

October 1, 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 11:00 am.

Prelude

Voluntary

John Zundel

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

Each Christian Has a Calling

David Gambrell, 2020

Call to Worship

Today we gather around God's table from east and west, near and far.

We gather as the people of God.

Though we differ in language, custom, and tradition,

We are united as brothers and sisters in Christ.

For there is one Lord, one faith, and one baptism.

We are One in God's Spirit.

In ornate sanctuaries and rural villages,

Today the people of God share one loaf and one cup.

With believers around the world, let us worship and feast together.

Hymn 509

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

Sylvia Dunstan, 1990
William Moore, 1825

*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.

Prayer of Confession

*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.*

United in your love, O God, we are one body across the globe. Your church has many branches, yet we are one family whose roots run deep in the waters of grace. We are connected by the Word and by our desire to live as your followers. Still, O Lord, we do not always act like one body. We find ways to distance and separate ourselves with more than miles. Too often, we find ways to divide ourselves into endless groupings of “us” and “them.” Again and again, you call us to unity, leading us back to the waters of life, yet again and again we turn away. Forgive us, uniting God, and by your forgiveness, challenge us to unite as one body, sharing bread and cup, and showing your love to this world. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

Matthew 21:23-27

Anthem

One Bread, One Body

John Foley
arr. Mark Hayes

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

Exodus 20:1-4, 7-17

Sermon

The Nature of Relationships

We Respond in Thanks

Introduction to Rise Against Hunger

Rev. Sheila Russ

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

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.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer

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 372

O for a World

Miriam Winter, 1987
Carl Glaser, 1828

Benediction

Instructions for dismissal

Have a blessed week!

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 Today's Liturgist, Kevin Daley
 Director of Music, Valetta Fellenbaum
 Organist, John Dixon
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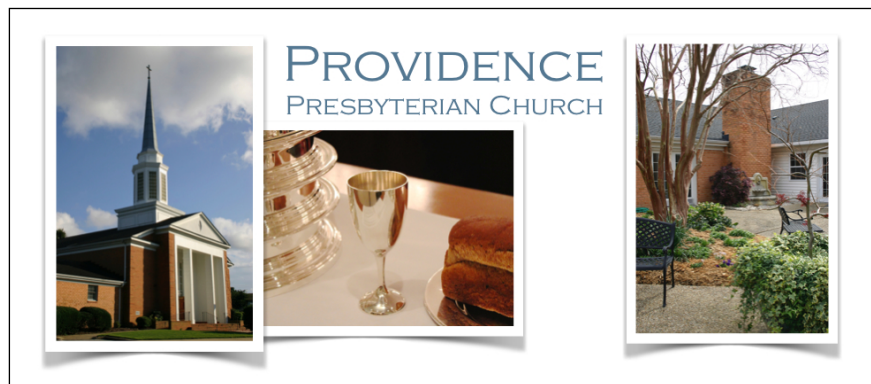
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