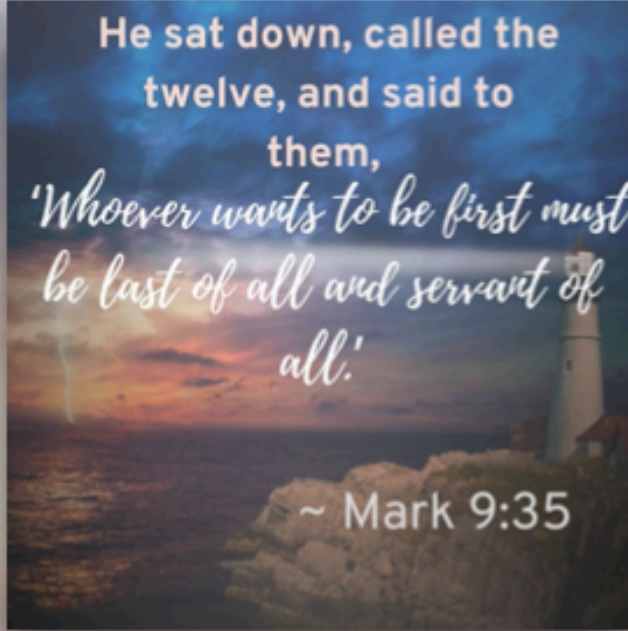


September 22, 2024



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

Gathering as the People of God

Prelude

Pastorale in D minor

John S. Dixon

Words of Welcome

Opening Prayer

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

Introit

Live in Charity (Ubi caritas)

Jacques Berthier, 1979

Live in charity and steadfast love. (Ubi caritas et amor,)

Live in charity; God will dwell with you. (ubi caritas Deus ibi est.)

Call to Worship

Jesus said: "Let the children come to me, and do not stop them,
because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these.

Jesus said: "Whoever welcomes in my name one of these children, welcomes me,
And whoever welcomes me, welcomes not only me but also the one who sent me."

Come, let us worship the Father who reminds us of our responsibility
to welcome the children with enthusiasm, with respect, and with the open arms of the heart.

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 10:30 am.

Hymn 320

The Church of Christ in Every Age

text by Fred P. Green, 1969
music by William Knapp, 1738

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.

Lord, when we try to measure greatness, we usually pass over the children, assuming that they are out of the running. We forget that Jesus taught us to embrace them, for to such belongs the kingdom of God. Open our eyes and our hearts, Lord, that we may come to understand that in your eyes all are precious, all may find wisdom and true greatness. We ask for forgiveness in Jesus' name. Amen.

Silent Prayer of Confession

Words of Assurance

We Hear God's Word

First Reading

James 3:13 - 4:3, 7-8a

Anthem

Draw the Circle Wide

Mark A. Miller

Time with Young Disciples

Second Reading

Mark 9:30-37

Sermon

Last of All - Servant of All
(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 729

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian African American spiritual

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

Dawning

Caron Cooman

Have a blessed week!

Bridge Pastor, Rev. Linda Rainey
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 Today's Liturgist, Sue Crosland
 Director of Music, Valetta Fellenbaum
 Organist, John Dixon
 Administrative Assistant, Kristen Ferragut

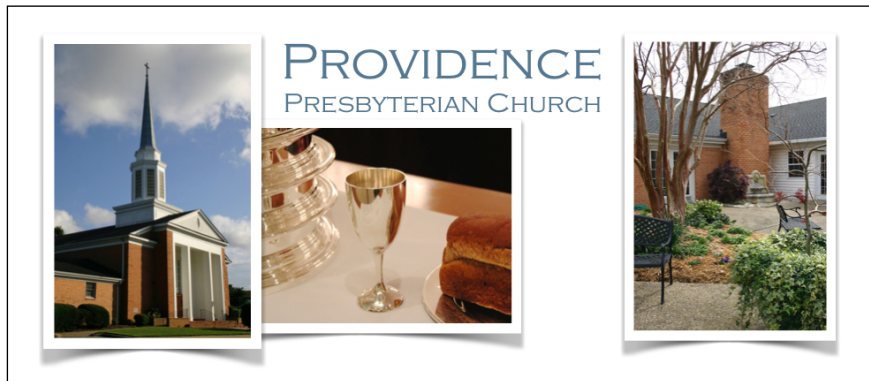
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