

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

OCTOBER 1, 2023

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Isaiah 65.1; Psalm 118.23-24

Minister: I was sought by those who did not ask for me. I was found by those who did not seek me. I said, 'Here I am, here I am,' to a nation that was not called by my name.

All: This is the LORD's doing. It is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the LORD has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

O Worship the King | No. 2
Stanzas 1, 2, and 5

LYONS

O worship the King all glorious above,
O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love,
Our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail,
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

CONFESSION OF FAITH

from 2 Corinthians 12.9

Minister: Christians, where do we find strength when we are weak?

All: God said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.' Therefore, I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me.

SONG OF PRAISE

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

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

All: Heavenly Father, you are the all-wise King who created and sustains all things by your wisdom. Your holiness and power are made evident in your providential care for everything you have made, including us. Yet, we acknowledge that we've not always shown the gratitude and reverence that befits your majesty. At times, our focus has been sinfully swayed by worldly pursuits, like power, wealth, and status. Forgive us, we pray. We thank you for the unwavering faith of Jesus, who always held you above all else. Guide us daily towards a deeper appreciation and understanding of your ways, until the day we find eternal peace in your presence. In Jesus' 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.

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.

¹ And the people of Israel again did what was evil in the sight of the LORD after Ehud died. ² And the LORD sold them into the hand of Jabin king of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor. The commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-hagoyim. ³ Then the people of Israel cried out to the LORD for help, for he had 900 chariots of iron and he oppressed the people of Israel cruelly for twenty years.

⁴ Now Deborah, a prophetess, the wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel at that time. ⁵ She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim, and the people of Israel came up to her for judgment. ⁶ She sent and summoned Barak the son of Abinoam from Kedesh-naphtali and said to him, "Has not the LORD, the God of Israel, commanded you, 'Go, gather your men at Mount Tabor, taking 10,000 from the people of Naphtali and the people of Zebulun.' ⁷ And I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the river Kishon with his chariots and his troops, and I will give him into your hand?" ⁸ Barak said to her, "If you will go with me, I will go, but if you will not go with me, I will not go." ⁹ And she said, "I will surely go with you. Nevertheless, the road on which you are going will not lead to your glory, for the LORD will sell Sisera into the hand of a woman." Then Deborah arose and went with Barak to Kedesh. ¹⁰ And Barak called out Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh. And 10,000 men went up at his heels, and Deborah went up with him.

¹¹ Now Heber the Kenite had separated from the Kenites, the descendants of Hobab the father-in-law of Moses, and had pitched his tent as far away as the oak in Zaanannim, which is near Kedesh.

¹² When Sisera was told that Barak the son of Abinoam had gone up to Mount Tabor, ¹³ Sisera called out all his chariots, 900 chariots of iron, and all the men who were with him, from Harosheth-hagoyim to the river Kishon. ¹⁴ And Deborah said to Barak, "Up! For this is the day in which the LORD has given Sisera into your hand. Does not the LORD go out before you?" So Barak went down from Mount Tabor with 10,000 men following him. ¹⁵ And the LORD routed Sisera and all his chariots and all his army before Barak by the edge of the sword. And Sisera got down from his chariot and fled away on foot. ¹⁶ And Barak pursued the chariots and the army to Harosheth-hagoyim, and all the army of Sisera fell by the edge of the sword; not a man was left.

SERMON

Israel Under Deborah: A Story of Redemption*Rev. David Rea*

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

How Deep the Father's Love for Us*Townend*

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the chosen One, bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders,
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished,
His dying breath has brought me life; I know that it is finished.

HYMN OF RESPONSE* (CONT.)

I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no power, no wisdom,
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart, His wounds have paid my ransom.

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

Come to Jesus (Rest in Him)

Kauflin, Merker

Are you weary, heavy laden? Come and lay your burdens down.
Jesus calls you, Jesus draws you; rest in Him.
He is gentle, He is lowly, He delights to bring us peace,
Tender Shepherd, mighty Savior: rest in Him.

*Chorus: How sure His compassion for us!
Oh how deep is His love.
So come, come to Jesus and rest in Him.*

Are you hopeless, are you guilty? Caught in shame for all your sin?
He pursues you to forgive you; rest in Him.
He has paid for every failure, mercy flows in endless streams,
Come and follow, freedom calls you: rest in Him.

Chorus

Are you waiting in your sorrows for this broken world to heal?
He is coming, soon returning; rest in Him.
We will see Him, we will know Him, O what heights of grace revealed,
From His kindness, every promise then fulfilled.
Trust in Jesus, He will keep us to the end.

Chorus

Repeat Chorus

During the cup

Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above | No. 4
Stanzas 1, 2, and 5 (alt)

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!

We, who confess Christ's holy name, to God give thanks and glory!
We, who the Father's power proclaim, to God give thanks and glory!
All idols underfoot be trod, the Lord is God! The Lord is God!
To God all praise and glory!

BENEDICTION*

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

Judges 4.17-24

¹⁷ But Sisera fled away on foot to the tent of Jael, the wife of Heber the Kenite, for there was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite.

¹⁸ And Jael came out to meet Sisera and said to him, "Turn aside, my lord; turn aside to me; do not be afraid." So he turned aside to her into the tent, and she covered him with a rug. ¹⁹ And he said to her, "Please give me a little water to drink, for I am thirsty." So she opened a skin of milk and gave him a drink and covered him.

²⁰ And he said to her, "Stand at the opening of the tent, and if any man comes and asks you, 'Is anyone here?' say, 'No.'" ²¹ But Jael the wife of Heber took a tent peg, and took a hammer in her hand. Then she went softly to him and drove the peg into his temple until it went down into the ground while he was lying fast asleep from weariness. So he died. ²² And behold, as Barak was pursuing Sisera, Jael went out to meet him and said to him, "Come, and I will show you the man whom you are seeking." So he went in to her tent, and there lay Sisera dead, with the tent peg in his temple.

²³ So on that day God subdued Jabin the king of Canaan before the people of Israel.

²⁴ And the hand of the people of Israel pressed harder and harder against Jabin the king of Canaan, until they destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOW (Women of Wisdom) October Fellowship

Please join us for a fun day at the Dallas Arboretum on Friday, October 20. We will meet at Gate 1 at 10 a.m. to see the pumpkins and then have lunch at the DeGolyer House at 11:30 a.m. You can RSVP to Becky Hendricks at 214.232.0777 by Monday, October 16. You are welcome to come just to see the pumpkins or just have lunch, or both! All ladies 55ish and up are invited to attend.

Grieving A Loss?

Come to GriefShare on Wednesday, November 15, 7-8:30 p.m. Discover hope and healing after the loss of a loved one. We are offering a special session designed to support those grieving. In this 90-minute gathering, you have the freedom to listen, reflect, feel, share, or simply be present in any way that is comfortable for you. There's no need to prepare or feel obligated to participate. However, your insights and feelings can enrich our guided discussion. Together, we'll listen, share, cry, laugh, pray, and find comfort in each other's company. If you're interested in taking advantage of this free GriefShare session, please contact the church office at office@providencedallas.com. This session will be led by Robby Rucker.

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, December 3, 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!

Yesenia Campos, violin

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