

January 2, 2022



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

Break Forth, O Beauteous Heavenly Light

Johann Rist, 1641
Johann Schop, 1641

Prelude

In the Bleak Midwinter

G. Holst

Call to Worship

The Word became flesh and lived among us.

And we have seen his glory.

The true light that enlightens everyone has come into the world.

Glory to God who has blessed us in Christ. Glory to God forever.

Opening Hymn 150

As with Gladness Men of Old

William C. Dix, 1858
Conrad Kocher, 1838

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

Holy God, we confess that we are a distracted people and forgetful of your love. We make selfish choices, hurt each other, and perpetuate injustice in your world. We have sinned against you and are deeply sorry and repent of our disregard of you, each other, and your creation. By the power of your Spirit, forgive, restore, and strengthen us to live in your light and walk in your truth. We pray this in the name of the One who set us free as we make our private confessions...

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Anthem

The Star Carol
(Robin Birdwell)

Wilha Hutson
Alfred Burt

Time with Young Disciples

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading

John 1:10-18

Sermon

"New Beginnings"

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 151

We Three Kings of Orient Are

John H. Hopkins, 1857

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

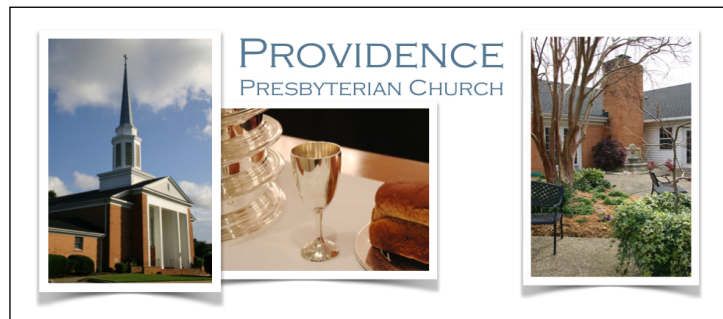
Postlude

March of the Wise Men

John S. Dixon

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.



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