

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP - July 23rd, 2023—11:00 a.m.

Song of Ascent

Across the Lands (Getty)

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Be Still My Soul (#689)

*Please stand if you are able.

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 113

LEADER: Praise the Lord!

PEOPLE: **Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!**

LEADER: Who is like the Lord our God,
who is seated on high,
who looks far down
on the heavens and the earth?

PEOPLE: **He raises the poor from the dust
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
to make them sit with princes,
with the princes of his people.**

ALL: **Praise the Lord!**

*HYMN OF PRAISE *God, the Lord, a King Remaineth, #64*

*INVOCATION

GOD INVITES US TO THE MEANS OF GRACE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

ALL: ***We believe* in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

***We believe* in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He 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 at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

We 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. **universal*

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

James 4:17

“So whoever knows the right thing to do and fails to do it, for him it is sin.”

SILENT AND PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 53:5-6

“But 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.”

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 10:26-33

OFFERTORY

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *God Moves in a Mysterious Way, #128*

SERMON

Ecclesiastes 11:1-6
“Faith in God’s Sovereignty”

Rev. Paul Meiners

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *Across the Lands*

GOD BLESSES US & SENDS US OUT

*BENEDICTION

Ephesians 3:20-21

“Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”

*Closing Hymn *Doxology, #731*

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;**

**Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.**

POSTLUDE

For the Cause (Getty)

God, the Lord, a King Remaineth

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The LORD reigns, He is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and is armed with strength. Ps. 93:1

Capo 1: ♮ (A)

1. God, the Lord, a King re-main-eth, robed in his own glo-ri-ous light;
 2. In her ev-er-last-ing sta-tion earth is poised, to swerve no more:
 3. Lord, the wa-ter-floods have lift-ed, o-cean floods have lift their roar;
 4. With all tones of wa-ters blend-ing, glo-ri-ous is the break-ing deep;
 5. Lord, the words thy lips are tell-ing are the per-fect ver-i-ty:

God hath robed him and he reign-eth; he hath gird-ed him with might.
 thou hast laid thy throne's foun-da-tion from all time where thought can soar.
 • now they pause where they have drift-ed, now they burst up-on the shore.
 glo-ri-ous, beau-teous with-out end-ing, God who reigns on heav'ns high steep.
 of thine high e-ter-nal dwell-ing ho-li-ness shall in-mate be.

Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! God is King in depth and height.
 Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Lord, thou art for-ev-er-more.
 • Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! For the o-cean's sound-ing store.
 Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Songs of o-cean nev-er sleep.
 Al-le-lu-ia! Al-le-lu-ia! Pure is all that lives with thee.

God Moves in a Mysterious Way

I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth.
Is. 42:16

1. God moves in a mys - te - rious way his won - ders to per - form;
2. Deep in un - fath - om - a - ble mines of nev - er - fail - ing skill
3. Ye fear - ful saints, fresh cour - age take; the clouds ye so much dread
4. Judge not the Lord by fee - ble sense, but trust him for his grace;

he plants his foot - steps in the sea, and rides up - on the storm.
he trea - sures up his bright de - signs, and works his sov - ereign will.
are big with mer - cy, and shall break in bless - ings on your head.
be - hind a frown - ing prov - i - dence he hides a smil - ing face.

5. His purposes will ripen fast,
unfolding ev'ry hour;
the bud may have a bitter taste,
but sweet will be the flow'r.

6. Blind unbelief is sure to err,
and scan his work in vain;
God is his own interpreter,
and he will make it plain.

You're the Word of God the Father

(Across the Lands)

Words and Music by
Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

Triumphant and Bold (♩. = 60)

G/A A⁷ D G D A G

1. You're the Word of God the Fat-her from be - fore the world be - gan; Ev - ery star and ev - ery
 2. Yet You left the gaze of an - gels, came to seek and save the lost and ex - changed the joy of
 3. With a shout You rose vic - tor - ious, wres - ting vic - t'ry from the grave and as - cend - ed in - to

6 D/F# Em⁷ G G/A A⁷ D G A⁷

pla - net has been fas - hioned by Your hand. All cre - a - tion holds to - get - her by the
 Heav - en for the an - guish of a cross. With a prayer You fed the hung - ry, with a
 Heav - en, lead - ing cap - tives in Your way. Now You stand be - fore the Fath - er, in - ter -

11 D A G D/F# Em⁷ G⁶

po - wer of Your voice. Let the skies de - clare Your glo - ry; let the land and seas re -
 word You calmed the sea; Yet how sil - ent - ly You suf - fered, that the guil - ty may go
 ced - ing for Your own; From each tribe and tongue and na - tion You are lead - ing sin - ners

Refrain

16 Asus A Asus A G D/F# G Aadd9 Bm Bm/A

joice.____
free.____ } You're the Au - thor of cre - a - tion,____ You're the Lord of ev - ery man,____ and Your
home.____

21 G G/A Bm7 A7 D A Gadd9

cry of love rings out a - cross the lands.

25 D A Gadd9 G/A A7 Gadd9 A7sus A7 D

2. Yet You
3. With a

Providence JULY Birthdays

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