

October 4, 2020



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

## The Diaspora Gather in God's Name

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

### Prelude

*"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

text: Issac Watts, 1707  
music: Lowell Mason, 1824

*When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of glory died,  
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, save in the death of Christ my God;  
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.*

*See, from his head, his hands, his feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down;  
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine, that were a present far too small;  
Love so amazing, so divine, demands my soul, my life, my all.*

### Invocation

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

### Call to Worship

Come, the banquet of hope and praise is ready.

**We come seeking to be fed.**

Feed on the love of God in Jesus Christ

**We come needing to be healed.**

Be healed by God's gracious mercy

**We come longing for forgiveness.**

In Jesus' Name, you are loved, healed and forgiven.

**Praise be to God. Amen.**

## Opening Song

*“What Does the Lord Require of You?”* based on Micah 6:8  
text and music by Jim Strathdee

(members of the Chancel Choir; Justin Stanley, violin; Robie Armbruster, bass and production)

*What does the Lord require of you?  
Justice, kindness, walk humbly with your God.  
To seek justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with your God.*

*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.**

*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

**Confession is not easy or pleasant. We like to think that we've been good and faithful disciples. But we know the ways in which we have turned our backs on you and rejected your will. Like the people in the wilderness, we create idols and worship them, only to discover their shallowness and emptiness. And then we wonder what went wrong. Stop us in our tracks, Lord. Help us to be open to your will for our lives. Tell us again what you want us to do. Heal us from our wayward actions and attitudes. Help us reach out to others in compassion and peace. We ask these things in Jesus' name, as we offer these silent confessions...**

## Silent Prayer of Confession

## Words of Assurance

*(11 am only)*

## Time with Young Disciples

# We Hear God's Word

## Scripture Reading

Mathew 21:33-46

## Sermon

*“Trouble in the Vineyard”*

**Sacrament of Communion** *“Come to the Table of Grace”* text and music by Barbara Hamm  
(Robin Birdwell, soprano)

*Come to the table of grace. Come to the table of grace.  
This is God's table; it's not yours or mine. Come to the table of grace.*

*Come to the table of peace. . . .*

# 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

## Benediction

### Benediction Response

*"May The Lord"*

John S. Dixon

(sung by members of the Chancel Choir; video produced by Robie Armbruster)

### Postlude

*"Recessional in C"*

John S. Dixon

*Today's music  
has been  
pre-recorded  
and may be found  
on the church's  
website.*

*Please see online  
instruction below*

### Pre-recorded Music

*"Come to the Table of Grace"* text and music by Barbara Hamm  
(Robin Birdwell, soprano)

Interlude on *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"*

arr. by John S. Dixon

*"Recessional in C"*

John S. Dixon

### **Online instruction for Worship**

1. Go to [provpres.org/worship](http://provpres.org/worship)
2. The top green buttons are the bulletin, sermon notes, and bulletin for the kids.
3. Scroll down until you see pre-recorded Music from our Sanctuary.

*Have a blessed week!*