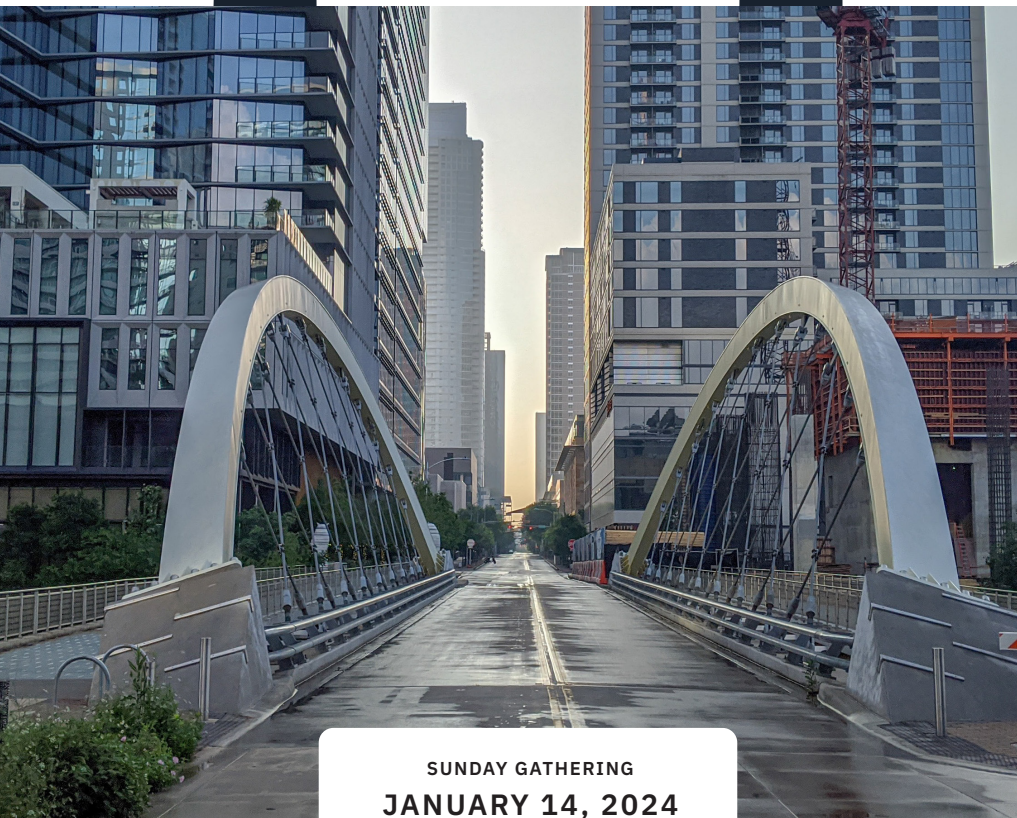


PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING
JANUARY 14, 2024

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 96:1-9

SONG | Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God, Almighty!

Early in the morning, our song shall rise to thee

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore thee

Casting down their golden crowns, around the glassy sea

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee

Which wert and art and evermore shall be

Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide thee

Though the eye of sinful man, thy glory may not see

Only thou art holy, there is none beside thee

Perfect in pow'r, in love and purity

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God, Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth and sky and sea

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

CONFESSION OF SIN

Most Holy God, we confess that often we have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will; we have broken your holy law; we have rebelled against your love. We have failed to steward our gifts for the good of others and for the building of your church. We have not loved our neighbors; we have not listened to the cry of the needy. Have mercy on us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Isaiah 43:1-3

SONG | How Firm a Foundation ◀

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord
Is laid for your faith in his excellent word
What more can he say than to you he hath said
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

Fear not, I am with thee, oh, be not dismayed
For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid
I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie
My grace, all-sufficient, will be thy supply
The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not, desert to his foes
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake
I'll never, no never, no never forsake

SONG | Only a Holy God ◀

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles? Only a Holy God!

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendor outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice? Only a Holy God!

Come and behold him, the One and the Only
Cry out, sing holy, forever a Holy God, come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire? What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated? Only a Holy God!

Who else could rescue me from my failing? Who else would offer his only Son?
Who else invites me to call him Father? Only a Holy God, only my Holy God!

PROFESSION OF FAITH | WCF Ch. 5 

We profess and affirm that God, the great Creator of all things, upholds, directs, disposes, and governs all creatures, actions, and things, from the greatest even to the least. He does this by His wise and holy providence, according to his infallible foreknowledge, and the free and immutable counsel of His own will, displaying the glory of His wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH 

READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD 

John 13:3-17 (pg. 846 in pew bibles)

COMMUNION 

The communion meal is a sign and seal of a believer's union with Christ. We invite all who have trusted in Christ and been baptized to partake in this meal. If you are still investigating Christianity or not sure what you believe, we invite you to observe during this time and further consider what these things mean.

SONG | Come Ye Sinners ◀

Come ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore
 Jesus ready stands to save you, full of mercy, love, and pow'r

Come ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorified
 True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh

I will arise and go to Jesus
 He will embrace me in his arms
 In the arms of my dear Savior
 Oh, there are ten thousand charms

Come ye weary, heavy-laden, lost and ruined by the fall
 If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all

SONG | Abide With Me ◀

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide
 The darkness deepens, Lord, with me abide
 When other helpers fail and comforts flee
 Help of the helpless, abide with me

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile
 And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile
 Thou hast not left me, though I oft left thee
 On to the close Lord, abide with me

I need thy presence, every passing hour
 What but thy grace, can foil the tempter's power?
 Who like thyself, my guide and stay can be?
 Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me

Hold thou thy cross, before my closing eyes
 Shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies
 Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee
 In life, in death, Lord, abide with me

SONG | O Praise the Name (Anástasis) ◀

I cast my mind to Calvary, where Jesus bled and died for me
I see his wounds, his hands his feet, my Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears, they laid him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God, O praise his Name, forevermore
For endless days we will sing your praise, O Lord, oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn, the Son of Heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting, the angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white, the blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints, my gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

BENEDICTION ▶

CONNECTIONS

GOSPEL COMMUNITIES



Gospel Communities (GCs) are the primary context in our church for discipleship, community, and missional life. They are smaller groups of people within Providence who are seeking to extend grace, speak truth, deal with conflict, meet needs, and invite others in. Groups meet throughout the week and across the city. Scan the QR code to see a full list of GCs or email gc@providenceaustin.com with any questions.

PROVIDENCE RECOVERY



Providence Recovery is a Christ-centered, twelve-step program designed to help people point each other to Jesus for healing. We do this by providing fellowship and accountability in applying Christian principles and practices to every area of life. Our weekly meetings start at 7:00pm in the Activity Center. Scan the QR code to read more about Recovery or email recovery@providenceaustin.com with any questions.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

We love students and we'd love to help you get connected to our church. Let's get coffee or meet up on campus. We have monthly social events where you can meet new people and weekly small groups to help you grow in your faith. Reach out to Alex at **214-707-7356** or alex@providenceaustin.com.

PROVIDENCE YOUTH

6th-12th grade students meet every other Sunday after church for food, fellowship, and Bible study. We also have monthly social events and discipleship opportunities. Email stephen@providenceaustin.com to get connected or for more info on upcoming events.

JOHN BIBLE STUDIES | STARTING JAN 16 & 17

Today is the last chance to sign up! This year, we will be studying The Upper Room Discourse in John 13-16, the text for our spring preaching series. Men will meet on Tuesday mornings (starting Jan. 16) and Women on Wednesday mornings (starting Jan. 17), both from 6:30-8:00am in the chapel at University Avenue. Breakfast tacos and coffee provided! Sign up at providenceaustin.com/johnstudy.

AUSTIN 3M MARATHON | SUNDAY • JAN 21

The 3M Half Marathon is this Sunday with the race ending right by University Avenue. Please give yourself plenty of time to get to service and recognize that MLK will not be accessible. Our normal parking off of Colorado St will not be available, so please access the AT&T parking garage from Guadalupe St.

GIVING

We desire that generous giving would be both an act of worship and display of the grace we receive through Christ. There are several ways to give financially to the mission of God through Providence Church:

- 1 You can place your cash and/or check donations in one of the two offering boxes located at the front of the sanctuary.
- 2 You can setup automatic withdraw from your bank account. Go to www.providenceaustin.com/give for more info on giving online.
- 3 You can donate stock: Email donations@providenceaustin.com.

