

April 14, 2024



Providence Presbyterian Church

Rooted in Faith, Nurtured by Grace, Growing God's Kingdom

Gathering as the People of God

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

O God, Our Help in Ages Past
(Bells of Providence)

arr. John Leavitt

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

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

Introit

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Jacques Berthier, 1986

*In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God; do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.*

Call to Worship

For everything there is a time, a season.

Time for love. Time for hope.

Time for mercy. Time for faith.

Time for worship. Time for prayer.

Time for singing. Time for praise.

Time for action. Time for quiet.

Time for beginnings. Time for endings.

Time for hello. Time for goodbye.

For everything there is a time, a season.

We come, as now is Time to worship the Risen Lord.

Hymn 267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

text by C. H. Bateman, 1843
Spanish folk melody

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.

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.

Dedicated to Rev. Libby Rollins

Music for Contemplation

Trio on "O Waly Waly"

John S. Dixon

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

Genesis 8:14-9:1

Anthem

Rain Down

arr. John Carter

(Chancel Choir and Providence Kids, with Congregation joining in refrain as directed)

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

Deuteronomy 34:1-8

Sermon

The Finish Line

Responding as People of Faith

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

Sanctuary

John Thompson and Randy Scruggs

(Providence Youth)

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true;
with thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.*

Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Litany of Dissolution of Call

Opening Words

Congregational Litany

Let us pray for the saving presence of our living Lord.

In your world,
be present, Lord.

In this congregation, and in this community,
be present, Lord.

In this presbytery and the whole church,
be present, Lord.

In the homes and hearts of all your people,
be present, Lord.

Let us give thanks for our journey together in this place:

For friendships made, for joys celebrated and for times of nurture and growth,
thanks be to God.

For wounds healed, expectations met, gifts given and promises kept,
thanks be to God.

For space created for new ideas, and for wrestling with new possibilities,
thanks be to God.

For tasks completed, as well as work begun but left unfinished,
thanks be to God.

For our fellowship in Jesus Christ, and for the love of God which has sustained us,
thanks be to God.

Question to the Congregation

Do we, the members and friends of Providence Presbyterian Church, release Libby from service as our Interim Pastor?

Do we send her off to Florida with our blessing, knowing that God will use her gifts in new ways in a new place?

We do with thanks to God.

Question to Interim Pastor

Prayer

Declaration of Dissolution

Hymn 295

Go to the World!

text by Sylvia Dunstan, 1985
music by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

Benediction

Benediction Response

May the Lord
(Chancel Choir)

setting by John S. Dixon

*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

Hornpipe in D

John S. Dixon

*For Libby
Rollins, with
grateful thanks
from
Providence
Presbyterian
Church*

Have a blessed week!

Interim Pastor, Rev. Libby Rollins
 Today's Liturgist, Ken Wheeler
 Director of Music, Valetta Fellenbaum
 Organist, John Dixon
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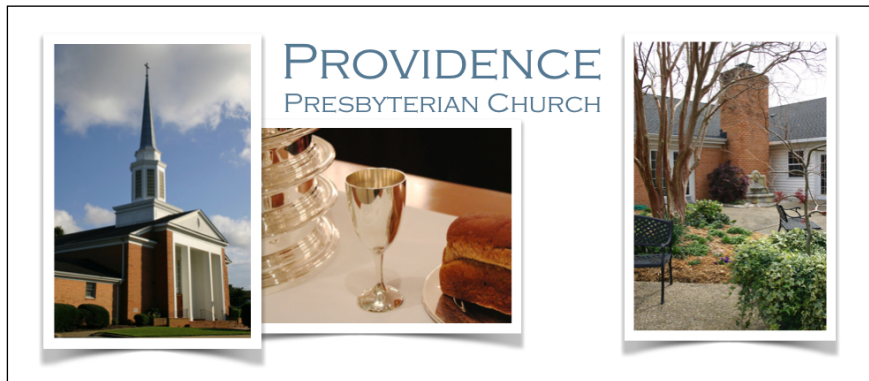
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