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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!
Go to
www.provpres.org
to join us for a live
broadcast starting
at 11:00 am.

Welcome

Tolling of the Bell - Rung three times to symbolize our Triune God

Call to Worship

Sometimes good things are right in front of us and we don't see them.

Our fears and our prejudices blind us.

Open your eyes this day to see the goodness of the Lord.

Open our hearts, gracious God, to receive your blessings.

Bring your praises and your songs to the table of the Lord.

May our hearts and spirits rejoice in this day. AMEN

Opening Song

"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Linda Baker, soprano

*Open my eyes, that I may see glimpses of truth thou has for me.
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

*Open my ears, that I may hear voices of truth thou sendest clear.
And while the wave notes fall on my ear, everything false will disappear.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my ears, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

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

*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.*

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

*Open my mouth and let me bear gladly the warm truth everywhere.
Open my heart, and let me prepare love with thy children thus to share.
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my heart, illumine me, Spirit divine!*

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.

Prayer of Confession

Sometimes our hearts ache within us, Lord. Like those travelers on the Emmaus road, we feel the deep sadness about losing Jesus. Our sadness finds its root in many things and we feel as though we can't escape it. It becomes part of our conversations. Deep within, our spirits long for release and we silently cry. Forgive us when we close our eyes to your presence. Heal our brokenness. Bind our wounds. Place us on the path of healing and help us be people who bring compassionate caring to others, for we ask these things in Jesus' name. AMEN

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Time with Young Disciples

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading

Luke 24:13-35

Sermon

"Second Sight"

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.**

We Go in Christ's Name to Serve

Benediction

Closing Music

"How Can I Keep From Singing"

*My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation.
I hear the real, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?*

*What though the tempest round me rears, I know the truth it liveth.
What though the darkness round me close, songs in the night it giveth.
No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
Since love is lord of heaven and earth, how can I keep from singing?*

*When tyrants tumble, sick with fear and hear their death knells ringing;
When friends rejoice, both far and near, how can I keep from singing?
In prison cell and dungeon vile, our thoughts to them are winging.
When friends by shame are undefiled, how can I keep from singing?*

*No storm can shake my inmost calm while to that rock I'm clinging.
It sounds an echo in my soul. How can I keep from singing?*

To enjoy our
Sunday music
selection, please go
to our Worship
webpage and click
on the links to listen.

Have a blessed week!

Online instruction for Worship

1. Go to provpres.org/worship
2. The top green buttons are the bulletin, sermon notes, and bulletin for the kids.
3. Scroll down until you see all the music selections: two organ pieces by John and "Because You Live, O Christ," a YouTube selection. [These are the music selections from last Sunday. The ones for next Sunday will go up soon.]