PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

WELCOME

Prelude

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 22.22b; 97.12; 145.1,3

- Minister: In the midst of the congregation, I will praise You. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, and give thanks to God's holy name!
- All: I will extol you, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever. Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

Crown Him with Many Crowns | No. 295

Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

DIADEMATA

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; Hark! How the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own: Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time; Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: All hail, Redeemer, hail! For Thou has died for me: Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

adapted from James 1.13-15

Minister: Christian, how do our desires often lead to sin and its consequences?

All: When tempted, no one should say, "God is tempting me." For God cannot be tempted by evil, nor does he tempt anyone, but each person is tempted when they are dragged away by their own evil desire and enticed. These desires give birth to sinful actions. And when sin is allowed to grow, it gives birth to death.

SONG OF PRAISE

I Will Glory in My Redeemer

I will glory in my Redeemer whose priceless blood has ransomed me. Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails and hung Him on that judgment tree. I will glory in my Redeemer, who crushed the pow'r of sin and death; My only Savior before the Holy Judge, the Lamb who is my righteousness, The Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer. My life He bought, my love He owns. I have no longings for another; I'm satisfied in Him alone. I will glory in my Redeemer, His faithfulness, my standing place, Though foes are mighty and rush upon me, my feet are firm, held by His grace; My feet are firm, held by His grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer who carries me on eagle's wings. He crowns my life with loving kindness, His triumph song I'll ever sing. I will glory in my Redeemer, who waits for me at gates of gold And when He calls me it will be paradise, His face forever to behold; His face forever to behold.

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

All: Heavenly Father, you have graciously provided us with Christ, our faithful guide, who accompanies us in moments of calm, and through the darkest valleys. You have committed to showering us with your kindness and mercy throughout our lives. Yet, we confess that we frequently doubt your compassion and dedication. Instead of relying on you to meet our needs through Christ, we often sinfully seek other avenues. We humbly ask for your forgiveness, and pray that you teach us to always find comfort in Jesus, our caring and loving Shepherd, no matter the circumstances. 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.

NEW MEMBER VOWS

Nienke Abarbanel Marlene and Gary Carson Sarah and Tyler Ozanne (Porter, Glenn and Shaw)

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*

Judges 1.1-10

¹ After the death of Joshua, the people of Israel inquired of the LORD, "Who shall go up first for us against the Canaanites, to fight against them?" ² The LORD said, "Judah shall go up; behold, I have given the land into his hand." ³ And Judah said to Simeon his brother, "Come up with me into the territory allotted to me, that we may fight against the Canaanites. And I likewise will go with you into the territory allotted to you." So Simeon went with him. ⁴ Then Judah went up and the LORD gave the Canaanites and the Perizzites into their hand, and they defeated 10,000 of them at Bezek. ⁵ They found Adoni-bezek at Bezek and fought against him and defeated the Canaanites and the Perizzites. ⁶ Adoni-bezek fled, but they pursued him and caught him and cut off his thumbs and his big toes. ⁷ And Adoni-bezek said, "Seventy kings with their thumbs and their big toes cut off used to pick up scraps under my table. As I have done, so God has repaid me." And they brought him to Jerusalem, and he died there.

⁸ And the men of Judah fought against Jerusalem and captured it and struck it with the edge of the sword and set the city on fire. ⁹ And afterward the men of Judah went down to fight against the Canaanites who lived in the hill country, in the Negeb, and in the lowland. ¹⁰ And Judah went against the Canaanites who lived in Hebron (now the name of Hebron was formerly Kiriath-arba), and they defeated Sheshai and Ahiman and Talmai.

SERMON	From Conquest to Compromise	Rev. David Rea	
HYMN OF RESPONSE*			

In Christ Alone

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In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song; This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace,

when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!

My comforter, my all in all — here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save. Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied; For ev'ry sin on Him was laid — here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again! And as He stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death — this is the pow'r of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand; Till He returns or calls me home — here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

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 **Power of the Cross**

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O to see the dawn of the darkest day; Christ on the road to Calvary. Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten, then nailed to a cross of wood. This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us. Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

Oh, to see the pain written on Your face, bearing the awesome weight of sin. Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow. This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us. Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

Now the daylight flees; now the ground beneath quakes as its Maker bows His Head. Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life, "Finished!" the victory cry. This, the pow'r of the cross: Christ became sin for us. Took the blame, bore the wrath; we stand forgiven at the cross.

O to see my name written in the wounds for through Your suffering I am free. Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love! This, the pow'r of the cross: Son of God—slain for us. What a love! What a cost! We stand forgiven at the cross.

During the cup, Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

Rejoice, the Lord is King | No. 310 Stanzas 1, 2, and 5

Rejoice, the Lord is King: your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love, When He had purged our stains, He took his seat above. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall come, And take his servants up to their eternal home. Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

BENEDICTION*

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

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Judges 1.27-30

²⁷ Manasseh did not drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shean and its villages, or Taanach and its villages, or the inhabitants of Dor and its villages, or the inhabitants of Ibleam and its villages, or the inhabitants of Megiddo and its villages, for the Canaanites persisted in dwelling in that land. ²⁸ When Israel grew strong, they put the Canaanites to forced labor, but did not drive them out completely.

²⁹ And Ephraim did not drive out the Canaanites who lived in Gezer, so the Canaanites lived in Gezer among them.

³⁰ Zebulun did not drive out the inhabitants of Kitron, or the inhabitants of Nahalol, so the Canaanites lived among them, but became subject to forced labor.

Sunday School Classes Resume!

Sunday school classes for all ages have begun! We hope you will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to study and apply God's Word, enjoy fellowship, and grow in our relationships with one another during this time.

Adult classes:

Generations - a class open to adults of all ages and stages, taught by Robby Rucker in the sanctuary.

30s and 40s - a class intended to foster fellowship and build community at this frenzied stage of life, taught by David Rea in room #136.

Young Adults - a class intended to build community while addressing the unique challenges and opportunities of faith in the 20s and 30s, taught by Chris Bennett in room #135.

<u>Youth classes</u>: Our high school and middle school students will meet in the youth wing in their respective rooms.

<u>Children's classes</u>: A full slate of children's classes for infants, preschoolers and elementary-aged children will be offered in the children's wing.

Women's Bible Studies

<u>Women's Bible Studies - Job: A Story of Severe Mercy</u> Offered Wednesday mornings, 9:30 - 11 a.m. (with childcare) AND Wednesday evenings, 7 - 8 p.m. Beginning on September 6 at PPC Led by Alyson Averitt (alyson.averitt@providencedallas.com)

Men's Bible Studies

<u>Young Adults Men's Study - "Respectable Sins" by Jerry Bridges</u> Wednesdays from 7 to 8:15 p.m. at PPC beginning on September 6 Led by Chris Bennett (chris.bennett@providencedallas.com)

<u>James</u>

Wednesdays from 12 to 1 p.m. at PPC beginning on September 13 *Lunch provided Led by Nate Libby (nate.libby@providencedallas.com)

<u>Jeremiah</u> Fridays at 7 a.m. at PPC beginning on September 15 Led by Bobby Cardone (robertjcardone@gmail.com), Teddy Chu, Christopher Norfleet

Youth Bible Studies

<u>Providence Youth Group: 7-8:30 p.m. at PPC</u> High school youth group meets on Sundays starting on September 10. Middle school youth group meets on Mondays starting on September 11. Led by Nate Libby (nate.libby@providencedallas.com)

PPC Women's Coffee Fellowship

The ladies of PPC WOW (Women of Wisdom) would like to invite all PPC women to a come-and-go coffee fellowship on Saturday, September 16, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. It will be at the home of Beth Jendricks, 3632 Purdue. Come as you are and meet a new friend in a different stage of life. We hope to see you there!

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!

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