

# 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 time to symbolize our Triune God

### **Call to Worship**

Welcome to worship today!

We're glad to be together.

Even when things get hectic, always know that you will find welcome here.

We're grateful for the hospitality and friendship that are offered here.

Come, let us worship the God who always welcomes us.

Let us open our hearts to Christ who welcomed friend and stranger alike. Amen.

#### **Opening Song**

"Make Me a Channel of Your Peace" (Gary Reese)

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me bring your love. Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord, And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope. Where there is darkness, only light, And where there's sadness, ever joy. O, Master, grant that I may never seek So much to be consoled as to console, To be understood as to understand, To be loved as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, In giving of ourselves that we receive, And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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.

### **Prayer of Confession**

Patient Lord, we want to extend the hand of welcome and friendship to all we meet, but you know that sometimes we shy away from reaching out. We make judgments about others based on their appearance and other surface factors. We neglect your mandate to be a welcoming presence. That lack of welcome extends further when we see needs that must be addressed and choose to turn our backs. When we turn away from the pain and suffering of those around us, protecting our own lives. Yet you remind us that as we welcome others, we also welcome you. So heal us once again and give us the strength and courage to always be welcoming others in your name.

**Silent Prayer of Confession** 

**Words of Assurance** 

**Time with Young Disciples** 

We Hear God's Word

**Scripture Reading** 

Matthew 10:40-42

Sermon

"Hospitality - the Heart of Discipleship"

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.

## We Give Thanks to God

A time to offer prayer for others and ourselves 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**

**Benediction Response** 

"May The Lord"

John S. Dixon

(sung by members of the Chancel Choir; video produced by Robie Armbruster)

Today's closing music has been pre-recorded and may be found on the church's website.

please see online instruction below

### **Closing Music**

### 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 pre-recorded Music from our Sanctuary.

Have a blessed week!