

### PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

# Gathering as the People of God

Welcome. We are glad Words of Welcome you have chosen to gather and worship! Go to www.provpres.org to join us for a live broadcast starting at 11:00 am.

**Prelude** In Dulci Jubilo German Chorale

**Opening Prayer** 

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

**Call to Worship and Lighting of the Advent Candle** Jonathan and Sarah Hyslop

You who bring good news to Zion, go up on a high mountain.

You who bring good news to Jerusalem, lift up your voice with a shout. Lift it up, do not be afraid; say to the towns of Judah, "Here is your God!"

See, the Sovereign LORD comes with power, and he rules with a mighty arm.

We light these candles as signs of God's hope and peace. May they be beacons calling us to repent and to live the good news of Jesus Christ as we wait and watch for the day when all people can gather together to worship and glorify the Lord.

**Sung Response** 

(Choir and Congregation)

Come, Savior, quickly come; come, Savior, quickly come. Jesus, our Lord, Emmanuel, while we are waiting, come.

**Hymn 143** 

Angels from the Realms of Glory

text by James Montgomery, 1816 music by Melchior Teschner, 1614

The Affirmation of Faith

This office the Lord Jesus did most willingly undertake, which, that He might discharge, He was made under the law, and did perfectly fulfill it; endured most grievous torments immediately in His soul, and most painful sufferings in His body; was crucified and died; was buried, and remained under the power of death, yet saw no corruption. On the third day He arose from the dead, with the same body in which He suffered; with which also He ascended into heaven, and there sitteth at the right hand of His Father, making intercession; and shall return to judge men and angels, at the end of the world.(WCF 8.4)

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen. Amen.

**Prayer of Confession** 

Holy and merciful Prince of Peace, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for all we have done and left undone. Help us to walk in your light and in your ways in Jesus name.

**Silent Prayer of Confession** 

**Assurance of Pardon** 

We Hear God's Word

**First Reading** 

Isaiah 9:2-7

Anthem

The Angel Gabriel

Basque Carol arr. John S. Dixon

**Time with Young Disciples** 

**Second Reading** 

John 14:27

Sermon

Prince of Peace

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.

of Faith helps

us express the

faith and hope

we have as people of God.

## 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 Christe Redemptor Omnium traditional chant (Sarah Hyslop, Ashley Veraque, Jonathan Hyslop, Robie Armbruster) arr. Daniel Elder

> Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

**Hymn 840** It Is Well with My Soul text by Horatio C. Spafford, 1876 music by Philip B. Bliss, 1876

**Benediction** 

**Benediction Response** 

O come, Desire of nations, bind all peoples in one heart and mind; bid envy, strife, and discord cease; fill the whole world with heaven's peace.

Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

**Postlude** Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day English Carol

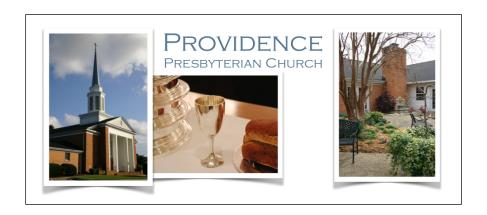
Have a blessed week!

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