

# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## *Order of Worship*

FEBRUARY 12, 2023

### 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\*

*All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above* | No. 4  
*Stanzas 1, 2, and 4*

MIT FREUDEN ZART

All praise to God, who reigns above, the God of all creation,  
The God of wonders, pow'r, and love, the God of our salvation!  
With healing balm my soul he fills, the God who every sorrow stills.  
To God all praise and glory!

What God's almighty pow'r hath made his gracious mercy keepeth;  
By morning dawn or evening shade his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;  
Within the kingdom of his might, lo, all is just and all is right.  
To God all praise and glory!

The Lord forsaketh not his flock, his chosen generation;  
He is their refuge and their rock, their peace and their salvation.  
As with a mother's tender hand he leads his own, his chosen band.  
To God all praise and glory!

### CONFESSION OF FAITH

*Apostles Creed*

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

**All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church\*,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*meaning the universal Christian church – all believers in Jesus Christ

## SONG OF PRAISE

### *The Perfect Wisdom of Our God*

Getty, Townend

The perfect wisdom of our God, Revealed in all the universe:  
All things created by His hand, And held together at His command.  
He knows the mysteries of the seas, The secrets of the stars are His;  
He guides the planets on their way, And turns the earth through another day.

The matchless wisdom of His ways, That mark the path of righteousness;  
His word a lamp unto my feet, His Spirit teaching and guiding me.  
And oh, the mystery of the cross, That God should suffer for the lost  
So that the fool might shame the wise, And all the glory might go to Christ!

Oh grant me wisdom from above, To pray for peace and cling to love,  
And teach me humbly to receive The sun and rain of Your sovereignty.  
Each strand of sorrow has a place Within this tapestry of grace;  
So through the trials I choose to say: "Your perfect will in your perfect way."

## PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

*adapted from The Valley of Vision*

Minister: Let us confess our sins before our righteous and holy God.

**All: O my Savior, help me. I am slow to learn and quick to forget. I am pained by my graceless heart, my prayerless days, and my sullied conscience. I am blind while your grace shines around me: take the scales from my eyes and help me to repent of my unbelief. Make it my highest joy to study thee, meditate on thee, and gaze on thee. Enable me, by your Spirit, to grow in grace so that there may be more fervor in my devotion and more constancy in my zeal. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.**

## PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*Romans 5:1*

Hear the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## 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\*

### *Colossians 3.1-14*

<sup>1</sup> If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. <sup>2</sup> Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. <sup>3</sup> For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. <sup>4</sup> When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

<sup>5</sup> Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. <sup>6</sup> On account of these the wrath of God is coming. <sup>7</sup> In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. <sup>8</sup> But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. <sup>9</sup> Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices <sup>10</sup> and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. <sup>11</sup> Here there is not Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free; but Christ is all, and in all.

<sup>12</sup> Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, <sup>13</sup> bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. <sup>14</sup> And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

## SERMON

### **Clothed with Love**

*Rev. David Rea*

## HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

### ***Holy Spirit***

*Getty, Townend*

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul.  
Bring the presence of the risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole.  
Cause your word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see;  
Give me passion for your purity. Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may your joy be seen in all I do—  
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin in each thought and deed and attitude,  
Kindness to the greatest and the least, gentleness that sows the path of peace.  
Turn my striving into works of grace. Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made,  
Show your power once again on earth; cause your church to hunger for your ways.  
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise. Lead us on the road of sacrifice  
That in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

## 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 Is Mine**

Merker, Kauflin, and Getty

Fade, fade, each earthly joy; Jesus is mine.  
Stronger than fleeting hopes, Jesus is mine.  
Dark is the wilderness, earth has no resting place,  
Jesus alone can bless; Jesus is mine.

In days of fragile peace, Jesus is mine.  
Through tearful nights of grief, Jesus is mine.  
His voice commands the storm, his presence stills my soul,  
He will sustain my hope; Jesus is mine.

*Refrain: Jesus is mine, Jesus is mine,  
When all else fails, He still remains; Jesus is mine.*

When on that final day, Jesus is mine;  
Before his radiant face, Jesus is mine.  
Safe in his arms I'll cling, praising my Savior King,  
Forevermore I'll sing: "Jesus is mine."

*Refrain*

*Repeat Refrain*

*During the cup*  
**Instrumental**

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

**CLOSING HYMN\***

***Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*** | No. 457  
*Stanzas 1-3*

NETTLETON

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:  
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love:  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

**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

## Winter/Spring Bible Studies

### Women's Bible Studies

Offered Wednesday mornings, 9:30 - 11 a.m. (with childcare) AND

Wednesday evenings, 7 – 8 p.m.

**Beginning on January 18**

*Taught by Alyson Averitt (alyson.averitt@providencedallas.com)*

### Exodus: The Great I AM

The redemption of God's people from slavery and their deliverance into the land of milk and honey is a picture of our own redemption in Christ and deliverance to glory. It is a story of finding hope in the midst of hopelessness and forgiveness for a sinful people. It is a picture of the living God who is high and holy, and who loves his people with an everlasting love. Through studying chapters 1-18 of this book, we will discuss what it means to trust God in difficulty and how his continued faithfulness encourages us to persevere in our own life journeys. Please email Alyson Averitt if you have any questions or to sign up.

### Young Adult Men's Study - Joshua: Unfailing Promises

**Tuesdays from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at PPC beginning on January 17**

*Taught by Chris Bennett (chris.bennett@providencedallas.com)*

Well over five hundred years before the recorded events of Joshua, God pledged to Abraham that, "To your offspring I will give this land" (Gen 12:7). The land to which he referred was the land of Canaan and it's this promise of land that is picked up in the opening verses of Joshua. As time passes and anticipation builds, God's people are left to wonder whether God's word still stands. The book of Joshua gives us the answer and the answer is just as relevant now as it was then.

### Men's Study: The Acts of the Apostles

**Wednesdays from 12 to 1 p.m. at PPC beginning on January 18**

**\* Lunch is provided.**

*Taught by Nate Libby (nate.libby@providencedallas.com)*

The book of Acts is a brief history of the roots of the first three decades for the early church. As one scholar puts it, "Beginning with the ascension of Jesus and ending with Paul in Rome under house arrest this book highlights many miraculous and "exciting" events, including healings, speaking in tongues, prison breaks, mass conversions, martyrdom, riots, persecutions, shipwrecks, and appearances before high officials. Behind and orchestrating all these events is the triune God who is "gathering and perfecting" the church." Please confirm your attendance each week with Nate for a headcount for lunch.

### Men's Study: The Epistles of Peter and Jude

**Fridays at 7 a.m. at PPC beginning on January 13**

*Led by Teddy Chu, Christopher Norfleet and Bobby Cardone*

Join us on Friday mornings for fellowship and Bible study. We will work through the books of First and Second Peter and Jude, using the "Knowing the Bible" study series. Come and be encouraged as we study these books and occasionally, eat tacos together! Please contact Bobby Cardone at robertjcardone@gmail.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

### *In Loving Memory*

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Kristi and Michael Breed, as well as Eleanor, Julianna and Adelaide, in the loss of Michael's brother, Sean Breed.

We also extend our heartfelt condolences to Dawn and Houston Harris, as well as Mary Aldon and Houston, Jr., in the loss of Dawn's brother, Mark Lyons.

We pray for both of these families, that they would know the comfort and grace of Christ Jesus during this difficult time.

### **WOW (Women of Wisdom) February Fellowship**

We hope you can join us for lunch on Wednesday, February 22 at 11:45 a.m. at Princi Italia (5959 Royal Lane, Dallas 75230). Please reply to Margie McCabe at 469.964.8512 by February 19. All ladies 60ish and up are invited to attend.

### **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](mailto: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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#### **Ruling Elders**

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#### **Deacons**

Dan Bowers	Jack Mechem	David Sibley
Teddy Chu	Casey Plummer	
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