

# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Order of Worship*

OCTOBER 26, 2025

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP\*

*from Psalm 100.1-5*

Minister: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the Lord, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

**All: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name! For the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION\*

HYMN\*

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | No. 53*

LOBE DEN HERREN

*Stanzas 1, 3, and 5*

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise Him for He is thy health and salvation!  
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near,  
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee,  
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore Him!  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!  
Let the Amen sound from His people again,  
Gladly forever adore Him.

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

*from the Apostles' Creed; Westminster Confession of Faith 32–33*

Minister: Christian, what is your hope for the life to come?

**All:** We believe that our Redeemer lives, and that after death our bodies will be raised, glorified, and made like His glorious body. God will dwell with His people forever, wiping away every tear, and we will live in His presence in everlasting joy.

## SONG OF PRAISE

### *The Perfect Wisdom of Our God*

*Getty, Townsend*

The perfect wisdom of our God, revealed in all the universe:  
All things created by His hand and held together at His command.  
He knows the mysteries of the seas, the secrets of the stars are His,  
He guides the planets on their way and turns the earth through another day.

The matchless wisdom of His ways, that mark the path of righteousness,  
His word a lamp unto my feet, His Spirit teaching and guiding me.  
And oh, the mystery of the cross, that God should suffer for the lost  
So that the fool might shame the wise, and all the glory might go to Christ!

Oh grant me wisdom from above, to pray for peace and cling to love,  
And teach me humbly to receive the sun and rain of Your sovereignty.  
Each strand of sorrow has a place within this tapestry of grace,  
So through the trials I choose to say: “Your perfect will in your perfect way.”

## PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**All:** O Lord, You have brought me to a place of deep need, where I see both my sin and Your greatness more clearly. Teach me that the way down is the way up, that brokenness leads to healing, and that true joy is found in repentance. Show me that to have nothing is to possess everything, that to bear the cross is to wear the crown, and that surrender leads to victory. Let me see that the valley is where Your grace shines brightest, where weakness becomes strength, and sorrow gives way to joy. When I am weak, remind me that in You I am strong; when I am empty, remind me that in You I am full; and when I die to myself, remind me that in You I truly live. Keep my eyes fixed on Christ, that I may walk in humility, trust in Your wisdom, and rest in Your unfailing love. 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.*

## OFFERINGS

*Online giving is available at any time at [providencedallas.givingfire.com](http://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\*

### **Philippians 2.1-11**

<sup>1</sup> So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, <sup>2</sup> complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. <sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## SERMON

### **Downward Glory**

*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 in All His Beauty***

*Papa, Boswell*

O lift your eyes to heaven, see the Holy One eternal.  
Behold the Lord of majesty, exalted in His temple.  
As symphonies of angels' praise now strain to sound His glory.  
Come worship, fall before His grace, the King in all His beauty.

*Refrain: How worthy, how worthy,  
How worthy, the King in all His beauty.*

Now see the King who wears a crown, one made of shame and splinters.  
The sacrifice for ruined man, the substitute for sinners.  
As earth is stained with royal blood, and quakes with love and fury.  
He breathes His last and bows His head, the King in all His beauty.

*Refrain*

Now see the Savior lifted up, the Lamb who reigns in splendor.  
The hope of every tribe and tongue, His kingdom is forever.  
Bring praise and honor to His courts. Bring wisdom, power, blessing.  
For endless ages we'll adore the King in all His beauty.

*Refrain*

*Repeat Refrain*

*During the cup*  
*Instrumental*

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

## CLOSING HYMN\*

### *I Will Glory in My Redeemer*

Cooke

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.

**BENEDICTION\***

*Numbers 6:24-26*

Minister: The LORD bless you and keep you; The LORD make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; The LORD lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.