

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

The Diaspora Gather in God's Name

Prelude

"He Leadeth Me, O Blessed Thought"

arr. Mark Hayes

Welcome. We are glad you have chosen to gather and worship! Go to <u>www.provpres.org</u> to join us for a live broadcast starting at 11:00 am.

He leadeth me, O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught. Whate'er I do, where'er I be, still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me. He leadeth me, He leadeth me; by His own hand He leadeth me. His faithful follower I would be, for by His hand He leadeth me.

Welcome

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

Call to Worship

Good Morning! Welcome to a celebration of God's love for us!

We want to see that love in action; what we see going on around us weighs us down.

You've come to the right place at the right time. This is a place and now is the time where all of us can feel God's presence and share our deepest concerns with God. We're glad to hear that, for we wrestle with our faith far too often.

Fear not! God is with us always, loving and transforming our lives.

Lord of mercy and compassion, be in our hearts this day.

Help us to reach out with love to others. Amen.

Opening Song

"Let Us Break Bread Together" (Robin Birdwell) African American Spiritual

Let us break bread together on our knees. Let us break bread together on our knees. When I fall on my knees, with my face to the rising sun O Lord, have mercy on me.

Let us drink wine together. . .

Let us praise God together. . .

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

Lord of mercy and hope, we come before you with fear. We know that we have fallen short of being the kind of disciples that you have called us to be. We have turned our backs on people in need; we have closed our ears to the cries of the voiceless. And so we hesitate to come before you because we believe that you are disappointed in us. Remind us again that you are merciful and that your love transforms and changes lives. When we falter and slide off the path of hope you place before us, pick us up and dust us off and put us again on that path, confident of your faithful presence with us. Forgive our weakness. Strengthen us and give us courage; help us to be bearers of your good news of peace. We pray this in Christ's name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Time with Young Disciples



Scripture Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon

"Finger Food"

Sacrament of Communion

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.	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
Today's music has been pre-recorded	Benediction Response"May The Lord"John S. Dixon(sung by members of the Chancel Choir; video produced by Robie Armbruster)
and may be found on the church's website.	Postlude"O God Beyond All Praising"arr. Charles Callahan
Please see online instruction below	
	Online instruction for Worship
	 Go to <u>provpres.org/worship</u> The top green buttons are the bulletin, sermon notes, and bulletin for the kids. Scroll down until you see pre-recorded Music from our Sanctuary.
Have a blessed week!	