

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

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CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 72

Minister: For he delivers the needy when they cry out, the afflicted who have no one to help. He has compassion on the weak and the poor, and he saves the lives of the needy. He redeems them from oppression and violence, for their blood is precious in his sight.

All: Long may he live! May his name endure forever; may it shine as long as the sun. Praise be to the Lord God, the God of Israel, who alone does marvelous deeds. Praise be to his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory. Amen!

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

from Hebrews 11

Minister: Christian, what is faith?

All: Now faith is confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see. By faith, Abraham obeyed when he was called to go to a place he would later receive as his inheritance. He went, not knowing where he was going. By faith, he lived as a stranger in the promised land, looking forward to the city with foundations, whose architect and builder is God. Those who live by faith declare that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they could have returned. But they long for a better country—a heavenly one. Therefore, God is not ashamed to be called their God, for he has prepared a city for them.

SONG OF PRAISE

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

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

All: Dear Lord, we have other gods before us, allowing things like work, relationships, and possessions to take Your place in our hearts.
We desire many images more than You, seeking satisfaction in idols that cannot fulfill us.
We do not worship Your name as we ought to, failing to give You the reverence and honor You deserve.
We do not honor the Lord's Day, neglecting to rest in the finished work of Christ.
We do not honor our father and our mother, rejecting the authority and guidance You've placed in our lives.
We have murder on our tongues and in our hearts, harboring anger and hatred, failing to value life as You do.
We are not faithful, breaking our commitments and betraying trust.
We take what is not ours, stealing, cheating, and coveting what belongs to others.
We do not always tell the truth, deceiving, exaggerating, and withholding the truth.
We sinfully want what other people have, envying others and failing to be content with what You have given us.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Ephesians 2:8-9

Hear the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast.

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.

OFFERINGS

Online giving is available at any time at providencedallas.givingfire.com or using the QR code on the back of the bulletin. You may also place offerings in the white boxes on the lobby tables before or after the service.

SCRIPTURE READING*

Romans 1.1-17

¹ Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, ² which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, ³ concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh ⁴ and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, ⁵ through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, ⁶ including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ,

⁷ To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁸ First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world. ⁹ For God is my witness, whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I mention you ¹⁰ always in my prayers, asking that somehow by God's will I may now at last succeed in coming to you. ¹¹ For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you—¹² that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine. ¹³ I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles. ¹⁴ I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. ¹⁵ So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

SERMON

Not Ashamed

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

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

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

ST. COLUMBA

The King of love my Shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never.
I nothing lack if I am his
And he is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow
My ransomed soul he leadeth,
And where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With thee, dear Lord, beside me.
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house forever.

During the cup
Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

***Doxology* | No. 733**

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below:
Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia!

BENEDICTION*

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