

July 5, 2026



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

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## The Gathering

Prelude

*Melita (Setting I)*

David N. Johnson

Call to Worship

Psalm 145:8-14

The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**The Lord is good to all, and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you.

**They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power, to make known to all people your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and your dominion endures throughout all generations. The Lord is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds.

**The Lord upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.**

Hymn 331

*God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand*

text by Daniel C. Roberts, 1876  
music by George Warren, 1892

Prayer of Confession

Holy and Loving God, we confess that we have often failed to love you with our whole heart, mind, and soul. We have often failed to love our neighbor as we love ourselves and failed to love one another as Jesus Christ first loved us. We confess that we are sinners, and that we are entirely dependent upon your unmerited grace toward us through Jesus Christ to overcome our shortcomings. Have mercy upon us Lord. Strengthen us Lord to better fulfill your commandments and live lives worthy of our calling as your children. Amen.

Confessional Response

*Listen, Lord, listen, Lord, not to our words but to our prayer.  
You alone, you alone understand and care.*

Assurance of Pardon

**Response to God's Grace**

*Glory to God* text adaptation and music by Paul M. Vasile, 2008  
(See hymn 582 for text and music)

**Hymn 340** (*seated*)

*This Is My Song*

text by Lloyd Stone, 1962  
music by Jean Sibelius, 1899

**Solo**

*The Lily of the Valley*  
(Robin Birdwell, soprano)

arr. Michael Smith

**Time with Young Disciples**

## The Word

**First Lesson**

Romans 7:15-25a

**Second Lesson**

1 John 4:7- 21

**Sermon**

"Will They Know We Are Christians?"  
(Randy DuVall)

## Responding to the Word

**Prayer 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

*Melita (Setting II)*

David N. Johnson

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.

**Providence Man of the Year Award Presentation**

**Hymn 300**

*They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love*

Peter Scholtes, 1966

# 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

*Jesus, Name of Wondrous Love*

setting by David N. Johnson



*Congratulations! John Dixon has learned that he passed a rigorous two-day Professional Certification exam taken in Pittsburgh a few weeks ago, and he is now officially an "Associate" of the American Guild of Organists (AGO). The Associate exam assesses various areas, including organ repertoire performance, keyboard skills, analysis, ear tests, aural perception, and composition. In addition to this milestone, John is completing a term as Treasurer of the AGO and will be attending the AGO annual convention in St. Louis this week. Also exciting to note is that later this summer, John will be completing his very ambitious goal of playing an organ recital of his compositions in each of the 50 states—Denver, Colorado, will be the culmination of that project. We are so fortunate to have John at Providence and congratulate him on these remarkable achievements!*

**Providence VBS 2026** - join us for **Rome: Paul and the Underground Church**. The adventure includes dinner, bible lessons for all ages, songs, and games. **July 12 - 15, 2026, from 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm** in the fellowship hall. Please sign up using the link provided in our weekly newsletter or the sign-up sheet posted outside the fellowship hall. An adult must accompany children.

Providence Women are collecting donations for **Migrant and Seasonal Farm Workers** who often face food insecurity. Funds will support \$35 food and hygiene kits, PEVA's most urgent need. PPC pledged 50 kits and donated over \$2000 last year. **Please donate by July 12.** Make checks out to Providence Presbyterian Church with "Migrant Workers" in the memo. Please keep these workers in your prayers as they labor in the fields during this season. For more details, see our weekly newsletter.

*Have a blessed week!*

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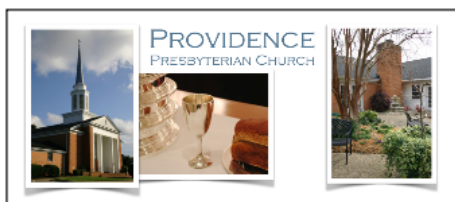
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