

July 28, 2024



PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Rooted in Faith, Nurtured by Grace, Growing God's Kingdom

Gathering as the People of God

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 10:30 am.

Prelude

God Himself Is Present

Michael Burkhart

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

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

Introit

What Does the Lord Require of You?

Jim Strathtdee, 1986

Call to Worship

We do not come before you, O God, as heroes and heroines, making boasts and seeking halos.

We come before you as rebels and sinners, making confession and seeking forgiveness.

Like King David, we have exalted you in public, but we have betrayed you in secret.

Yet you have blotted out our transgressions, and you have forgiven our sins.

Open our mouths, O God,

That we might shout your praise and hail your love.

Hymn 634

To God Be the Glory

text by Fanny Crosby, 1875
music by William Doane, 1875

*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

Almighty and everlasting God, you know that we are sinners, yet you treat us as if we were not; you know that we are unworthy of your love, yet you treat us as if we were. You endow us with goodness while we squander your blessings. We yearn for the possessions that our neighbors enjoy. Envy, greed, and selfishness consume us. We thank you for welcoming us into your presence. We bow before you in confidence, not because of our goodness, but because of your grace. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

Ephesians 3:14-21

Solo

Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)
(Ashley Veraque)

Chris Rice

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

2 Samuel 11:1-15, Psalm 14

Sermon

Autonomy vs. God's Boundaries
(Pastor Melinda Stroyeck)

Responding as People of Faith

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.

Giving of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Dear Lord and Father of Mankind* arr. Charles Callahan

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 822 *When We Are Living* Roberto Escamilla, 1983

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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 Organist, John Dixon
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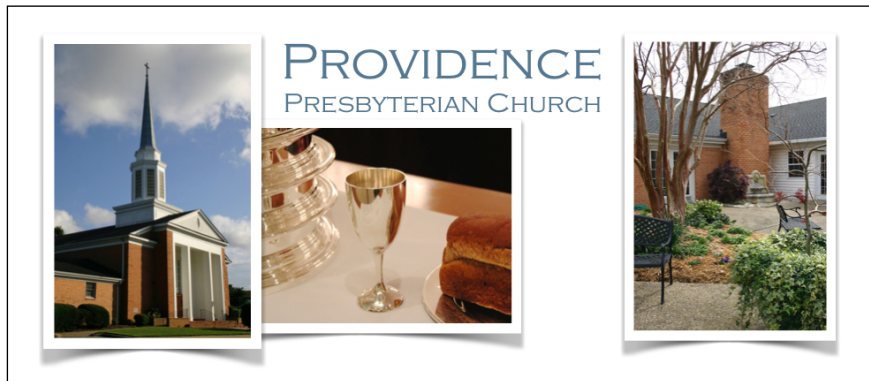
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