# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

MAY 28, 2023

WELCOME

**PRELUDE** 

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\*

Come Thou Almighty King | No. 101

TRINITY

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, Help us to praise: Father, all glorious, O'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, Our prayer attend: come and thy people bless, And give thy Word success, Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, Now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, Hence evermore. His sovereign majesty May we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

#### CONFESSION OF FAITH

a responsive reading from Exodus 3.13-15

Minister: Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?"

All: God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I AM has sent me to you. The LORD, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

# Come, People of the Risen King

Getty, Townend

Come, people of the risen King, who delight to bring Him praise. Come, all and tune your hearts to sing to the Morning Star of grace. From the shifting shadows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him, Where steady arms of mercy reach to gather children in.

Chorus: Rejoice! Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice! One heart, one voice, O Church of Christ, rejoice!

Come, those whose joy is morning sun and those weeping through the night. Come, those who tell of battles won, and those struggling in the fight. For His perfect love will never change, and His mercies never cease, But follow us through all our days with the certain hope of peace. *Chorus* 

Come, young and old from every land, men and women of the faith. Come, those with full or empty hands, find the riches of His grace. Over all the world, His people sing, shore to shore we hear them call The Truth that cries through every age; 'Our God is all in all'. *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, we confess our sinful response to the trials and discomforts of our lives. Instead of turning to you in times of trouble, we often look to earthly things that falsely promise escape and comfort. We are frequently charmed by vain things: the possessions that we have or want; the temptation to worship our bodies, our abilities, and the approval of others. We thank you for Jesus, who took on our sin and looked perfectly to you in every single situation of his life, trusting you completely in all things. Lift our eyes afresh to the cross, from whence our help comes, the place where our lives were saved by Jesus' death. In His name we pray, amen.

#### PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 3:22 and the Heidelberg Catechism Q. 21

Righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. Out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, we have had our sins forgiven, have been made forever right with God, and have been granted salvation.

## RECOGNITION AND COMMISSION OF GRADUATING SENIORS

George Boyd	Colby Mechem	Jack Rea
Preston Cooper	Avery Owens	Jenna Smith
William Coulter	Ethan Rainer	Whitney Sonju

## **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.

<sup>1</sup> After this I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven! And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." <sup>2</sup> At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne. <sup>3</sup> And he who sat there had the appearance of jasper and carnelian, and around the throne was a rainbow that had the appearance of an emerald. <sup>4</sup> Around the throne were twenty-four thrones, and seated on the thrones were twenty-four elders, clothed in white garments, with golden crowns on their heads. <sup>5</sup> From the throne came flashes of lightning, and rumblings and peals of thunder, and before the throne were burning seven torches of fire, which are the seven spirits of God, <sup>6</sup> and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass, like crystal.

And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: <sup>7</sup> the first living creature like a lion, the second living creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight. <sup>8</sup> And the four living creatures, each of them with six wings, are full of eyes all around and within, and day and night they never cease to say,

"Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

<sup>9</sup> And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, <sup>10</sup> the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

11 "Worthy are you, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

SERMON The Throne Rev. David Rea

#### **HYMN OF RESPONSE\***

## 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!

## 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

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.

During the cup Instrumental

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## **CLOSING HYMN\***

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past | No. 30 Stanzas 1, 4 and 7

ST. ANNE

Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come, Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.

A thousand ages in your sight Are like an evening gone; Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come: O be our guard while troubles last, And our eternal home.

## 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

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# 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!

# Way Back Wednesdays - Summer Evening Studies

Way Back Wednesdays will be back this summer! We hope you will save the dates and plan to join us this summer on Wednesday nights, 6:30 – 8 p.m., for dinner and Bible study. The dates will be June 21, June 28, July 12 and July 19. We will have a Bible study for adult men and women on the book of Ruth, as well as Bible studies and activities for our youth students and elementary students (rising Kindergarten - 5th grades). Child care will be provided for infants and preschoolers by reservation. More details and a link to RSVP for dinner and child care will be coming as we get closer!

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# In Loving Memory

We extend our heartfelt condolences to Shannon and Brett Owens, as well as Avery, Benton and Josh, in the loss of Brett's father, Jay Owens. We pray that they would know the comfort and grace of Christ Jesus during this difficult time.

# PPC Women's Taco Truck Fellowship

All PPC women are invited for a taco truck fellowship this Wednesday, May 31 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jennifer Sibley (5225 Preston Haven Drive). We hope you can join us for a fun evening of tacos and fellowship! You can RSVP to Alyson Averitt at alyson.averitt@providencedallas.com.

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

Join us for a Kickoff to Summer Swim Party on Saturday, June 3, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Spring Creek Pool (7817 Belt Line Road, Dallas 75254). All families of infants, preschoolers and elementary age children are invited. 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 \$1. 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.

# Summer Wednesday Morning Park Playdates

Calling all moms of babies and preschoolers! Join us this summer on Wednesday mornings in June and July for park playdates. We will meet at different parks throughout the summer to fellowship and play. Older siblings are welcome, too! Please email Kristi Breed (childrensministry@providencedallas.com) if you would like to receive emails each week with the details of where to meet up.

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