



PROVIDENCE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 19, 2025

The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

THE LORD'S DAY

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Welcome and Announcements

RE Tom Sell

Preparation for Worship

* CALL TO WORSHIP - RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 84:1-12

¹How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

²**My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**

³Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.

⁴**Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!**

⁵Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

⁶**As they go through the Valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.**

⁷They go from strength to strength;
each one appears before God in Zion.

⁸**O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob!**

⁹Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed!

¹⁰**For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.**

**I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.**

¹¹For the Lord God is a sun and shield;
the Lord bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does he withhold
from those who walk uprightly.

¹²**O Lord of hosts,
blessed is the one who trusts in you!**

*** HYMN OF PRAISE 115**

All Creatures of Our God and King

Words: Francis of Assisi, 1225. Tune: LASST UNS ERFREUEN, *Geistliche kirchengesänge*, 1623.

All you have made will praise you, O LORD; your saints will extol you. Ps. 145:10



1. All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing al-le-
2. Thou rush-ing wind that art so strong, ye clouds that sail in heav'n a - long, O
3. Thou flow-ing wa - ter, pure and clear, make mu - sic for thy Lord to hear, al-le-
4. And all ye men of ten-der heart, for - giv - ing oth-ers, take your part, O
5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, and wor-ship him in hum-ble-ness, O



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou burn-ing sun with gold - en beam, thou
 praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Thou ris - ing morn in praise re - joice, ye
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Thou fire, so mas-ter - ful and bright, that
 sing ye, al - le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and sor - row bear, praise
 praise him, al - le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa-ther, praise the Son, and



sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam,
 lights of eve-ning, find a voice,
 giv - est man both warmth and light, O praise him, O praise him, al - le -
 God and on him cast your care,
 praise the Spir - it, three in one,



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

*** PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

Rev. John D. Bennett

*Congregation Standing ◦ **Bold body of text recited together.**

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Almighty and most merciful Father,
 we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.
 We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
 We have offended against your holy laws.
 We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
 and we have done those things which we ought not to have done,
 and there is no health in us.
 But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.
 Spare those, O God, who confess their faults.
 Restore those who are repentant,
 according to your promises declared to mankind, in Christ Jesus our Lord.
 And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
 that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
 to the glory of your holy name. – Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDONING GRACE

Isaiah 53:4-6

Minister: *For all who have confessed their sins and have fled to Christ for mercy,
 hear this word of assurance:*

⁴Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows;
 yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

⁵But he was pierced for our transgressions;
 he was crushed for our iniquities;
 upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
 and with his wounds we are healed.

⁶All we like sheep have gone astray;
 we have turned – every one – to his own way;
 and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

* HYMN OF THANKSGIVING 457

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Words: Robert Robinson, 1758. Tune: NETTLETON, Asahel Nettleton, 1825.

1. Come Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
 Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise
 Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
 Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.
3. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

*** CHILDREN'S CATECHISM**

From: First Catechism ~ Teaching Children Bible Truths

Question 102: *What does the eighth commandment teach you?*

Answer: **Not to take anything that belongs to someone else.**

Question 103: *What is the ninth commandment?*

Answer: **The ninth commandment is "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor." (NKJV)**

Question 104: *What does the ninth commandment teach you?*

Answer: **Never to lie, but to tell the truth at all times.**

*** CONFESSION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried; He descended into hell;†
the third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty.
from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,‡
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. – Amen.**

†We believe Christ suffered the wrath of God for our sins while He was on the cross.
While His body was in the grave for three days, His Spirit was with the Father in heaven (Luke 23:43,46).

‡The word "Catholic" means *universal* or *whole*.
It is not specifically referring to the Roman church, but all believers throughout the world.

RESPONDING TO THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND LORD'S PRAYER

RE Dr. Jeremy Dalton

**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.**

Interlude

SERMON

Rev. John D. Bennett

Mark 10:32-45

³²And they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking ahead of them. And they were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. And taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, ³³saying, "See, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles. ³⁴And they will mock him and spit on him, and flog him and kill him. And after three days he will rise."

³⁵And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came up to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." ³⁶And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" ³⁷And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." ³⁸Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" ³⁹And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized, ⁴⁰but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." ⁴¹And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant at James and John. ⁴²And 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. ⁴³But it shall not be so among you. But whoever would be great among you must be your servant, ⁴⁴and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. ⁴⁵For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Minister: *The Word of the Lord!*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

*** HYMN OF RESPONSE 283**

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Words: Christopher Wordsworth, 1862. Tune: EBENEZER, Thomas John Williams, 1890.

Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. 1 Cor. 15:20



1. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Hearts to
 2. Christ is ris - en, Christ the first - fruits of the
 3. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Glo - ry

heav'n and voic - es raise; sing to God a
 ho - ly har - vest field, which will all its
 be to God on high; al - le - lu - ia

hymn of glad - ness, sing to God a hymn of praise;
 full a - bun - dance at his sec - ond com - ing yield:
 to the Sav - ior, who has won the vic - to - ry;

he who on the cross a vic - tim for the
 then the gold - en ears of har - vest will their
 al - le - lu - ia to the Spir - it, fount of

world's sal - va - tion bled, Je - sus Christ, the
 heads be - fore him wave, rip - ened by his
 love and sanc - ti - ty. Al - le - lu - ia!

King of glo - ry, now is ris - en from the dead.
 glo - rious sun - shine from the fur - rows of the grave.
 Al - le - lu - ia to the Tri - une Maj - es - ty.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Please see *Celebrating the Lord's Supper at Providence* on page 10 of the bulletin.

The Great Thanksgiving†

Minister: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And with your spirit.**

Minister: *Lift up your hearts!*

People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: *Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.*

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Minister: *It is indeed good and right and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name; evermore praising You and saying:*

People: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Glory be to You, O Lord Most High!**

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: *The gifts of God for the people of God.*

*Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,
and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.*

The Invitation to the Lord's Table†

The Words of Institution

†Ushers will escort congregants to the communion table during the **Hymn of Communion**. Please take the elements back to your seat. After **The Words of Institution**, we will partake together.

‡*The Great Thanksgiving*, includes the *Sursum Corda* (Latin for "lift up your hearts," which dates back to the early 3rd century). The *Sursum Corda* calls us to be heavenly minded while we are summoned into the Lord's presence. Variations of this first phrase can be found in the liturgies of Augustine, Calvin, Knox, and Bucer. Being spiritually lifted into the throne room of Christ, we join the angels in worship, proclaiming "Holy, Holy, Holy" (Isaiah 6:3, Revelation 4:8).

HYMN OF COMMUNION

He Will Hold Me Fast

Words: Ada Habershon, 1861-1918. Alternate Words and Music: Matt Merker. ©2013,

1. 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.

2. 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

3. 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

* DOXOLOGY

Old Hundredth - Hymn 731

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
praise him, all creatures here below:
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost - Amen.

* BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

²³Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely,
and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless
at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
²⁴He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

Sunday School

- ❖ Sunday School meets weekly from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Classes are available for all ages. Adult classes include:
 - **Union with Christ – Living Out Our Identity in Jesus:** Larry LaFreniere, Teacher, Room 10
 - **The Book of Isaiah:** Jeremy Dalton, Teacher, Room 11

Events This Week

- ❖ **Morning Women's Bible Study** meets Mondays from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Child care is provided.
- ❖ **Morning Men's Group** meets Tuesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ **Youth Large Group** meets Wednesdays from 5:45 to 7:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Covenant Kids** will meet this Wednesday from 5:45 to 7:30 p.m.
- ❖ **Community Groups** will meet this Wednesday, and next Sunday, October 26.

Upcoming Events

- ❖ **Evening Women's Bible Study** will meet Wednesday, October 29, at 5:45 p.m. Child care and dinner are provided.
- ❖ **Inquirers' Class:** Saturday, November 1, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
- ❖ **The Monthly Congregation-Wide Fellowship Lunch** will be Sunday, November 2, following the morning worship.

Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at Texas Tech

- ❖ Large Group meetings are Wednesday at 8:00 p.m. Raegan Watkins is the RUF intern. *RUF Pastor Search in process.*

Providence Weekly

- ❖ To receive the weekly Providence email newsletter, subscribe by entering your email at the bottom of the Home page at the church's website (www.providencepca.org).

Meal Ministry

- ❖ **Shared Joy, Shared Pain, Shared Meal:** The women of Providence bring meals to people in the church as needed, such as births, deaths, hospitalizations, and illnesses. If you can provide meals or if you need a meal, contact Wendy Wilkerson, WendyInIdalou@gmail.com, or 806-831-5447.
 - Meal requests are registered at: www.TakeThemAMeal.com.

Nursery

... **is available during worship for children 5 and under**, although babies and children are welcomed and valued in our service. However, in order to facilitate a restful and reverent worship for all who enter, parents are encouraged to take advantage of the many resources we have available for children who become noisy or fussy.

- (1) A cry room with a live stream of the service is set up in Room 1, across the hall from the nursery, located at the west side of the building.
- (2) Snacks and coloring pages are located along the back wall of the sanctuary.
- (3) Children's Bulletins are located on the back table of the sanctuary.

Feel free to ask an usher or congregant for help in locating any of these helpful resources.

Ushers

❖ *Serving today*

- Levi Myers ◦ John Haley
Larry LaFreniere ◦ Peter Griffith

❖ *Serving next Sunday*

- Jason Mulkey ◦ Ryan Henry
Tom Nicholson ◦ Trace Hunt

Nursery

❖ *Serving today*

- **Infant/Toddler:** Amanda Castner ◦ Alisha Donet ◦ Rose Mulkey
Elizabeth Stewart ◦ Cana Dalton ◦ Selah Dalton

❖ *Serving next Sunday*

- **Infant/Toddler** Rachel Myers ◦ Alexis Bingham ◦ Emily Myers
Brianna Bingham ◦ Cate Myers ◦ Wyatt Myers

Celebrating the Lord's Supper at Providence

The Lord Jesus Christ is present with us by his Spirit at this table, so in His name we invite everyone who trusts Him for salvation and is a baptized member in a church which faithfully proclaims His gospel. However, we are warned not to partake if you do not trust Him or if you are living in unrepentant sin; instead, please let the bread and the cup pass by (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Rather, turn to Him in repentance and faith, so you may join in this glad and holy celebration of His saving death and resurrection life for all His people. Children who have made a public profession of faith and been received as members by the leadership of their church are also invited to the table. Children who have not yet made such a profession are asked to let the bread and the cup pass. We use wine in the Supper, but the outer ring of the tray is grape juice; we also hold the elements until everyone is served. Let us rejoice together in Him!

Prayers of Meditation for Those Not Participating in Communion

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and show me the reality of who You are. – *Amen*.

Prayer of Belief

Heavenly Father, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I deserved. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Jesus to be my Lord and Savior. – *Amen*.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, help me to look to You as the fulfillment of all my needs, and to turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. – *Amen*.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. – *Amen*.

ESV Daily Bible Reading Plan for Week of October 19-25, 2025

<i>Date</i>	<i>Psalms/Wisdom</i>	<i>Pentateuch/History</i>	<i>Chronicles/Prophets</i>	<i>Gospels/Epistles</i>
10/19	Psalms 79	1 Kings 12:16-33	Ezekiel 41-42	Romans 11
10/20	Psalms 80	1 Kings 13	Ezekiel 43	Romans 12
10/21	Psalms 81	1 Kings 14:1-20	Ezekiel 44	Romans 13
10/22	Psalms 82	1 Kings 14:21 - 15:24	Ezekiel 45	Romans 14
10/23	Psalms 83	1 Kings 15:25 - 16:34	Ezekiel 46	Romans 15:1-13
10/24	Psalms 84	1 Kings 17	Ezekiel 47:1-12	Romans 15:14-33
10/25	Psalms 85	1 Kings 18:1-19	Ezekiel 47:13 - 48:35	Romans 16

Sermon Notes

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Purpose Statement

Providence Presbyterian Church aims to worship and serve the one true and living God through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, and to bring the good news of salvation in Christ to all people in Lubbock, West Texas, and the world. In doing this we will encourage and equip believers to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, and to grow in our love for one another and our neighbors; all the while endeavoring to know, live, and speak the love, joy, peace, hope, and truth of God's word revealed to us in the Scriptures.

The Session

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Chris Kramedjian, *Ruling Elder*
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*for more information on serving on one of these teams
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