

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Order of Worship

SEPTEMBER 8, 2019

WELCOME

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP*

from Psalm 33.16-22

Minister: No king is saved by the size of his army; no warrior escapes by his great strength.

All: A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; despite all its great strength it cannot save.

Minister: But the eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him, on those whose hope is in his unfailing love, to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.

All: We wait in hope for the LORD; He is our help and our shield. In Him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in His holy name.

HYMNS*

Come Thou Almighty King | No. 101

TRINITY

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing,
Help us to praise: Father, all glorious,
O'er all victorious, come, and reign over us, Ancient of days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend: come and thy people bless,
And give thy Word success, Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour. Thou who almighty art,
Now rule in every heart, and ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be,
Hence evermore. His sovereign majesty
May we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty | No. 53

LOBE DEN HERREN

Stanzas 1, 3, and 5

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again;
Gladly forever adore him.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WOW Ladies Tea

Please mark your calendars and plan to join us for a Ladies Tea on Saturday, September 21, at the home of Janet Lewis, 3525 Coral Gables Drive, Dallas 75229. It is "come and go" from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.. Please text or call Margie McCabe at 469.964.8512 if you can join us. We hope to see you there!

Friday Storytime and Open Play

Join us on the first and third Friday mornings of the month, as our children's rooms and playroom will be open for free play from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. We will also have a story and music time geared towards toddlers and preschoolers at 10 a.m. We would love for you to join us. Feel free to invite friends and come enjoy fellowship in our children's wing! Contact Lindsey Micek (lflyg@yahoo.com) with questions.

El Buen Pastor ESL Volunteer Opportunities

El Buen Pastor is looking for local volunteers ("missionaries") to help teach ESL on Sunday afternoons. Volunteers serve on a six-week rotation. If you would like to serve with the ESL ministry as a helper or as a backup, please email the ESL coordinator Elizabeth Cunningham at ESL@elbuenpastorpc.org.

Interested in Joining Providence?

All who are interested in joining or just learning more about PPC are encouraged to email Allyson Crow at office@providencedallas.com for more details regarding joining Providence.

Small Groups

If you are interested in being part of a regular small group meeting that provides for ongoing fellowship and encouragement, contact Eric Micek at ericmicek@gmail.com.

Ebonee Thomas, flute
Elise Belk, oboe
Chastine Hofmeister, clarinet
Laura Cameron, bassoon
Jason Hofmeister, horn

Table with 4 columns: Name, Title, Phone Number, and Email Address. Includes David Rea (Pastor), Nate Libby (Youth Pastor), Alyson Averitt (Women's Ministry), Kristi Breed (Children's Ministry), Allyson Crow (Ministry Coordinator), Dorothy Edwards (Church Accountant), Jonathan Smith (Worship Coordinator), Jill Smith (Pianist), and Dave Clelland (Minister in Residence).



Ruling Elders

Graham Averitt, Jeff Crow, Tom McCabe
Wes Boyd, John Heath, Grant Simmons
Michael Breed, Joshua Kipp

Deacons

Raegan Barringer, Kyle Gunter, Will Schoellkopf
Dan Bowers, Randy McCabe, David Sibley
Teddy Chu, Jack Mechem, Price Wagner
T.J. Edwards, Casey Plummer

PRAYER OF INVOCATION AND ADORATION*

CONFESSION OF FAITH

a responsive reading from 1 Corinthians 1.26-31

Minister: Brothers, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth.

All: But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. He chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things so that no one may boast before him.

Minister: It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God – that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.

All: Therefore, as it is written: "Let him who boasts boast in the Lord."

SONG OF PRAISE

Before the Throne of God

BANCROFT COOK

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea.
A great high Priest whose Name is Love who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands, my name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
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When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free.
For God the just is satisfied to look on Him and pardon me,
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, my perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I AM, the King of glory and of grace,
One with Himself I cannot die. My soul is purchased with His blood,
My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God!

PUBLIC CONFESSION OF SIN

adapted from Prone to Wander: Prayers of Confession and Celebration

Minister: Let us confess our sins before our righteous and holy God.

All: Heavenly Father, this morning we come to you confessing that our lives are often overloaded with worry. We are a people frequently consumed with anxiety about tomorrow. And though our real needs have always been met, we fear that a day will come when you will not provide. Forgive us and remind us that you have met our truest and greatest need through the person and work of Jesus Christ. Help us to find peace, hope, and rest in Him. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

PRIVATE CONFESSION OF SIN

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalms 32:5

I acknowledged my sin to You, and my iniquity I did not hide. I said, "I will confess my transgression to the Lord. And You did forgive the guilt of my sin."

NEW MEMBER VOWS

*Amelia Capo
Tiffany and Carson DeBerry (Carley)
Jeanette and Chuck Green
Sydney Kelly
Sybil and Indrajit Ponnambalam (Kate)
Patricia and Dick Remke
Christy Williamson*

INTERCESSORY AND OFFERTORY PRAYER

Ruling Elder, Mr. Grant Simmons

MUSICAL OFFERING

*Children's Time
During the musical offering, children in kindergarten through 3rd grade and their teachers may exit the sanctuary through the north doors of the sanctuary. Teachers will return with the children during the hymn of response. Parents may meet them by the north entrance or children may join their parents at their seats.*

SCRIPTURE READING*

Exodus 1.1-22

¹ These are the names of the sons of Israel who came to Egypt with Jacob, each with his household: ² Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah, ³ Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin, ⁴ Dan and Naphtali, Gad and Asher. ⁵ All the descendants of Jacob were seventy persons; Joseph was already in Egypt. ⁶ Then Joseph died, and all his brothers and all that generation. ⁷ But the people of Israel were fruitful and increased greatly; they multiplied and grew exceedingly strong, so that the land was filled with them.

⁸ Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹ And he said to his people, "Behold, the people of Israel are too many and too mighty for us. ¹⁰ Come, let us deal shrewdly with them, lest they multiply, and, if war breaks out, they join our enemies and fight against us and escape from the land." ¹¹ Therefore they set taskmasters over them to afflict them with heavy burdens. They built for Pharaoh store cities, Pithom and Raamses. ¹² But the more they were oppressed, the more they multiplied and the more they spread abroad. And the Egyptians were in dread of the people of Israel. ¹³ So they ruthlessly made the people of Israel work as slaves ¹⁴ and made their lives bitter with hard service, in mortar and brick, and in all kinds of work in the field. In all their work they ruthlessly made them work as slaves.

¹⁵ Then the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, ¹⁶ "When you serve as midwife to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, you shall kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live." ¹⁷ But the midwives feared God and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live. ¹⁸ So the king of Egypt called the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and let the male children live?" ¹⁹ The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." ²⁰ So God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied and grew very strong. ²¹ And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. ²² Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall cast into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live."

SERMON

A Clear and Present Danger

Rev. David Rea

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nursing & Comforting Rooms for Families during Worship Hour

Providence has both a nursing and a comforting room for families. These rooms are fully equipped with a sound system and volume control that allows for the service to be heard perfectly. The nursing room, around the corner from the children's desk, has a changing station and privacy blinds. The comfort (& joy) room, #124, has a bin of toys and books to accommodate toddlers and other children who could be a disturbance in service and is in the same hallway as the church offices. We encourage families to make use of these rooms as they are intended to be a help to all church attendees in allowing the Word of the Lord to be clearly heard and reflected upon during worship.

Worship activity bags for children are located on hooks by the benches in the north sanctuary lobby.

During the cup
Instrumental

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

CLOSING HYMN*

Jesus is Lord

GETTY AND TOWNEND

“Jesus is Lord!”—the cry that echoes through creation:
Resplendent pow’r, eternal Word, our rock.
The Son of God, the King whose glory fills the heavens,
Yet bids us come to taste this living bread.

Jesus is Lord—Whose voice sustains the stars and planets,
Yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown.
Jesus the Man, who washed our feet, who bore our suffering,
Became a curse to bring salvation’s plan.

“Jesus is Lord!”—a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,
As He returns, and ev’ry knee bows low.
Then ev’ry eye and ev’ry heart will see His glory,
The Judge of all will take His children home.

BENEDICTION*

Numbers 6:24-26

Minister: The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

HYMN OF RESPONSE*

In Christ Alone

GETTY AND TOWNEND

In Christ alone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all — here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, Who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev’ry sin on Him was laid — here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!
And as He stands in victory, sin’s curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine, bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death — this is the pow’r of Christ in me;
From life’s first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow’r of hell, no scheme of man, can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home — here in the pow’r of Christ I’ll stand.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD’S TABLE

All those who trust in Christ alone for their salvation, are baptized, and belong to a Bible believing church are invited to partake of the Lord’s Supper together, feeding on the grace of God by faith. If you have not put your trust in Christ, please allow the elements to pass you by and take this opportunity to meditate on the meaning of the Gospel.

A word to parents: *Baptized children are invited to the table after they have made a profession of faith and been received as communing members by the Session of the church to which their parents belong.*

Please hold the bread, and we will partake together. Please drink the cup as you receive it.
The outer ring is grape juice and the inner rings are wine.

During the bread

He Will Hold Me Fast

MERKER

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold through life’s fearful path;
For my love is often cold; He must hold me fast.

*Chorus: He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in his holy sight, He will hold me fast.
He’ll not let my soul be lost; His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

Chorus

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied; He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast
‘Till our faith is turned to sight, When He comes at last!

Chorus