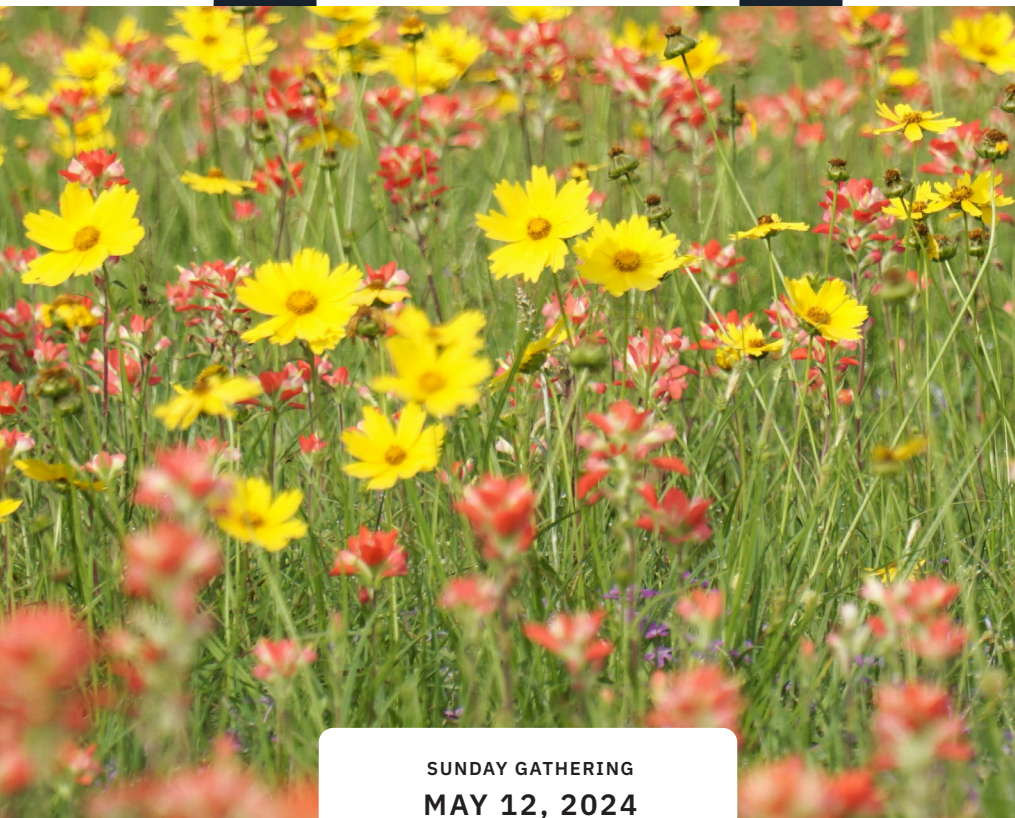


PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING
MAY 12, 2024

CALL TO WORSHIP ●

Psalm 95:1-7

SONG | **Great is Our God** ◀

Come let us praise him, let us kneel at the throne of our God
Through his Son, our salvation was bought, with mercy and grace
Come let us bow down, in his hands are the depths of the earth
With one voice we proclaim his great worth, Lord our God

And we will seek him, our Rock of Salvation
Morning by morning, with thanksgiving we come
And we will bow down, with creation we cry out
In daylight and darkness, we sing to the Lord

Great is our God, great is our God, great is our God

Lord of all nations, we will stand at the end of our days
In your courts and declare your great ways, in spirit and truth
We long for your kingdom, bring your thunder and gather the earth
All who tremble will tell of your worth, Lord our God

CONFESSION OF SIN ●

Gracious and merciful God, we confess to you that time after time we have entered your presence with countless prayers but with hearts that have been closed to your grace. We have lifted our hands to you in praise, but our feet have still walked in the ways of evil. We have rehearsed your commandments, but have refused to serve our neighbor. We humbly ask that you forgive our lack of faith and pardon our acts of injustice. Grant us the healing that comes from your presence and from the strength of your all-powerful Word, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON ●

Psalm 18:1-2, 6

SONG | Rock of Ages ◀

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee
 Let the water and the blood, from thy wounded side which flowed
 Be of sin the double cure, save from wrath and make me pure

Not the labor of my hands, can fulfill thy law's demands
 Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow
 All for sin could not atone, thou must save and thou alone

Hosanna! God save us!

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to the cross I cling
 Naked come to thee for dress, helpless look to thee for grace
 Foul I to the fountain fly, wash me, Savior, or I die

Wash me, Savior, or I die
 You've washed me, Savior, I'm alive

SONG | Psalm 62 ◀

My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my salvation
 A fortress strong against my foes, and I will not be shaken
 Though lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies like arrows pierce me
 I'll fix my heart on righteousness, I'll look to him who hears me

Find rest, my soul, in God alone, amid the world's temptations
 When evil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my salvation
 Though riches come and riches go, don't set your heart upon them
 The fields of hope in which I sow, are harvested in heaven

O praise him, hallelujah, my delight and my reward
 Everlasting, never failing, my redeemer, my God

I'll set my gaze on God alone, and trust in him completely
 With every day pour out my soul, and he will prove his mercy
 Though life is but a fleeting breath, a sigh too brief to measure
 My King has crushed the curse of death and I am his forever

O praise him, O praise him
 Hallelujah, hallelujah

PROFESSION OF FAITH | Adapted from Isaiah 26

We will trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord is the Rock eternal. He humbles those who dwell on high, he lays the lofty city low; he levels it to the ground and casts it down to the dust. He makes the way of the righteous smooth. We walk in the way of your laws, oh Lord, and we wait for you; your name and renown are the desire of our hearts. When your judgments come upon the earth, the people of the world learn righteousness. Lord, you establish peace for us; all that we have accomplished, you have done for us.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Torch Sunday (4th & 5th graders)

READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD

Revelation 2:18-29 (pg 966 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 | His Mercy is More ◀

What love could remember, no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What Father so tender is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

Praise the Lord! His mercy is more!
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, his mercy more

SONG | Steadfast ◀

I will build my house, whether storm or drought
On the rock that does not move
I will set my hope in your love, O Lord
And your faithfulness will prove

You are steadfast, steadfast

By the word you spoke, all the starry host are called out by name each night
In your watchful care I will rest secure, as you lead us with your light

I will not trust in the strength of kings, on your promise I will stand
I will shout for joy, I will raise my voice, hallelujah to the Lamb!

In the moment of emptiness, all was fulfilled
In the hour of darkness, your light was revealed
In the presence of death, your life was affirmed
In the absence of holiness, you are still God

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
Oh 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 ◻

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.

SUMMER ELECTIVES | BEGINNING IN JUNE

This summer we are once again offering multiple equipping opportunities. The classes start in June. Head to providenceaustin.com/summerelectives to learn more about each elective and to register.

PROVIDENCE EMAIL LIST

During this preaching series in Revelation, we will be sending out weekly devotionals written by members of our church. In addition to these devotionals, we send out weekly reminders, updates, and resources relevant to what is happening in the life of our church. We would love to keep you in the loop! To begin receiving emails from us, enter your information at providenceaustin.com/contact-us.

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.

