



# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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

# Enter Into Worship

|                           |   |  |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Prelude                   | <i>The Huron Carol</i>  | Canadian Carol   |
| Call to Worship           | Psalm 148: 1-4  |  |
| Hymn 119                  | <i>Hark! The Herald Angels Sing</i>   | text by Charles Wesley, 1739<br>music by Felix Mendelssohn, 1840 |
| Prayer of Confession      | <p>Gracious Lord, in Jesus Christ, you called us to be a servant people, but we do not do what you command. We are often silent when we should speak and useless when we could be useful. As we prepare for a new year and new opportunities for faithful obedience, have mercy upon us, O God. Forgive us and free us from sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</p> |  |
| Confessional Response     | <p><i>Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)</i><br/> <i>Christe Eleison (Christ have mercy)</i><br/> <i>Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)</i></p>   |  |
| Assurance of Pardon       |   |  |
| Response to God's Grace   | <i>Gloria Patri</i>   |  |
| Hymn 138                  | <i>Who Would Think That What Was Needed</i>   | text and music by John L. Bell, 2005                             |
| Anthem                    | <i>The Sun in the Morning</i>   | Sussex folk song<br>arr. John S. Dixon                           |
| Time with Young Disciples |   |  |

# The Word

Scripture Reading

Hebrews 2:10-18

Sermon

What Child is This?

## Responding to the Word

Prayers 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

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory

Greensleeves

English Carol

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

Hymn 136

Go Tell It on the Mountain

African American Spiritual

## 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

Past Three O'Clock

English Carol



**2026 Offering Envelopes** - are now available in the narthex. Please pick yours up following worship.

**Men's Fellowship Dinner** - Please join us on **Thursday, January 8, at 6:00 pm** at Providence in the fellowship hall. Sign up at church or online Bring a friend! For more information contact Aaron Gilbert at [agilbert95@ymail.com](mailto:agilbert95@ymail.com) or 757-763-9802.

**2026 Congregational Meeting** - On **Sunday, January 11**, following worship, for the purpose of electing elders and approving pastoral terms of call.

**Chili Cook-off** - Fellowship will host a "Chili" celebration on **Sunday, January 11**, following worship. Please make your favorite chili recipe and/or cornbread and bring it in for all to share. A sign-up sheet will be posted at the church. For more information, please contact **Jane Pritchett** at [gloriajpritchett@yahoo.com](mailto:gloriajpritchett@yahoo.com).

*The flowers that grace our sanctuary today  
are given to the glory of God by Bob and Robin Birdwell.  
in memory of Robin's loving father, Luther Parker's 95th Birthday.*

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### 2025 Session

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Brent Nielson  
Michelle Bolton

#### Fellowship Committee

Jane Pritchett  
Susan Ayers

#### Mission/Outreach/Evangelism

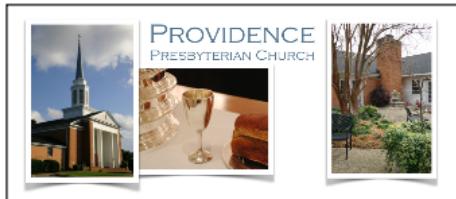
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Chris Veraque

#### Property Committee

Kevin Daley  
Julie Bauman

#### Worship Committee

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