

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

MARCH 12, 2023

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

Psalm 100

Minister: Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

All: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

All Creatures of Our God and King | No. 115
Stanzas 1, 4, and 5

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam!
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

And all ye men of tender heart, forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye! Alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear, praise God and on Him cast your care!
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One!
O praise Him! O praise Him! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

adapted from 1 Timothy 2.5-6

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

All: There is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This is the message God gave to the world at just the right time.

SONG OF PRAISE

I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)

Kauflin, Merker, Getty and Townend

Out of the depths I cry to You,
In darkest places I will call.
Incline Your ear to me anew,
And hear my cry for mercy, Lord.

Were you to count my sinful ways,
How could I come before Your throne?
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze,
I stand redeemed by grace alone.

*Chorus: I will wait for You, I will wait for You, on your Word I will rely.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You, till my soul is satisfied.*

So put your hope in God alone.
Take courage in His power to save,
Completely and forever won
By Christ's emerging from the grave. *Chorus*

Now He has come to make a way,
And God Himself has paid the price,
That all who trust in Him today,
Find healing in His sacrifice. *Chorus*

*Final chorus:
I will wait for You, I will wait for You, through the storm and through the night.
I will wait for You, surely wait for You, for Your love is my delight.*

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, we are a people who praise you that we are not condemned; and yet with our next thought, we freely judge and condemn others. We often judge their appearance, their education, their spirituality, and their perceived lack of wisdom and giftedness. We even judge them for the things we frequently do ourselves. Forgive us, we pray. Help us to repent of our judgmental thoughts and love and forgive others as we have been loved and forgiven in Christ. 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****Philippians 1.18-30***

¹⁸ Yes, and I will rejoice, ¹⁹ for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰ as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²² If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³ I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴ But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵ Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶ so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

²⁷ Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, ²⁸ and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. ²⁹ For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, ³⁰ engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

SERMON**To Live is Christ, and To Die is Gain***Rev. David Rea***HYMN OF RESPONSE******Christ Our Hope in Life and Death****Getty, Papa*

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone.
 What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong.
 Who holds our days within His hand?
 What comes, apart from His command?
 And what will keep us to the end?
 The love of Christ, in which we stand.

*Refrain: O sing Hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal; O sing Hallelujah!
 Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.*

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good.
 Where is His grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood.
 Who holds our faith when fears arise?
 Who stands above the stormy trial?
 Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
 Unto the shore, the rock of Christ? *Refrain*

Unto the grave, what will we sing? "Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"
 And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with Him.
 There we will rise to meet the Lord,
 Then sin and death will be destroyed,
 And we will feast in endless joy,
 When Christ is ours forevermore. *Refrain Repeat Refrain*

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

Behold the Lamb

Getty

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us - and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you - eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you - drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond, - and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

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: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be
with you from this time forth and forevermore.

SERMON NOTES

Special Announcement for Families with Young Children

We love our young families, and we praise God for each and every family that He has brought to our church. We are also so thankful for all of the children in our congregation. Each one of them is dearly loved, deeply valued and warmly welcomed at PPC on Sunday mornings. Lord's Day Worship is the best part of our week as God's people, and we want for everyone who attends to be able to hear clearly and reflect upon God's Word preached each Sunday morning. If your children struggle to stay quiet during the service, we would love for you to please consider one of the two options that we have for families with young children. We have childcare available each week for infants through preschoolers. Each classroom is staffed with childcare workers and/or PPC members who will take wonderful care of your children as well as provide a great Bible lesson and fun activities for them. We also have an overflow room (Room #136 is close to the sanctuary and is in the same hallway as the church offices.) which is fully equipped with a streaming television and volume control that allows for the service to be seen and heard perfectly. We strongly and lovingly encourage you to take advantage of these options as a way to graciously allow all of our congregation to enjoy and fully engage in our worship service. We sincerely thank you for your understanding and for thoughtfully considering this request.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

In Loving Memory

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Kathyne and Jeff Hillier in the loss of Kathyne's father, J.B. Bennett. We pray that they would know the comfort and grace of Christ Jesus during this difficult time.

Sunday School Break

We will continue our Sunday School break next Sunday, March 19. Classes will resume on Sunday, March 26.

WOW (Women of Wisdom) March Fellowship

We hope you can join us for lunch on Wednesday, March 22 at 11:45 a.m. at Escondido (5950 Royal Lane). Please reply to Elaine Roumillat at 214.649.1860 by Sunday, March 19. All ladies 60ish and up are invited to attend!

Good Friday Service

Why is the time between Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem and his resurrection sometimes called Passion Week? The word "passion" in this case is derived from the Latin word "passio," which means "to endure or suffer." The purpose of the Good Friday service is to reflect upon the suffering of Jesus during these days, from Gethsemane to Golgotha. Please plan to attend this deeply moving service on Friday, April 7, at 5 p.m. Through Scripture reading, music, prayer, and the Lord's Supper, we will meditate on the depth of the Lord's sacrifice for our sins and prepare our hearts for the joy of His resurrection. (Childcare will be provided for children ages 5 and under.)

New Members Class

If you are interested in joining Providence or just learning more about PPC, then please save the date and plan to join us for our next new members class. We will meet on Sunday, May 21, 8-10 a.m. before worship. For more information and to sign up, email Allyson Crow at office@providencedallas.com.

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