

January 4, 2026



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

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## Enter Into Worship

Prelude	<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i>	Gustav Holst
Call to Worship	Psalm 147: 12-13	
Hymn 119	<i>As with Gladness Men of Old</i>	text by W.C. Dix 1858 music by Conrad Kocher, 1838
Prayer of Confession	Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have loved ourselves more than our neighbors and trusted our own wisdom more than your Word. Forgive us for the wrong we have done and the good we have left undone. Restore us by your mercy in Jesus Christ. Amen.	
Confessional Response	<i>Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)</i> <i>Christe Eleison (Christ have mercy)</i> <i>Kyrie Eleison (Lord have mercy)</i>	
Assurance of Pardon		
Response to God's Grace	<i>Gloria Patri</i> (Seated)	
Hymn 144	<i>In the Bleak Midwinter</i> (Seated)	text by Christina Rossetti, 1872 music by Gustav Holst, 1906
Time with Young Disciples		

# The Word

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2: 1-12

Sermon

We Three Kings

## Responding to the Word

Offering Our Gifts

Offertory Anthem

*Star of Wonder*

Greg Gilpin

*Star of wonder, star so bright, guide me on my way,  
then maybe I will find the gift of love and light.  
Lead me to the little baby.*

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

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation & Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration & Lord's Prayer (Sung)

**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**

Sharing of the Elements

Communion Anthem

*In the Singing*  
[See Hymn 533 for the text ]

text by Shirley Erena Murray, 1994  
Music by Carlton Young, 1996

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn 145

*What Child Is This*

text by W.C Dix, 1871  
16th century English ballad

## The Sending

Benediction

Benediction Response

*Go Now in Peace*

Don Besig and Nancy Price

***Go now in peace. Never be afraid. God will go with you each hour of ev'ry day.  
Go now in faith, steadfast, strong and true. Know He will guide you in all you do.  
Go now in love, and show you believe.  
Reach out to others so all the world can see. God will be there, watching from above.  
Go now in peace, in faith and in love. Amen. Amen. Amen.***

Postlude

*Fantasia on We Three Kings*

John S. Dixon



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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).

*Have a blessed week!*

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2025 Session

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Congregational Care Committee

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Brent Nielson  
Michelle Bolton

Fellowship Committee

Jane Pritchett  
Susan Ayers

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Committee

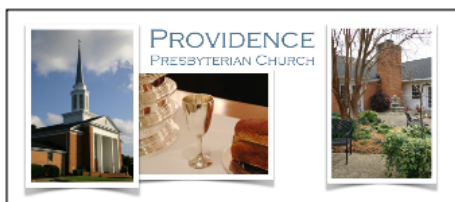
Ashley Schroeder  
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