

April 30, 2023



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

We Gather in God's Name

Welcome.
We are glad
you have chosen to
gather and worship!
Go to
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to join us for a live
broadcast starting
at 11:00 am.

Prelude

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
(Lyle Bagley, cornet)

arr. D. R. Heier

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

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

Introit

Shepherd Me, O God

Marty Haugen, 1986

*Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants,
beyond my fears, from death, into life.*

Call to Worship

This is the good news: the grave is empty; Christ is risen.

Alleluia! He is risen indeed!

This is the good news: the light shines in the darkness and the darkness can never put it out.

Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed!

This is the good news: once we were without identity; now we are God's people.

We joyfully shout Alleluia!

Let us worship the Risen Christ.

Hymn 802

The King of Love My Shepherd Is (Psalm 23)

H. W. Baker, 1868
Irish melody

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

Affirmation of Faith - selected lines from *A Declaration of Faith*

**We confess that Jesus is our living Lord.
Jesus was dead and buried, but God raised him from the dead.
The risen Lord appeared to his followers.
They recognized him as their Master who had been crucified.
We are certain that Jesus lives.
We declare that Jesus is Lord.
His resurrection is a decisive victory over the powers that deform and destroy human life.
We maintain that ultimate sovereignty now belongs to Jesus Christ in every sphere of life.
Jesus is Lord!
He has been Lord from the beginning.
He will be Lord at the end.
Even now he is Lord. 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

God of community, you call us to a world radically different from what we are used to. You ask us to lay aside our ideas of "us" and "them," "mine" and "yours." You show us a life where goods are shared, where all are welcomed and loved, and faithfulness is shown through generosity. Yet we cling to our possessions, trusting them more than we trust in you. Forgive us, merciful God. Turn our hearts to live your ways. Help us to truly believe in you and live as you desire. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

John 10:1-10

Anthem

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

William M. Runyan
arr. Benjamin Harlan

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

Acts 2:42-47

Sermon

Lessons From the Past

We Respond in Thanks

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.

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Doxology

***Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn 826

Lift High the Cross

G. W. Kitchin, 1887
S. H. Nicholson, 1915

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

Rondo Benvenuto

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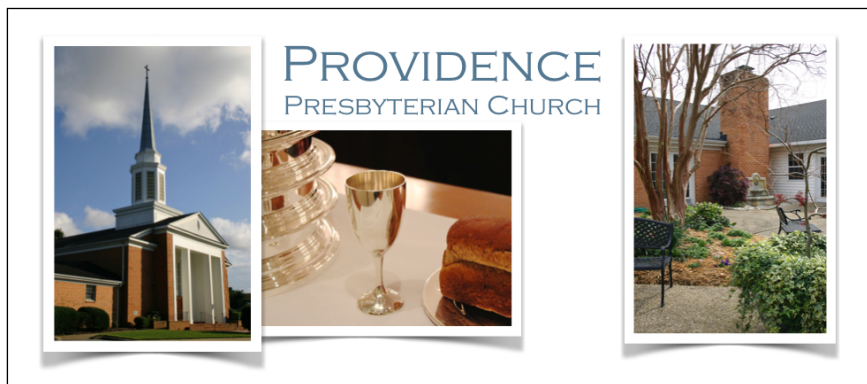
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