

# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Order of Worship*

FEBRUARY 18, 2024

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*from 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 Praise to God, Who Reigns Above | No. 4***

MIT FREUDEN ZART

*Stanzas 1, 2, and 5 (alt)*

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!

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

*adapted from The Westminster Confession of Faith 15.2, 11.3, 5*

Minister: What motivates us to repent and seek God's mercy through Christ?

**All:** By faith, we sinners, recognizing and feeling not only the danger, but also the filthiness and odiousness of our sins, turn from them all to God. In this we find comfort in the promise of God's mercy through Christ to those who repent. Moved by this assurance, we deeply grieve and detest our sins, resolving to follow God's commands in every aspect of our lives. Christ, by His obedience and death, has fully satisfied the justice of God for all who are justified, forgiving their debt entirely.

## SONG OF PRAISE

### *Jesus is Lord*

*Getty, Townend*

"Jesus is Lord!"—the cry that echoes through creation:  
Resplendent pow'r, eternal Word, our rock.  
The Son of God, the King whose glory fills the heavens,  
Yet bids us come to taste this living bread.

Jesus is Lord—Whose voice sustains the stars and planets,  
Yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown.  
Jesus the Man, who washed our feet, who bore our suffering,  
Became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

"Jesus is Lord!"—a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,  
As He returns, and ev'ry knee bows low.  
Then ev'ry eye and ev'ry heart will see His glory,  
The Judge of all will take His children home.

## PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**All:** Heavenly Father, You have brought us into Your kingdom, but we run from You daily and worship other gods. Our affections for our careers, titles, physical appearances, achievements, material possessions, families, and friends often surpass our love for You. Forgive us, we pray! We are grateful, Father, for the gentle yoke and light burden that Jesus has provided for us. He has borne poverty, disgrace, and the death of a criminal for us. Free us from the chains of our persistent sins by continually reminding us of Your profound love for us through Jesus. Guide us to reject the deceptive sense of security, comfort, and pleasure that our sins promise, enabling us to commit ourselves fully to You, in whom we find true joy, satisfaction, and rest. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

## PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free from the law of sin and death.

## 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\*

### **Luke 7.36-50**

<sup>36</sup> When one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. <sup>37</sup> A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. <sup>38</sup> As she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.

<sup>39</sup> When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, "If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is -- that she is a sinner."

<sup>40</sup> Jesus answered him, "Simon, I have something to tell you."

"Tell me, teacher," he said.

<sup>41</sup> "Two people owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup> Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he forgave the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?"

<sup>43</sup> Simon replied, "I suppose the one who had the bigger debt forgiven."

"You have judged correctly," Jesus said.

<sup>44</sup> Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. <sup>47</sup> Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven -- as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little."

<sup>48</sup> Then Jesus said to her, "Your sins are forgiven."

<sup>49</sup> The other guests began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?"

<sup>50</sup> Jesus said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you; go in peace." (NIV)

HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

*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.

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*

### **My Worth Is Not in What I Own**

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*(Please see page 7 for music.)*

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone.  
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame.  
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.

*Chorus:*

*I rejoice in my Redeemer, greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul.  
I will trust in Him, no other. My soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

As summer flowers we fade and die. Fame, youth and beauty hurry by,  
But life eternal calls to us at the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might, or human wisdom's fleeting light,  
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross.

*Chorus*

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness,  
My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross.

*Chorus*

*During the cup*

*Instrumental*

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN\*

*Who Shall Ascend the Mountain of the Lord* | No. 292

ENGELBERG

*Stanzas 1, 2, and 5*

Who shall ascend the mountain of the Lord,  
To search the mystery in heaven stored,  
The knowledge of the Holy One adored? Alleluia!

One King alone, whose hands and heart are pure,  
One Servant of the Lord with purpose sure,  
Can enter in that glory to endure. Alleluia!

He shall ascend the mountain of the Lord,  
The King of glory, whose own blood outpoured  
Paid that dear price that mercy did afford. Alleluia!

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.