

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

NOVEMBER 6, 2022

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Hebrews 12:1-2

Minister: Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us,

All: Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith. Who, for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

A Mighty Fortress is Our God | No. 92
Stanzas 1, 2 and 4

EIN' FEST BURG

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.

Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same,
And he must win the battle.

That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth;
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from Romans 1.16-17

Minister: Christian, what does the gospel reveal?

All: For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile. For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed -- a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: "The righteous will live by faith."

SONG OF PRAISE

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

CITYALIGHT

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer; there is no more for heaven now to give.
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom;
my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus; for my life is wholly bound to His.
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: All is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken; for by my side, the Savior, He will stay.
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing; for in my need, His power is displayed.
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me; through the deepest valley He will lead.
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven; the future sure, the price it has been paid.
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, and He was raised to overthrow the grave.
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated; Jesus now and ever is my plea.
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus, for He has said that He will bring me home.
And day by day, I know He will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne.
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, all the glory evermore to Him.
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

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: Father of mercy, though you have adopted us into your family and forgiven our sins, we confess that we continue to rebel against you in thought, word, and deed. We struggle with pride and love to exalt ourselves and enjoy the praise and admiration of those around us. Like the unmerciful servant, we are grateful for your kindness to us, yet we often find it difficult to extend that same mercy and kindness to others. Forgive us for our countless expressions of self-worship. Teach us to walk in humble dependence upon you, and may Jesus Christ be exalted in our minds and hearts. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 1:7, Romans 4:7

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace. Blessed are they whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered.

COMMUNICANT VOWS

*Annie Averitt
Julianna Breed
Eli Cantu*

*Eleanor Enright
Rachel George
Charlie Hagan*

*Houston Harris
Lilly Lipe
Jack Norfleet*

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Jack Norfleet

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*

Hebrews 13.7-9a

⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. ⁹Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings.

SERMON

Yesterday, Today, and Forever

Dr. Bob Cara

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

MELODY GREEN

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*

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

GETTY AND TOWNEND

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain;
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again;
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside;
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly;
Whose ev'ry promise is enough for ev'ry step I take,
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above,
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose ev'ry thought is love.
For ev'ry day I have on earth is given by the King;
So I will give my life, my all, to love and follow Him.

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

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

Guest Preacher - Dr. Bob Cara

Dr. Bob Cara is the Hugh and Sallie Reaves Professor of New Testament at RTS Charlotte and Provost and Chief Academic Officer for the RTS institution. He has been a professor at RTS for over 25 years. Bob is an ordained minister in the Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, and he preaches regularly in the Charlotte area. We are thrilled to have Dr. Cara filling the pulpit for us this morning!

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.

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.

Musicians:

Brandon Aguilon, horn
Shea Kells-Murphy, horn

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