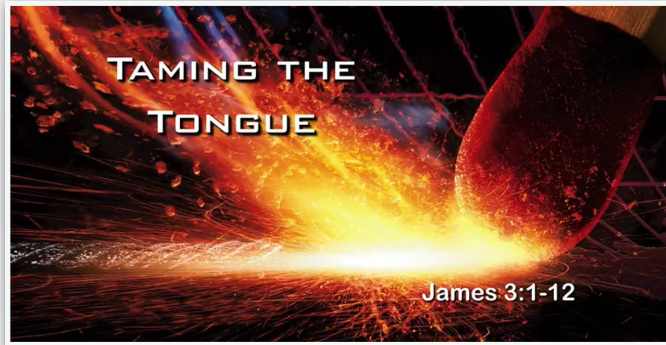


SEPTEMBER 12, 2021



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

THE CHURCH GATHERS 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.

Words of Welcome

Invocation

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

Introit

"Sing Praise to God, Who Reigns Above" arr. Kevin McChesney
(Bells of Providence)

Prelude

"Morning Has Broken " Gaelic Folk Tune

Call To Worship

Just as the heavens burst forth in praise to God,
We celebrate God's abundant and powerful love.
Day by day, and night by night,
God watches over us, loving and healing us.
Come, celebrate with joy the love of God.
Open our hearts and spirits, Lord, and teach us your ways. AMEN

Opening Hymn 515

"I Come with Joy"

text by Brian Wren, 1968
American 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.

Lord, it's easy for us to say that we will follow you and then turn our backs and act as though our commitment to you doesn't mean anything to us. Jesus challenges us to take up our crosses, and when we don't understand what that means, we just shrug and turn away. Forgive our lack of commitment and faith. Heal us of our greed and fears. Give us courage to be disciples, and allow us to joyfully proclaim your healing mercies and your transformational love. In your holy name we make our private confessions...

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Anthem

"There's a Spirit of Love in This Place"
Miller

Mark A.

(11 am only)

Time with Young Disciples

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

Scripture Reading

James 3:1-12

Sermon

"Good Gossip"

Sacrament of Communion

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

Closing Hymn 722 *"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"* ext. by F. Havergal, 1872
music by R. Schumann, 1839

Benediction

Benediction Response *"Go Now in Peace"* Don Besig and Nancy Price

*Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.*

Go now in love, and show you believe.

Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there, watching from above.

Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.

Postlude

Postlude on "Llangloffan"

John S. Dixon

Have a blessed week!

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.