

Providence Presbyterian Church

“KNOWING CHRIST AND MAKING HIM KNOWN”



November 29, 2020

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Home Liturgy

The Invitation

From Hebrews 4

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Moment of Quiet

Prayer

- Pray for a yearning to know God and the diligence to seek him.
- Pray for the fullness of the Spirit of Christ.
- Pray for family members and friends that don't know the Lord.
- Pray for the current crisis we are in. Pray for all of our medical workers, our policeman, our first responders, and those in government.

Reading from Psalms

Psalm 147

- [1] Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God;
for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.
- [2] The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.
- [3] He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.
- [4] He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.
- [5] Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.
- [6] The Lord lifts up the humble; he casts the wicked to the ground.
- [7] Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make melody to our God on the lyre!
- [8] He covers the heavens with clouds; he prepares rain for the earth;
he makes grass grow on the hills.
- [9] He gives to the beasts their food, and to the young ravens that cry.
- [10] His delight is not in the strength of the horse, nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,
- [11] but the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.
- [12] Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise your God, O Zion!
- [13] For he strengthens the bars of your gates; he blesses your children within you.
- [14] He makes peace in your borders; he fills you with the finest of the wheat.
- [15] He sends out his command to the earth; his word runs swiftly.
- [16] He gives snow like wool; he scatters frost like ashes.
- [17] He hurls down his crystals of ice like crumbs; who can stand before his cold?
- [18] He sends out his word, and melts them;
he makes his wind blow and the waters flow.

[19] He declares his word to Jacob, his statutes and rules to Israel.

[20] He has not dealt thus with any other nation; they do not know his rules.

Praise the Lord!

Old Testament Reading

Malachi 4

For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. [2] But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. [3] And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

[4] “Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

[5] “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. [6] And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

A Moment of Quiet

Dwelling

Read slowly again... Find a word or a phrase that catches your eye or moves your heart.... slowly repeat it... pray your thoughts, desires, needs and feelings from your meditation... Enjoy the presence of your Lord and Savior.

Hymns and Songs

If you have the ability to play an instrument, play a few songs and sing to the Lord.
Or if you can just play some music, pick 1, 2, or even 3 songs and sing to the Lord.
Or if you are using our online video, you can begin with music there.

Confess What is True

We believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
begotten from the Father before all ages,
God from God,
Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made;
of the same essence as the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven;
he became incarnate
by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and was made human.
He was crucified for us
under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered and was buried.
The third day he rose again, according to
the Scriptures.
He ascended to heaven
and is seated at
the right hand of the Father.
He will come again with glory
to judge the living and the dead.
His kingdom will never end.

Nicene Creed

And we believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life.
He proceeds from the Father and the Son,
and with the Father and the Son
is worshiped and glorified.
He spoke through the prophets.
We believe in one holy
catholic and apostolic church.
We affirm one baptism
for the forgiveness of sins.
We look forward
to the resurrection of the dead,
and to life in the world to come.
Amen.

Confession of Sin

Gracious God, we confess that we have longed too much for the comforts of this world. We have loved the gifts more than the giver. In your mercy, help us to see that all the things we long for are shadows, but you are unchanging; that they are quicksands, but you are unshifting; that they are shifting, but you are unmoving. We plead your forgiveness on the merits of Jesus Christ. Accept his worthiness for our unworthiness, his sinlessness for our transgressions, his fullness for our emptiness, his glory for our shame, his righteousness for our dead works, his death for our life. We pray in Jesus's name. Amen

The Assurance of Grace

Matthew 1:20-21

“But as he considered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.”

A Moment of Quiet

Sermon

A Call to Come Home

Bryce Davis

Luke 1:5-25

Prayer

Our Father,
Who is in heaven,
 hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
 Your will be done,
 on earth,
 as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses
 as we forgive those that have trespassed against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
 and the power
 and the glory forever
Amen

Blessing

*God demonstrates his own love for us in this:
While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.*

Romans 5:8

Weekly Calendar and Prayer Guide

Scripture Readings for the week:
Proverbs 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Missionary Family: The Chambers

Prayer Family: Carolyn Withers

Sister Church: Scooba Presbyterian

Elder on Call: John Spears

Deacon on Duty: David Reeves

Sunday: Choir Practice - 4:15pm
No evening worship

Tuesday: Men's Prayer - 6:45am
Choir Practice - 7pm

Wednesday: Youth Group - 6pm

Sick, Surgeries, and Recovering

- Pray for Jack East as he recovers from radiation treatment and Rosemary as she cares for him.
- Pray for Dot Rosamond as she continues to regain her strength.
- Pray for Janie Melton as she is struggling with poor health and lack of strength.
- Pray for Inez Burris' daughter, Deborah Montgomery, in her battle against cancer.
- Pray for Allen Stanton, pastor of Pinehaven Presbyterian in Clinton.
- Pray for Lucy Kathryn Davis and for Bryce and Anna Grace as Lucy has surgery on her skull December 4.

Announcements

Memorial Poinsettias

There's a sign up sheet in the foyer for those who wish to purchase a memorial poinsettia. These will be used to decorate the sanctuary during the holiday season. The cost is \$18. You may have multiple names of those you wish to be remembered, but will purchase only the plant for family unless otherwise noted. Please send your check or money to Emily Reeves or Bess Malin before December 2. Thank you.

No Sunday Evening Worship Tonight

There will be no Evening Worship tonight. We will resume next week.

Circle I

A basket has been placed in the narthex for Friends of Alcoholics.
Last day for collection is Sunday, Dec 13.

Christmas Cantata

The choir will present a service of Scripture and anthems during the morning worship service Sunday, December 13 at 10:30. We hope to return to the evening candlelight service next year. Please join us for an abbreviated service as we usher in the Christmas season in song.

Christmas(k) Pageant

The children of Providence will be having their annual Christmas pageant on Sunday, December 20th at 6:00pm. Our young participants will be provided with festive masks for the occasion. For more details, contact Bryce Davis (bryce@ppcpca.com) or Albrey Oates.

Text and Online Giving

For text giving, text "Give" to 601-203-4606; For giving online, go to www.providenceclinton.org

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