

August 25, 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

The Hatfield Minuet

Anon

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

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

Introit

How Lovely, Lord (Psalm 84)

Arlo D. Duba, 1984
H. Hopson, 1983

Call to Worship

God of power and might.

God of love and mercy,

Your power challenges and changes;

Your power guides and fulfills.

God's power equates with justice and mercy.

God is so worthy of honor and praise.

Let our worship express this.

Let our lives mirror the same.

Hymn 12

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

W. C. Smith, 1867
Welsh folk 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

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.

Too often Lord, we stand firm in our own misguided perception of power. Rather than submit to your use of power, which aims always to upbuild in love, we pursue our own selfish interest, gaining whatever allies we can along the way. What emerges is not closely-knit community where the well-being of all is most important, but rather individuals in isolation easily swayed by swift and twisting currents of personal glory, greed, and gain. Forgive us these selfish outbursts, O God, this use of power for self alone rather than for all. Instill within us a new spirit, one willing to bow to your will and way. Educate us and convert us to that way, for we ask it in the name of him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life, one of great power, yet one who ever uses power wisely and compassionately. It is in his name, the name of Jesus the Christ, that we pray. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

Psalm 84

Anthem

I Can Do All Things Through Christ

Virgil T. Ford

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

John 6:56-69

Sermon

The Bread of Life
(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

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 839

Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!

Fanny Crosby, 1873
Phoebe Knapp, 1873

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

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

Paul Manz

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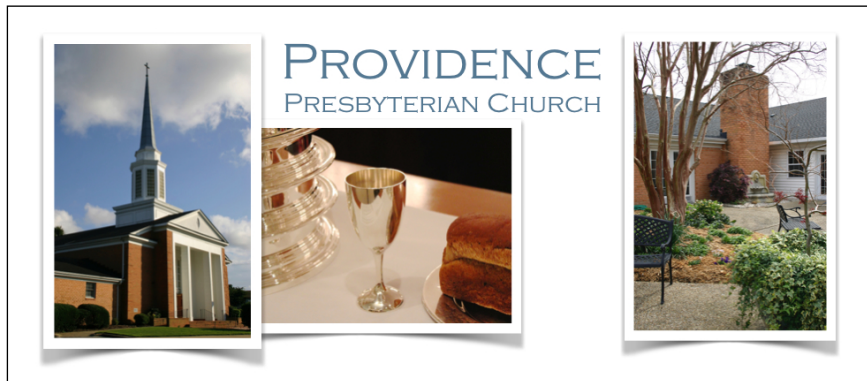
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