



PROVIDENCE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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TO REACH A COMMUNITY

a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

September 1, 2024

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 9:1-2

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds. I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

All Creatures of Our God and King

Song

This I Believe

Song

Opening Prayer

CONFESSING OUR SINS TOGETHER

Mark 10:42-45

Jesus called them to him and said to them, "You know that those who are considered rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Holy Father, we confess that we may approach you with our mouths and our lips, when our hearts are not in worship. We confess that we offer to you that which costs us little. Though you are a great King, we often bring to you the leftovers of our time, energy, gifts, and worship. We have neglected your commands when they are inconvenient. We have ignored your laws when they cause us discomfort. We have disregarded our neighbors' needs, and complained when others do not meet our needs.

O Father, have mercy on us! Forgive us of our many debts! Cleanse us and give us the mind and heart of Jesus, who came not to be served but to serve and to give His life a ransom for many. In His name, and for His sake, we come to you. Amen.

REJOICING IN OUR FORGIVENESS

Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Run and Run

Song

Almost Home

Song

Prayers of Praise & Thanksgiving

Elder Roy Van Camp

Giving of Tithes & Offerings

Speak, O Lord

Song

HEARING GOD'S WORD TOGETHER

The Gospel According to Titus

Titus 1. 2-5a

From Disorder to Order

Rev. Mark Fodale

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Song

CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER TOGETHER

Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed

Song

Benediction

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in^[a] the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

SCRIPTURE READING

Titus 1. 1-5a (English Standard Version)

Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the sake of the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness, ²in hope of eternal life, which God, who never lies, promised before the ages began ³and at the proper time manifested in his word through the preaching with which I have been entrusted by the command of God our Savior;

⁴To Titus, my true child in a common faith:

Grace and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Savior.

⁵This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order ...

The Gospel According to Titus
Titus 1. 1-5a
From Disorder to Order

I. An Introduction to the Man

"... my partner and fellow worker for your benefit ..."
2 Corinthians 8.23

II. An Introduction to the Letter

A. Paul's identity (1a)

"... a servant ... and an apostle..."

B. Paul's ministry (1b)

"... which accords with godliness..."

C. Paul's message (vs. 2-3)

1. The _____ of the gospel
2. The _____ of the gospel
3. The _____ of the gospel

III. Our Response

A. Faithful preaching

B. Godly living

SERMON QUOTES & REFERENCES:

Titus was the man for a tough assignment. Titus had proven to have the strength of mind & the toughness of fiber that enabled him to face & handle a difficult situation.

There are two kinds of people. There are the people who can make a bad situation worse, and there are people who can bring order out of chaos & peace out of strife. Titus was the man to send to the place where there was trouble. It seemed clear that he had no great gift of speech, but it was equally clear that he was the man for practical ministry. The Church ought to thank God for the people to whom we turn when we need to have a tough & thankless job done, and have it done well.

William Barclay, Barclay's Daily Study Bible

We must be holy, because this is the one grand end & purpose for which Christ came into the world. Jesus is a complete Savior. He does not merely take away the guilt of a believer's sin, He does more – He breaks its power. My fear is that as we rightly celebrate, and in some quarters rediscover, all that Christ saved us *from*, we will give little thought & make little effort concerning all that Christ saved us *to*, which is holiness.

JC Ryle, Holiness

PROVIDENCE ACTIVITIES

September 1, 2024

Task Schedule	This Week	Next Week
Greeting Upper-Level.....	Christiansen/Weber	Beatrice/Ribeiro
Greeting Lower-Level.....	Farrar	Smith/Cuomo
Coffee Fellowship Host	Landiak/Wilsey	Manyok
Nursery.....	A. Manyok/T. Jarratt	K. Landis/S. Fodale
Nursery Helper	E. Lacock/N. Wesner	Aidan Lacock/Jonah Landis
Sound Booth.....	Nick H. (B) / Jonah F. (L)	James F. (B) / Justin H.. (L)
Deacon of the Month.....	Jonathan Waltenbaugh	Jonathan Waltenbaugh

This Week:

- Sunday..... Shepherding group meetings for Steve, Paul & Jonathan at various times and places.
..... B & C Lacock HFG gathering, 12:45 p.m. at Lacock’s home in QT
..... 3D Youth Group, 6:00 p.m. at church
Tuesday Session Meeting, 6:00 p.m. at church
..... Elder’s Wives prayer meeting, 6:00 p.m.
..... Fryauff’s HFG, 6:30 p.m. at their home in East Greenville
Thursday..... Bible Study on the Gospel of Mark, 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Future:

- Sept 29 *God, Politics and the Church*, 6 pm in the sanctuary*
Oct. 5 Harvest Fest, Costume Party, 4:00 p.m. at the Pavilion
Nov. 2 Men’s Fall Conference at Providence. More details to come!

Announcements:

Women’s Retreat October 11-12, 2024. Join us for a weekend of fun together! The retreat at the Ladore Retreat Center in Waymart PA is for all Provi women 18+. Cost \$50.00 per person. Please RSVP by 10/6/24 if you are able to attend.

If any individuals or families are interested in starting a **Home Fellowship Group** in your home, please call or email Bill Miles to receive more information on serving the Lord and His Body in this vital caring ministry! Contact info for Bill 267-374-8420- or email: mbmiles417@comcast.net. *“Not neglecting to meet together...but encourage one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”* Is the Lord calling you to facilitate/host an HFG?

* Join us Sunday evening, **Sept. 29th 6-7 p.m.** in the sanctuary. ***God, Politics and the Church.*** In the midst of another election season, come and learn as Pastor Mark shows us what God’s Word says about...*The Role of Government, The Place of Politics, Our Call as Christians, Our Responsibility as Citizens.*

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