

October 15, 2023



PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

Meditation on "Terra Beata"
(A time to quietly prepare our hearts for worship)

Charles Callahan

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

In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

Jacques Berthier, 1986

*In the Lord I'll be ever thankful; in the Lord I will rejoice!
Look to God; do not be afraid.*

Lift up your voices; the Lord is near. Lift up your voices; the Lord is near.

Call to Worship

Come to this time of worship with gladness. Children of God, rejoice!

We are delighted to be in this space; to worship together; and to be united in a common ministry.

We gather for worship today to celebrate our gifts, talents, and abilities.

We celebrate the gifts we give to this church, the multitude of ways we use the talents God has given us.

We are many people, gifted by God in various ways.

We recognize our own unique talents, and we rejoice that we see different talents in our friends and neighbors.

It is the combination of talents that makes our ministry possible.

Today we come with gratitude, bringing our thanks and praise.

Hymn 712

As Those of Old Their Firstfruits Brought Frank von Christierson, 1960
English folk melody

Affirmation of Faith

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

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.

Prayer of Confession

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.

Good and generous God, you have gifted each of us with unique talents and abilities. We confess that we often fail to recognize our giftedness or choose to hide our talents from the world. Too often we rely on others and their competencies instead of looking at ourselves and seeing the possibilities that are inside each of us. We greedily keep our talents to ourselves and use them only when it is convenient or easy. Forgive our foolish and selfish ways. Open our eyes to recognize the gifts and capabilities that we possess, and encourage us to find delight in using them in creative and faithful ways. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word

Anthem

What Shall I Render?

Psalm 116:12-19
arr. Allen Pote

Time with Young Disciples

All God's Creatures Got a Place in the Choir

Bill Staines

Reading

1 Corinthians 12:4-18, 27

Sermon

Called Together... Together Called

Stewardship Hymn

Each Christian Has a Calling
(See insert, verses 1 and 3)

David Gambrell, 2020

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.

Minute For Stewardship

Elizabeth Carter

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 716

God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending Robert Edwards, 1961
music from *The Sacred Harp*, 1844

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

In Joyful Praise

Laurence Lyon

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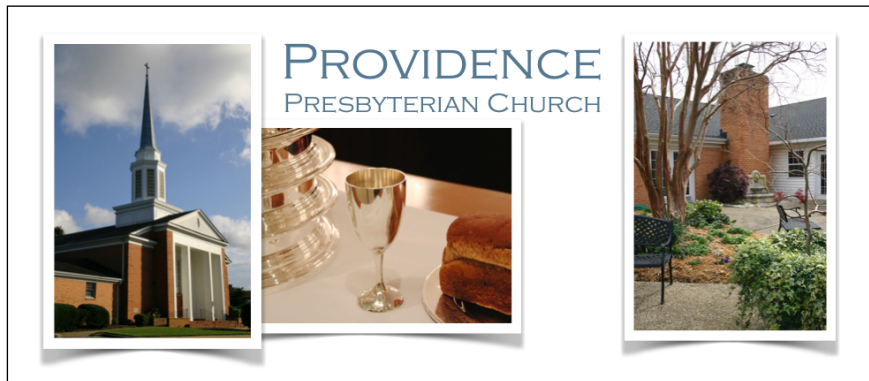
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