

August 20, 2023



PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We 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 10:00 am.

Prelude

I Need Thee Every Hour

Robert Lowry, 1872

Words of Welcome

(please sign friendship pads and pass to your neighbor)

Opening Prayer

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

Introit

Listen, God Is Calling

folk hymn from Kenya

*Listen, listen, God is calling, through the Word inviting,
offering forgiveness, comfort and joy.*

Call to Worship

are God's people, gathered from many places.

We come to give thanks and to proclaim God's steadfast love.

God's gift of love has no end.

We receive this gift with open hearts and o We pen hands.

We are ready to worship and to serve.

We come to sing our praises and unite our hearts in prayer.

Let us joyfully worship God.

Hymn 610

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*Charles Wesley, 1719
Carl Glaser, 1828*

*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, we are a people who are always concerned about ourselves. We worry about what is ours and are concerned with getting more. We worry about our own comforts and turn our backs to the cries of others. We protect our own interests while staying silent when we could speak out. We default to our own selfish endeavors instead of sharing what we have. We have not always been guided by your Spirit or the teachings of Christ. Forgive us, we pray, and gently guide us back to your way. Help us to think of others and find joy in sharing what we have with the world.

Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

Matthew 15: 21-28

Anthem

I Sing the Mighty Power of God

arr. Donald McCullough

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

Genesis 45:1-15

Sermon

The Truth Comes Out

We Respond in Thanks

Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 754

Help Us Accept Each Other

Fred Karan, 1974
Doreen Potter, 1974

Benediction

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.*

Postlude

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

arr. Paul Manz

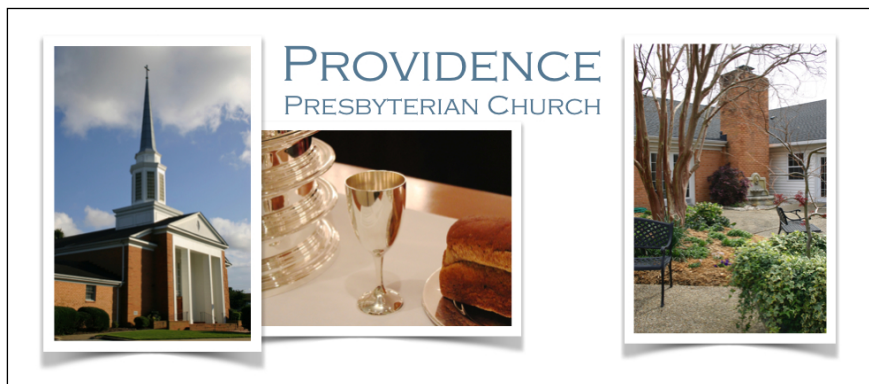
Have a blessed week!

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Ruling Elders

Class of 2024	Class of 2025	Class of 2026
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Sue Crosland	Kevin Daley	Connie Salter - Christian Life Chair
Tom McMahan - Administration Chair	Dale Passarella - Property Chair	Ashley Schroeder
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