

March 29, 2020



PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

A Caring Christian Fellowship Reaching Out in Response to God's Love

The Diaspora Gather in God's Name

*Welcome.
We are glad
you have chosen
to gather and
worship!*

Centering Prayer

God of life, present and promised, you are the One to whom we call: for you are the One who hears, and you are the One who acts, and you are the one who brings us new life with all of your grace and love and power.

Lead us in our time of worship even as we are separated by space and time, that we may be prepared to follow your lead in places where life is at risk— places where hope seems far away, places where dreams die during sleep.

When we leave this time of worship and return to our daily lives, help us live the teachings we proclaim, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Call to Worship

Coming from places that have seen better days, God bids us to celebrate this day, a day full of new possibilities.

Coming with our breath taken away by grief, the Holy Spirit breathes new life within us, renewing our connection with God and one another.

Coming to worship seeking a hope that will endure, Christ unbinds the fetters that hold us in death, speaking in word and sacrament, and building community for holy union.

The Affirmation of Faith helps us express the faith and hope we have as people of God.

Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Gloria Patri

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.*

Prayer of Confession

We confess our sins as the people of God together, out loud, and to others because of the incredible power there is in putting our failures and faults in the light of God's love.

Forgive us, O God, when we see the world through rose-colored glasses rather than as it really is, much less the way you seek it to be.

Forgive us, Holy One, when we forsake lively and risky faith calling us to be agents of change in our world for the bland conviction that all will be well.

Renew us with your grace and ground us with your Spirit, that we might be empowered to live, in word and deed, as testimonies to the power of your love over the grave. In Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

See video "Time with Young Disciples," for a special message from Pastor Jeff to our children.

Time with Young Disciples

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading

John 11:1-45

Meditation

"Set Him Free"

See video for Pastor Jeff's weekly message

We Give Thanks to God

Pastoral Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

A time to offer prayer for others and ourselves to God.

Have a blessed week!

We Go in Christ's Name to Serve