

### 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
Words of Welcome to join us for a live broadcast starting

Prelude Op. 40

John S. Dixon

at 10:30 am. Tolling of the Bell - Rung three times to symbolize our Triune God

Introit God, We Honor You James E. Clemens, 2008

Call to Worship

We have gathered in this place to worship

because lesus invites us to come!

We come as we are, with our faith and our doubts, with our successes and our failures

because lesus invites us to come!

We come with what we have, bringing with us the events and experiences of this past week,

because lesus invites us to come.

**Hymn 435** 

F. W. Faber, 1854 Dutch melody

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.

### **Prayer of Confession**

Father, we are full of words, but they are often words of anger, bitterness, and jealousy. We use our words to hurt others, to spoil relationships and to build barriers between us. We use words to make ourselves sound compassionate, but our thoughts are selfish and our intentions self-centered. We use words to criticize others, to belittle and to gossip, hurting you and our neighbor. We have no right to ask for forgiveness and there is no earthly reason why you should cleanse and renew us. We simply have faith that in Christ you will. Father, speak the word of hope, of mercy, of cleansing and renewal, and give us the power and commission to offer them to each other. In the name of Christ, whose name is love. Amen.

**Silent Prayer of Confession** 

**Words of Assurance** 

## We Hear God's Word

First Reading Psalm 130:1-8

**Solo** *This Little Light of Mine*(Robin Birdwell, soprano)

Spiritual arr. J.W. Work

**Time with Young Disciples** 

**Second Reading** Ephesians 4:25-5:2

**Sermon** Will They Know We Are Christians? (Rev. Linda Rainey)

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.

## 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

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 697**Take My Life
F. R. Havergal, 1874
Cesar Malan, 1827

**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** Toccata from Symphony No. 5 C.M. Widor

Have a blessed week!

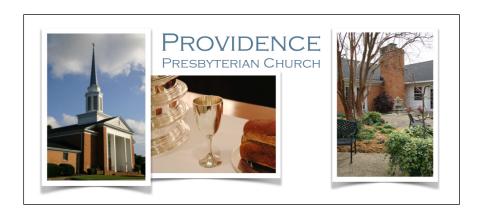
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