

May 22, 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

God Welcomes All

John L. Bell, 2008

Prelude

Anglaise

JCF Bach

Call to Worship

We come together this day, drawn by the light of God's love!

In God's eternal kingdom, darkness and despair are vanquished.

In God's eternal realm, peace, and hope reign!

Let all the people praise God with their music and their voices!

Let all the people praise God with their deeds of loving-kindness!

Praise be to God. Amen!

Opening Hymn 475

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Robert Robertson, 1758

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.

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

Lord, You know how easy it is for us to sit here, tethered to our darkness and fear. We get bound up by chains of mistrust. We dare not hope, for so many times before we have been disappointed. So we sit here and wonder where you are. We are not unlike the disciples who wondered also, who feared. Lord, come to us in our darkness. Flood us with your powerful light of love and mercy. Help open our eyes to the good news of your eternal glory. Give to us visions of the place in which love and hope will reign. Forgive our stubborn resistance to your mercy and your love. This we pray in the name of the One who died to set us free as we make our private confessions...

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

Anthem

Draw the Circle Wide

Mark A. Miller

(11 am only)

Time with Young Disciples

We Hear God's Word

Scripture Reading

Acts 16:9-15

Sermon

When What You Get Isn't What You Signed Up For...

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 295

Go to the World!

*text Sylvia Dunstan, 1985
music R. Vaughan-Williams, 1906*

Benediction

Benediction Response

May the Lord

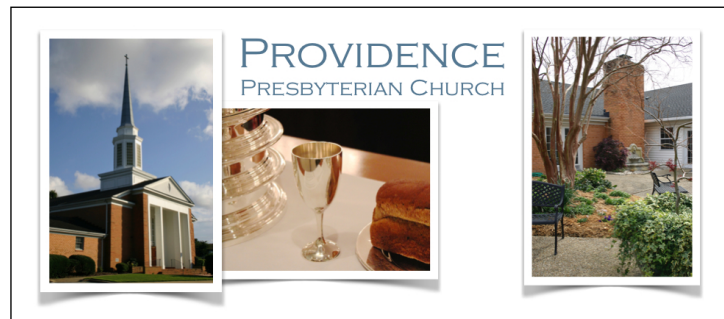
*May the Lord, mighty God, Bless and keep you forever
Grant you peace, perfect peace, Courage in every endeavor.
Lift up your eyes and see His face and His grace forever.
May the Lord, mighty God, Bless and keep you forever.*

Postlude

American Pastorale

John S. Dixon

Have a blessed week!



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