

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 "Be Still, for the Presence of the Lord"

(Iane Pritchett)

Prelude "He Leadeth Me! O Blessed Thought" William B. Bradbury

arr. Mark Haves

David Evans

Call To Worship

It is good to be here today!

We have come from very busy lives, filled both with joys and difficulties.

It is good to be with God who will ease our burdens and celebrate our joys.

We have come to find hope and peace in our lives.

Whatever has happened this week, we know that God has been with us offering peace, rest and blessing.

Thanks be to God who accepts us as we are. Amen.

Opening Hymn 366 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Charles Wesley, 1747 R. H. Prichard, 1831

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.

The Affirmation of Faith helps us express the faith and hope we have as people of God.

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.

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

Gracious God, so often we look at ourselves, our gifts and talents, and wonder what you would do with these offerings. We don't think that we have much to give. So, far too often, we belittle the gifts and turn our backs on the needs around us, believing that our gifts could not possibly make a difference. How foolish we are! Forgive us when we stop listening to your healing and comforting words and focus on our anxieties. Heal us. Help us know that you have given to us such blessings and that these blessings are truly wonderful and meant to be used in joy and service to others. Help us to offer our lives, just as they are, to you and receive your gentle touch and healing grace. We ask this in the name of the One who died to set us free, as we share our private confessions...

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Anthem

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" (Lyle Bagley, cornet)

John Goss arr. Philip Sparke

(11 am only)

Time with Young Disciples

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading

Mark 12:38-44

Sermon

"The Five Lost Commandments"

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.

Litany of Remembrance and Celebration

Pastor: Everliving God, this day revives in us memories of loved ones now and unseen. What happiness we shared when they walked among us. What joy, when, loving and being loved, we lived our lives together.

Congregation: Their memory is a blessing forever.

Pastor: Months may have passed, and still we feel near to them. Our hearts yearn for them. Though the bitter grief may have softened, a duller pain abides; for the place where once they stood is empty now. The links of life are broken, but the links of love and longing cannot break

Congregation: Their souls are bound up in ours forever.

Pastor: We see them with the eye of memory, their faults forgiven, their virtues grown larger. So does goodness live, and weakness fade from sight. We remember them with gratitude and bless their names.

Congregation: Their memory is a blessing forever.

Pastor: And we remember as well the members of our faith family who but yesterday were part of our congregation and community: Mary Ann Cook, Bob North, Rachel McMahan, Ike Stewart, June Estep, and Marjorie Hill.

To all who cared for us and labored for all people, we pay tribute. May we prove worthy of carrying on the tradition of their faith, for now the task is ours.

Congregation: Their souls are bound up in ours forever.

Pastor: We give thanks that they now live and reign with you. As a great crowd of witnesses, they surround us with their blessings, and offer you hymns of praise and thanksgiving.

Congregation: They are alive in our hearts for ever more, Amen.

We Go in Christ's Name to Serve

Closing Hymn 326

"For All The Saints"

William Walsham How, 1846 Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1906

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

"For All the Saints"

Ralph Vaughan Williams

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.