

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP - April 14th, 2024—11:00 a.m.

Song of Ascent

Psalm 73 (Surely God Is Good)

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

From All That Dwell Below the Skies (#7)

**Please stand if you are able.*

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 33:18-22

LEADER: The eyes of the LORD are on those who fear him,

PEOPLE: on those whose hope is in his unfailing love.

LEADER: to deliver them from death and keep them alive in famine.

PEOPLE: We wait in hope for the LORD; he is our help and our shield.

LEADER: In him our hearts rejoice, for we trust in his holy name.

**PEOPLE: May your unfailing love rest upon us, O LORD,
even as we put our hope in you.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE O Great God**

**1. O great God of highest heaven
Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme
Conquer every rebel power
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me
Make me Yours forevermore**

**3. Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised
With my every thought and deed
O great God of highest heaven
Glorify Your Name through me.**

**2. I was blinded by my sin
Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within
Had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life
Opened up Your Word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace**

**Music and words by Bob Kauflin.
Based on The Valley of Vision prayer "Regeneration."
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***INVOCATION**

GOD INVITES US TO THE MEANS OF GRACE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Westminster Confession of Faith 14.3

14.3. [The grace of faith] is different in degrees, weak or strong; may be often and many ways assailed, and weakened, but gets the victory: growing up in many to the attainment of a full assurance, through Christ, who is both the author and finisher of our faith.

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

1 John 2:16-17

“For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and pride of life—is not from the Father but is from the world. And the world is passing away along with its desires, but whoever does the will of God abides forever.”

SILENT AND PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:5-7

“This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.”

SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 11:1-5

OFFERTORY

In Christ Alone (Getty)

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!, #600*

SERMON

Psalm 73
“Trial of Faith”

David Hina

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Why Should Cross and Trial Grieve Me?, #609*

GOD BLESSES US & SENDS US OUT

*BENEDICTION

Jude 24-25

*Closing Hymn *In Sweet Communion, Lord, with Thee, #657, v.4*

POSTLUDE

He Leadeth Me (#600)