

October 29, 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

Largo

John Alcock

(a time to quietly prepare our hearts for worship)

Words of Welcome

(Please sign friendship pads and pass to your neighbor.)

Minute For Mission

Frances Stefonich

Opening Prayer

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

Introit

Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

W.H. Foulkes

*Take thou our minds, dear Lord, we humbly pray;
give us the mind of Christ each passing day;
teach us to know the truth that sets us free;
grant us in all our thoughts to honor thee.*

*Take thou our hearts, O Christ; they are thine own;
come thou within our souls and claim thy throne;
help us to shed abroad thy deathless love;
use us to make the earth like heaven above.*

Call to Worship

Leader: Happy are those who do not take the path that sinners tread.

People: Our delight is in the law of the Lord.

Leader: May we be like trees planted by streams of God's living water.

All: May our lives bear good fruit, loving God and loving neighbor.

Hymn 275

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Martin Luther, 1529

*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

Eternal God, your law commands us to love our neighbor as ourselves. Too often we prioritize our own interests above the health and welfare of others. We betray you and our best selves by living without regard for the ways our actions harm our neighbors in need and the planet entrusted to our care. Open our hearts to love. Open our minds to honestly acknowledge our role in wrongdoing. Forgive us and return us to your way of righteousness. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

Psalm 90:1-6,13-17

Solo

*It Is Well with My Soul
(Linda Baker, soprano)*

Spafford/Bliss

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

Matthew 22:34-46

Sermon

One Love, Three Parts
(Rev. Linda Rainey)

We Respond in Thanks

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.

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 738

O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

W. Gladden, 1879
H.P. Smith, 1874

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

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

arr. John S. Dixon

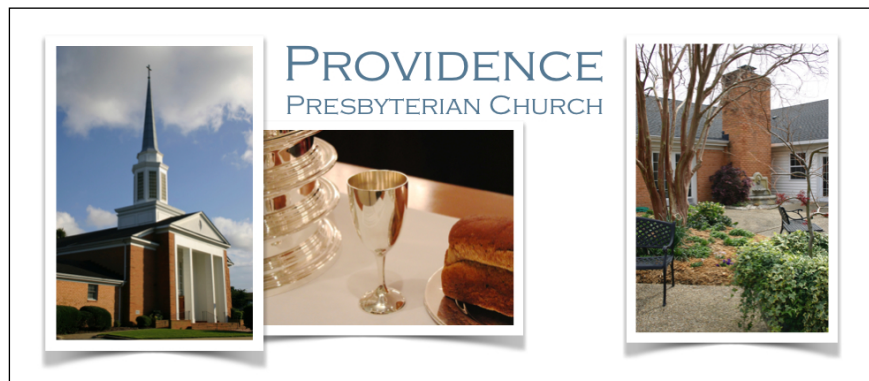
Have a blessed week!

Guest Pastor, Rev. Linda Rainey
 Today's Liturgist, Ashley Schroeder
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