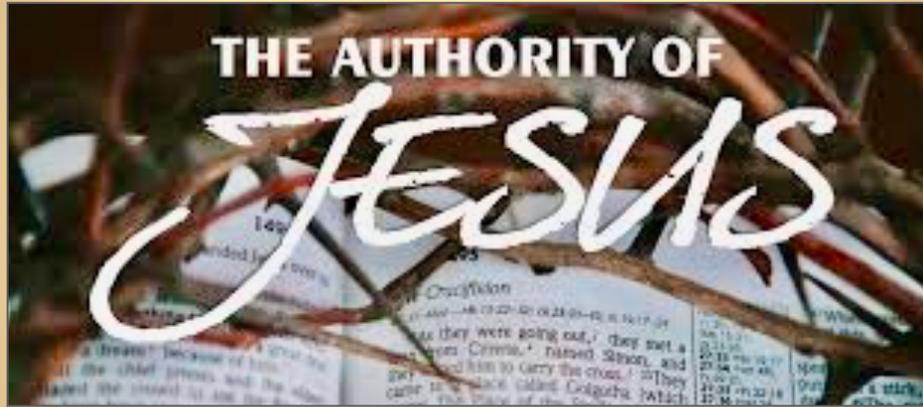


January 31, 2021



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
to join us for a live
broadcast starting
at 11:00 am.

Prelude

"I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me" African American Spiritual

*I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!
I'm gonna live so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!*

I'm gonna work so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna pray so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

I'm gonna sing so God can use me anywhere, Lord, anytime!

Invocation

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

Call To Worship

We come to worship this day with our joys and sorrows.

Jesus will offer hope.

We come to worship this day believing in the power of God through Jesus Christ.

Jesus will bring us healing.

Come to worship this day feeling the presence of God.

Jesus will teach us new ways to live. Amen.

Opening Song

"There Is a Balm in Gilead" African American Spiritual

(Robin Birdwell)

*[Refrain] There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole;
There is a balm in Gilead to heal the sinsick soul.*

*Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain,
But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. [Refrain]*

*Don't ever feel discouraged, for Jesus is your friend,
And if you lack for knowledge, he'll not refuse to lend. [Refrain]*

*If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all." [Refrain]*

*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

We think we know so much, O God, and with our meager knowledge we presume to judge others. We arrogantly announce our own righteousness without a compassionate thought. We proclaim your word when it suits us and often only to those with whom we want to associate. We shut others out because of our judgment and blindness. Help us, merciful God, to listen to you. Help us to open our hearts to you. Help us to remember again your great love and presence in our lives. Forgive our foolishness and stubbornness. Create in us new spirits, filled with your love, offering peace and hope to all. This we pray in Jesus' name, as we offer our silent confessions...

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

(11 am only) **Time with Young Disciples**

Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading

Mark 1:21-28

Sermon

"Spoken with Authority"

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

"Rondo Benvenuto"

John S. Dixon

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

Pre-recorded Music

"Pastorale"

by John S. Dixon

"Rondo Benvenuto"

by John S. Dixon

*Please see online
instruction below*

Online instruction for Worship

1. Go to 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!