

PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING
SEPTEMBER 8, 2024

CALL TO WORSHIP ●

Hebrews 1:1-4

SONG | He Is Exalted / Doxology ◀

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high

I will praise Him

He is exalted, forever exalted

and I will praise His name!

For He is the Lord, forever His truth shall reign

Heaven and earth, rejoice in His holy name

He is exalted the King is exalted on high

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN ●

Gracious God, we gratefully remember the life of our Lord Jesus Christ on this earth. Yet we also acknowledge our failure to respond earnestly and faithfully to his witness. We confess that we have mistaken Jesus for a mere earthly king, friendly companion, or problem-solver, failing to honor him as the ruler of all creation. We do not appreciate the depth of his passion and sacrifice on the cross, and we fail to acknowledge him as our only way of salvation. We have not walked faithfully in the way of Jesus Christ. Forgive us, we pray, and bring us ever more fully into the joy of union with Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON ●

1 Timothy 1:15

SONG | Before the Throne of God Above


Before the throne of God above, I have a strong and perfect plea
 A great High Priest, whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me
 My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart
 I know that while in heaven he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair, and tells me of the guilt within
 Upward I look, and see him there, who made an end of all my sin
 Because the sinless Savior died, my sinful soul is counted free
 For God the Just is satisfied, to look on him and pardon me

Hallelujah! Hallelujah! Praise the One, risen Son of God!

Behold him there, the risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness
 The great unchangeable I Am, the King of glory and of grace
 One in himself, I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood
 My life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Savior and my God

SONG | Crown Him


Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne
 Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns, all music but its own
 Awake my soul and sing of him who died for me
 And hail him as the matchless King, throughout eternity

Oh crown him, crown him, Jesus, the Lord of life, the Lord of love, the Lord of all!

Crown him the Lord of life who triumphed o'er the grave
 And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save
 His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high
 Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die

Oh crown him, crown him, Jesus
 The Word made flesh, defeated death, when he rose
 The Crucified is seated high, upon his throne, upon his throne!

Crown him the Lord of love, behold his hands his side
 His wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified
 All hail redeemer hail, for he has died for me
 His praise and glory shall not fail, throughout eternity

PROFESSION OF FAITH | 1 Corinthians 15:1-6

This is the good news that we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures. We believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of the living God. Jesus Christ is the first and the last, the beginning and the end—he is our Lord and our God.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD

Mark 1:1-11 (pg 785 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 | Thy Mercy, My God ◀

Thy mercy, my God is the theme of my song
The joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue
Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last
Has won my affections and bound my soul fast

Without thy sweet mercy I could not live here
Sin would reduce me to utter despair
But through thy free goodness, my spirits revive
And he that first made me still keeps me alive

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart
Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart
Dissolved by thy goodness, I fall to the ground
And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found

Great Father of mercies, thy goodness I own
And the covenant love of thy crucified Son
All praise to the Spirit, whose whisper divine
Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine

SONG | Hold Him High ◀

Before he spoke the word that laid the world's foundation
He knew us as beloved and adored; set apart in love to be his new creation
Oh, that we would find in him our great reward
Hold him high, glorious Jesus Christ

Holiest Son of Man, worthy and lifted lamb
Heaven's exalted king, he is our righteousness
Light of the world in us, there is no brighter love
Hold him high, glorious Jesus Christ

The wonder of his will, revealed in our redemption
It's only by his blood that we're made whole
For he is the way, the truth, the life forever
On the praises of the Church he is enthroned; hold him high, glorious Jesus Christ

Holy, holy, God Almighty, awesome, eternal King, and Christ
Heaven and earth sing, "he is worthy," Lord over all, be lifted high

SONG | Only You ◀

You have known my every situation, and your goodness sustains me Lord
I will bow in humble expectation of your presence in the storm

Yes, there will be trial and tribulation, and you'll grant me breath to persevere
May my heart beat in pure anticipation, of the day you'll dry these tears

Only you have set the earth on its foundation
Only you give orders to the dawn
Only you can know the depths of every ocean
Only you deserve our song

Lord, you are like thunder to a whisper, yes your greatness knows no bounds
All these things too wonderful to speak of, fill my soul with a heavenly sound

Only you have torn the cover off the darkness
You expose the evils of the night
Only you reveal your glory to the humble
Only you are clothed in light

Here I am in the valley of decision, I know you hear me when I call
I repent of my prideful disposition, where was I when the stars sang out

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.

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 are on Thursdays at 7:00pm in the Activity Center (first floor of the building).

Scan the QR code to read more or email recovery@providenceaustin.com.

COLLEGE STUDENTS



We love college students, and we would 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.

Scan the QR code to see the upcoming college schedule or reach out to our college director, Alex Moser (alex@providenceaustin.com / 214-707-7356).

PROVIDENCE YOUTH



Middle School students (6th-8th) meet after church three times a month for lunch, Bible study, and games.

High School students (9th-12th) meet in small groups twice a month, and a large group gathering once a month.

Scan the QR code to see the upcoming youth schedule or reach out to our youth director, Stephen Smith (stephen@providenceaustin.com).

WOMEN'S FALL STUDY | BEGINS SEPTEMBER 13

Join us as we walk through a two-part overview of the Old Testament together. The study will be 10 weeks in the fall and 10 weeks in the spring. Register at: providenceaustin.com/womensstudy

WOMEN'S RETREAT | SEPTEMBER 28

The women of Providence will be gathering for a one-day retreat in September at the Wellspring Center in Blanco, Tx. Sign up at providenceaustin.com/womensretreat

DOCTRINE OF CHRIST | BEGINS OCTOBER 6

Join us for this seven-week class as we explore the person and work of Jesus. It will meet on Sundays at 9am in the chapel. Find more details and sign up at: providenceaustin.com/doctrineofchrist

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.

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