

# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

*Order of Worship*

OCTOBER 4, 2026

## WELCOME

## PRELUDE

## CALL TO WORSHIP\*

Minister: You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you, in a dry and parched land where there is no water. I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

All: Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you. I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands. I will be fully satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.

## PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION\*

## HYMN\*

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee*

ODE TO JOY

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
Hearts unfold like flowers before Thee, opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heaven reflect Thy rays,  
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
Singing bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus, which the morning stars began;  
Father love is reigning o'er us, brother love binds man to man.  
Ever singing, march we onward, victors in the midst of strife,  
Joyful music leads us Sunward in the triumph song of life.

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

*adapted from 1 Peter 2:9–10*

Minister: Christian, who are we, and to whom do we belong?

**All:** We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for His own possession, that we may proclaim the excellencies of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Once we were not a people, but now through Christ we are God's people; once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy. This is our confession: we belong, wholly and gladly, to the God who called us His own.

## SONG OF PRAISE

*Father, Father of All Things | No. 106*

FATHER OF ALL THINGS

*Stanzas 1-3*

Father, Father of all things, we bless you.  
Father, we love and adore you. O Father, your children praise you.  
Father, Father of light and power,  
Father, your greatness surrounds the earth  
And all of your children declare you are Lord.

Jesus, only Son of the living God,  
Jesus you willingly suffered that thro' you we might know his love.  
Jesus, cleanse us, your people, and fill us.  
Pour down your Spirit upon us  
That we as your body may show forth your love.

Spirit, sent by the Son to dwell in us,  
Living and working within us to make us more like Jesus;  
Spirit, fall down upon us as fire.  
Fill and equip us with power  
And draw from us love and praise to the Lord.

## PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

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

**All:** Heavenly Father, You have called us Your own people and shown us great mercy through Christ, yet we often live as though we still belonged to darkness. We frequently seek satisfaction in what cannot truly satisfy. We have repeatedly forgotten who we are and wandered from the God who called us His own. Forgive us, merciful God. Remind us of to You. 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.

## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

*Amelia Jeane Miller*

## 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\*

**Exodus 20.1-6**

<sup>1</sup> And God spoke all these words, saying,

<sup>2</sup> "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

<sup>3</sup> "You shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup> "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup> You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup> but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

HYMN OF RESPONSE\*

*O Church, Arise*

Getty, Townend

O church, arise, and put your armor on,  
Hear the call of Christ our Captain.  
For now the weak can say that they are strong  
In the strength that God has given.  
With shield of faith and belt of truth,  
We'll stand against the devil's lies,  
An army bold, whose battle cry is love,  
Reaching out to those in darkness.

Our call to war, to love the captive soul,  
But to rage against the captor,  
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole,  
We will fight with faith and valor.  
When faced with trials on ev'ry side,  
We know the outcome is secure,  
And Christ will have the prize for which He died,  
An inheritance of nations.

So Spirit come, put strength in ev'ry stride,  
Give grace for ev'ry hurdle,  
That we may run with faith to win the prize  
Of a servant good and faithful.  
As saints of old still line the way,  
Retelling triumphs of His grace,  
We hear their calls, and hunger for the day  
When with Christ we stand in Glory.

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*

### **Jesus Is Mine**

*M. Merker and J. Kauflin*

Fade, fade, each earthly joy, Jesus is mine.  
Stronger than fleeting hopes, Jesus is mine.  
Dark is the wilderness, earth has no resting place.  
Jesus alone can bless, Jesus is mine.

In days of fragile peace, Jesus is mine.  
Through tearful nights of grief, Jesus is mine.  
His voice commands the storm, his presence stills my soul.  
He will sustain my hope, Jesus is mine.

*Refrain: Jesus is mine, Jesus is mine,  
When all else fails, He still remains, Jesus is mine.*

When on that final day, Jesus is mine,  
Before his radiant face, Jesus is mine.  
Safe in his arms I'll cling, praising my Savior King,  
Forevermore I'll sing: "Jesus is mine."

*Refrain*

*During the cup  
Instrumental*

## CLOSING HYMN\*

### *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

*Townend*

How deep the Father's love for us,  
How vast beyond all measure,  
That He should give His only Son  
To make a wretch His treasure.  
How great the pain of searing loss,  
The Father turns His face away,  
As wounds which mar the chosen One,  
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the Man upon a cross,  
My sin upon His shoulders,  
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice,  
Call out among the scoffers.  
It was my sin that held Him there  
Until it was accomplished,  
His dying breath has brought me life;  
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,  
No gifts, no power, no wisdom,  
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,  
His death and resurrection.  
Why should I gain from His reward?  
I cannot give an answer,  
But this I know with all my heart,  
His wounds have paid my ransom.

## 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.