

August 24, 2025



Meant for Good: The Silver Cup

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
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broadcast starting
at 11:00 am.

Chiming of the Hour and Greeting

Enter Into Worship

Prelude

Trio Opus 41

John S. Dixon

Call to Worship

Sing to the Lord, all the earth;
Proclaim His salvation day after day.
Declare His glory among the nations,
His marvelous deeds among all peoples.

Introit

Goodness Is Stronger than Evil
[See Hymn 750 for the text.]

text by Desmond Tutu, 1994
music by John L. Bell, 1996

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, we acknowledge that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Lord, you are full of compassion and grace, slow to anger, and rich in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us. Amen.

Confessional Response

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

Assurance of Pardon

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.

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.

Hymn 405

Praise God for This Holy Ground

John L. Bell, 2002

The Word

Trio

Down to the River to Pray
(Ashley Veraque, Karen Dixon, Susan Ayers)

Traditional Spiritual
arr. Mary McDonald

*As I went down to the river to pray, studyin' about that good ole way
and who shall wear the starry crown, good Lord, show me the way.
O brother, let's go down, let's go down, down to the river to pray.*

*O Lord, listen to your children praying; O Lord, send your Spirit in this place.
O Lord, listen to your children praying; send us love, send us power, send us grace.*

*Something's gonna happen like the world has never known,
when the people of the Lord get down to pray.
A door's gonna swing open, and the walls come a-tumblin' down,
when the people of the Lord get down to pray.*

Blessing of the Backpacks

Time with Young Disciples

Scripture Reading

Genesis 44: 1-14

Sermon

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Responding to the Word

Prayers of the People 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.

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

Aria on "Leoni"

John S. Dixon

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.

The Sending

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

arr. Paul Manz



Dear Congregation,

On behalf of the Providence Presbyterian Church Men's Group, I want to extend our deepest thanks for your generous donation in memory of Mike Stockmeier. Your support means more than words can express, and it's a powerful reminder of the strength and unity within our church family.

Because of your kindness, we're able to continue our mission of fellowship, service, and spiritual growth. Whether it's through outreach programs, community projects, or simply gathering in faith, your contribution helps us build something truly meaningful.

We are blessed by your generosity. May God continue to bless you abundantly, just as you have blessed us.

With heartfelt gratitude,

Tracy Gilbert

Treasurer

Providence Presbyterian Church Men's Group

Men's Fellowship BBQ Dinner - PPC Men will be hosting their annual BBQ dinner on **Saturday, September 6, from 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm** in the fellowship hall. Tickets cost \$13 for adults and \$7 for children. Tickets are currently on sale after worship by the fellowship hall. For more information, please contact **Aaron Gilbert** at agilbert95@ymail.com.

Rally Day - September 7 at 10 am. Come learn about all the great ways to get connected at Providence this year! Enjoy food and fellowship before worship as we kick off the fall calendar.

Rise Against Hunger - SAVE THE DATE! This year's RISE Against Hunger event will be on Sunday, October 5, immediately following worship. This year, we are going to prepare 15,000 meals! Details and signup info will be coming soon.

Men's Retreat - October 24 - 26, Corolla, NC. Spend a weekend along with the men of First Presbyterian Church, Norfolk, as we "Reignite" our faith through Bible study, discussion, and fellowship. For more information, contact **Kevin Daley**, kdaley7203@gmail.com, or **Pastor Joel**, pastor@provpres.org. Grab an informational flyer in the Narthex this morning!

*The flowers that grace our sanctuary today are
given to the glory of God by
Lee and Joanne Anderson in loving memory of Joanne's mother, Katherine Jordan.
Also,
Kelsey K. Wilson in memory of Dolores E. Wilson.*

Have a blessed week!

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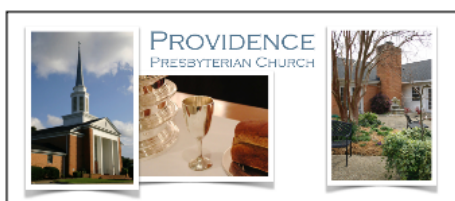
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