorus

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

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 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.

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: May the blessing of God Almighty, God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit, be with you all now and forever.

SERMON NOTES

FALL BIBLE STUDIES

Women's Bible Studies

Offered Wednesday mornings, 9:30 - 11 a.m. (with childcare) AND
Wednesday evenings, 7 – 8 p.m.

September 14 - November 16

Led by Alyson Averitt at PPC

Luke: Good News of Great Joy

This fall, we will be studying the book of Luke together, meditating on the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Christ. The more we know Him, the more we love and trust Him. Luke sets out to give us a very detailed account of this Savior whom he loves, the one who came to seek and save the lost. This is a wonderful opportunity for both fellowship and an in-depth and devotional study of what Luke records of the gospel, the very good news, of the Lord Jesus Christ. Please email Alyson Averitt (alyson.averitt@providencedallas.com) to sign up.

Young Adults Men's Study - The Ten Commandments

Tuesdays from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at PPC beginning on September 6

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

What place do the Ten Commandments now have in the Christian life? What do they mean? Why do they matter? Why should we obey them? In our fall study, we will be using Kevin DeYoung's book, "The 10 Commandments," to explore our joyful responsibility of knowing and obeying the Ten Commandments. It is my hope that by the end of the study we will have a better understanding of the God they reflect and a greater appreciation of the One in whom they have been fulfilled.

Ephesians

Wednesdays from 12 to 1 p.m. at PPC beginning on September 14

*** Lunch is provided.**

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

In the book of Ephesians, Paul is instructing Christians to have a clearer grasp of who they are in relation to God, to themselves, to the church, and to unbelievers. In this study we will take a closer look at Paul's teaching for living out the Christian faith day to day and apply it to ourselves, so that we too "may walk in a manner that is worthy of the calling that we have received in Christ." Please email Nate if you plan to attend.

Hosea

Fridays at 7 a.m. at PPC beginning on September 16

Led by Bobby Cardone, Teddy Chu and Christopher Norfleet

Join us on Friday mornings for fellowship and Bible study. We will work through the book of Hosea, using the "Knowing the Bible" study series. Come and be encouraged as we study this book and occasionally, eat tacos together! Please contact Teddy Chu at teddychu822@yahoo.com if you have any questions and to be put on the email list.

Youth Bible Studies

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PPC Fall Picnic - Today!

Please plan to join us immediately following worship today for a church-wide fall picnic! Lunch will be provided by The Hamburger Man. This will be a fun opportunity to enjoy good food and great fellowship with all of our church family.

WOW (Women of Wisdom) November Fellowship

Please join us for dinner on Thursday, November 10, at 6 p.m. at Royal China (6025 Royal Lane, Dallas 75230). RSVP to Margie McCabe by texting 469.964.8512. All ladies 60ish and up are invited to attend.

New Members Class

If you are interested in joining Providence or just learning more about PPC, then please plan to join us for our next new members class. We will meet on Sunday morning, December 4, 8-10 a.m. before worship. For more information and to sign up, email Allyson Crow at office@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!

Church Offering

We have two white offering boxes in the lobby outside the sanctuary, one on each of the gray tables. Our hope is that these boxes will provide a place for you and your family to thoughtfully, cheerfully and discreetly bring your offerings to worship on Sunday mornings. If you have been giving online through our church's website or mailing a check to the office, please feel free to continue doing so if that is your preference.

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