

January 12, 2025



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

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 11:00 am.

Chiming of the Hour and Greeting

Enter Into Worship

Prelude

A Hymn

Robert Schumann

Introit

Come and Fill Our Hearts

Jacques Berthier, 1982

*Come and fill our hearts with your peace. You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia!*

Call to Worship

O come, let us sing to the LORD;
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
Let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Opening Hymn 401

Here in This Place (Gather Us In)

Marty Haugen, 1979

Prayer of Confession

Eternal Father, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves and turned away from our neighbors. We have refused to bear the troubles of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed.

Confessional Response

*Kyrie Eleison, Christe Eleison, Kyrie Eleison
(Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy, Lord have mercy)*

Assurance of Pardon

Response to God's Grace

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.

The Word

First Scripture Reading

Psalm 1

Anthem

Like a Tree Planted by the Water

based on Psalm 1

words and music by Sandra T. Ford, 2000

*Like a tree planted by the water, may I stay, rooted in the love of God.
Like a tree planted by the water, let me grow in your knowledge, O Lord.*

*Like a tree planted by the water, standing firm and thriving through the wind and rain;
like a tree planted by the water, let me grow in your knowledge, O Lord.*

*May my gains reflect your goodness, my delight be in your law;
my counsel be the course that I embrace.*

*In your guidance may I flourish, and each season be enriched,
so my deeds return the harvest of your grace.*

*Like a tree planted by the water, may I stay, rooted in the love of God.
Like a tree planted by the water, let me grow in your knowledge, O Lord.*

Time with Young Disciples

Second Scripture Reading

Luke 3:15-17; 21-22

Sermon

Gathered In

Responding to the Word

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

African American Spiritual

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

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.

Prayer of the People and the 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.

Closing Hymn 482

Baptized in Water

text by Michael A. Seward, 1981

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.

The Sending

Benediction

Closing 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

Joyful Hymn

John S. Dixon

Have a blessed week!

Opportunities

Women's Ministry Mission Project Day Saturday, January 25, 9am – 2pm

All ages and skill levels welcome as we create and pack items to support local nursing home. Lunch provided. Contact PPW@provpres.org to register or for more information.

Items needed (box in narthex): combs, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, bars of soap, hand sanitizer, moisturizer, Efferdent tablets, Poligrip, Band-Aids, socks, small mouthwash.

Valentine's Dinner – Saturday, February 15 5:30 pm - 8:00 pm 5:30 - Hor d'Oeuvres 6pm – Dinner: Baked chicken, roast beef & gravy, glazed carrots & roasted potatoes and salad. and fellowship. \$30 per person -Tickets on sale now! Contact **Aaron Gilbert** agilbert95@ymail.com or **757-763-9802**

The Choir needs your voice! We will host a joint choir with Great Bridge Presbyterian Church for a **Good Friday Service**, April 18th 2025 at 7pm featuring Faure's Requiem. Join the both choirs, guest harpist Barbara Chapman and guest musicians from Virginia Wesleyan University. Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings. Contact **Valetta**, music@provpres.org, for more information. Don't miss this great opportunity to worship!

Job Opportunity – Little Lambs Nursery Assistant needed on Sunday mornings 9:30-12:30. Share the love of Jesus with each child in a nurturing environment! For more information contact **Dianne Stockmeier**, stockm@cox.net or **757-548-0091**

Volunteer Needed – To audit Providence Presbyterian Church's financial records. Ideal volunteer will have good organization, attention to detail and interest in working with numbers. For more information contact **Elizabeth Carter**, ecwatchdog@gmail.com or **757-470-8371**.

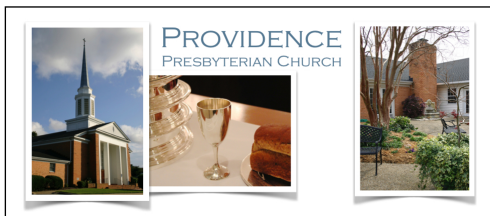
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