

August 6, 2023



PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We Gather in God's Name

Prelude

Air

Jonathan Battishill

Words of Welcome

(please sign friendship pads and pass to your neighbor)

Opening Prayer

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

Introit

Be Known to Us in Breaking Bread James Montgomery, 1825
(sung by Choir and Congregation)

*Be known to us in breaking bread, but do not then depart;
Savior, abide with us, and spread your table in our heart.*

*Here share with us, in love divine, your body and your blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine be our immortal food.*

Call to Worship

We come to this time of worship to silence the voices of the world.

We come into this space to hear the voice of God calling us, claiming us, and challenging us.

We come here to lift our voices in song, to make a joyful noise.

We come here to give thanks for all that God has given.

We come to this table knowing the feast has been prepared.

We come to this table knowing that this meal sustains us for the work we are called to do.

Let us come with joy.

*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 10:00 am.*

Hymn 509

All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly

Sylvia Dunstan, 1990
music from *Columbian Harmony*, 1825

Affirmation of Faith - (from the PC(USA) Declaration of Faith)

**Jesus Christ stands at the center of the biblical record.
The Bible is the account of God’s word and action in history,
together with his people’s response in faith.
It tells how the Lord has moved with Israel and the church
towards the kingdom of God,
his just and loving rule over all.
It is the story of the one God,
who is the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
That story is still unfolding, and in faith, we make it our own.
It forms our memory and our hope.
It tells us who we are and what we are to do.
To retell it is to declare what we believe.
Amen.**

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

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

God of our hopes and dreams, we are empty and long to be filled; we are hungry and long to be fed; we are lost and long to be found. Invite us once more to eat our fill and find our true nourishment in Christ, the bread of heaven. Just as Jesus gathered up the broken fragments of the five loaves and two fish after feeding the multitude, gather up the broken pieces of our lives, mold us by your hand, and shelter us in your love. Claim us as your people, today and always, and guide us in your path. 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.*

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God’s Word

First Reading

Genesis 32:22-31

Solo

Come to Jesus
(Ashley Veraque)

Chris Rice

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

Matthew 14:13-21

Sermon

It Doesn’t Look Like Much

We Respond in Thanks

Sacrament of Communion

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving 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.

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayer

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 526

Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ

Fred Karan, 1975
Jamaican folk melody

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

The Ash Grove

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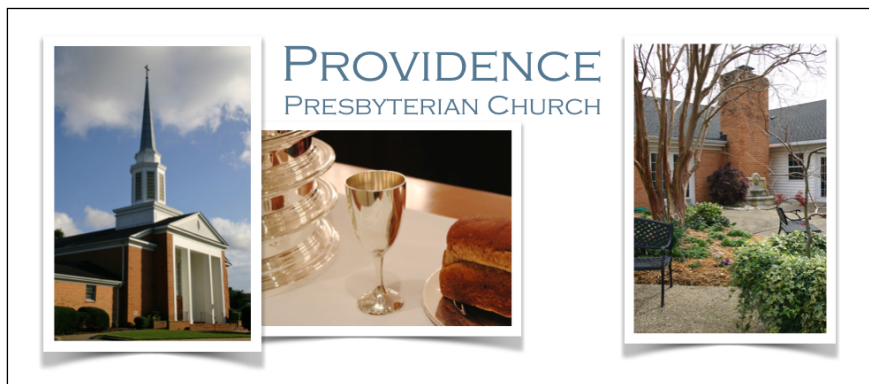
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