

### PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

# The Church Gathers in God's Name

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

**Words of Welcome** 

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

Introit Praise, Praise, Praise the Lord Cameroon processional song

Praise, praise, praise the Lord, praise his holy name! Alleluia!

**Prelude** Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah arr. Linda Lamb

(Handbell Trio: Sue Crosland, Debi Boettiger, Elizabeth Ita)

Call to Worship

We gather today to worship the One who created us,

The One who calls us,

The One who equips us,

The One who loves us without end.

With joyful hearts, let us worship God.

**Opening Hymn 14** For the Beauty of the Earth

F. S. Pierpoint, 1864 C. Kocker, 1838 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. Amen.

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.

#### **Prayer of Confession**

Gracious and loving God, open our hearts so that we are able to admit to you the fullness of our lives – that which is beautiful and good, and that which is hurtful and hateful.

We confess that we do not follow Jesus in all that we do.

We love with condition.

We judge and condemn.

We cast the first stone, and keep the logs in our own eyes.

We do not turn to You as the source of our healing.

Forgive us, we pray. Forgive our sin, and empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. Amen.

**Silent Prayer of Confession** 

**Words of Assurance** 

**Anthem** *My God Is an Awesome God* Keith Hampton

**Time with Young Disciples** 

# We Hear God's Word

**Scripture Reading.** Deuteronomy 31:1-8; 2 Timothy 1:3-14

**Sermon** Walking by Faith (Rev. Martha Mitchell)

# 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

**Closing Hymn 761** 

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

Jane P. Huber, 1981 John Zundel, 1870

**Benediction** 

**Postlude** 

**Benediction Response** 

May the Lord

May the Lord, mighty God, Bless and keep you forever Grant you peace, perfect peace, Courage in every endeavor. Lift up your eyes and see His face and His grace forever. May the Lord, mighty God, Bless and keep you forever.

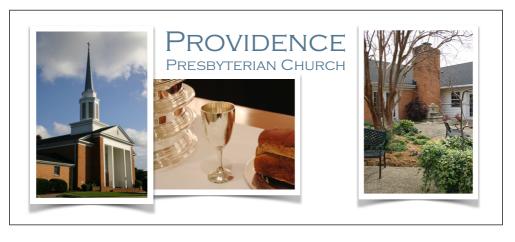
In memory of those who died on 9/11/2001 Requiem Aeternam

John S. Dixon

Have a blessed week!

Guest Pastor, Rev. Martha Mitchell Today's Liturgist, Ashley Schroeder Director of Music, Valetta Fellenbaum Organist, John Dixon Administrative Assistant, Kristen Ferragut

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