

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 27

Minister: One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek him in his temple.

All: For in the day of trouble he will keep me safe in his dwelling; he will hide me in the shelter of his tabernacle and set me high upon a rock. Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; be merciful to me and answer me. My heart says of you, "Seek his face!" Your face, Lord, I will seek.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

HYMN*

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name | No. 296

CORONATION

Stanzas 1, 3, and 6

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall,
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all.
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Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.
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CONFESSION OF FAITH

from The Nicene Creed

Minister: Christian, in whom is our salvation found, and what do the Scriptures proclaim about Him?

All: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made. Who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made a true man. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and on the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures.

SONG OF PRAISE

Christ Is Mine Forevermore

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Mine are days that God has numbered,
I was made to walk with Him.
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings.
But mine is hope in my Redeemer,
Though I fall, His love is sure.
For Christ has paid for every failing.
I am His forevermore.

Mine are tears in times of sorrow,
Darkness not yet understood.
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good.
But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need.
I know my pain will not be wasted.
Christ completes his work in me.

Mine are days here as a stranger,
Pilgrim on a narrow way.
One with Christ I will encounter,
Harm and hatred for His name.
But mine is armour for this battle,
Strong enough to last the war.
And He has said He will deliver
Safely to the golden shore.

SONG OF PRAISE (CONT.)

And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk,
For there my heart has found its treasure.
Christ is mine forevermore.

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

All: We have all gone astray like sheep, each of us turning to our own way. Our hearts are unclean, and even our best deeds are like filthy rags. Just as the wind blows away the leaves, our sins cause us to be carried away, far from You. We confess that we are sinners, and all too often, the truth is not in us. Yet, when we confess our sins, You are faithful and just to forgive us and purify us from all unrighteousness. In Jesus Christ, we have redemption, and through Him, we are granted the forgiveness of sins. In His name, we pray. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Romans 5:1

Hear the promises of God to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

SCRIPTURE READING*

Ephesians 6.10-20

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴ Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵ and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷ and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God, ¹⁸ praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, ¹⁹ and also for me, that words may be given to me in opening my mouth boldly to proclaim the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains, that I may declare it boldly, as I ought to speak.

SERMON

Equipped to Stand

Rev. Nate Libby

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

Jesus, Strong and Kind

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Jesus said that if I thirst, I should come to Him.
No one else can satisfy, I should come to Him.

Jesus said, if I am weak, I should come to Him.
No one else can be my strength, I should come to Him.

*Chorus: For the Lord is good and faithful,
He will keep us day and night.
We can always run to Jesus - Jesus, strong and kind.*

Jesus said that if I fear, I should come to Him.
No one else can be my shield, I should come to Him.

Chorus

Jesus said, if I am lost, He will come to me.
And He showed me on that cross, He will come to me.

Chorus

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

Be Thou My Vision | No. 642

SLANE

Stanzas 1, 2, 4, and 5

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art-
Thou my best thought by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word,
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord.
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son.
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

During the cup
Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

***For All the Saints* | No. 358**

SINE NOMINE

Stanzas 1, 2, 4 and 5

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;
Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true light. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west;
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest;
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day;
The saints triumphant rise in bright array;
The King of glory passes on his way. 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.