

PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING
JANUARY 12, 2025

CALL TO WORSHIP ●

Psalm 8

SONG | **Psalm 150** ◀

You made the starry hosts, you traced the mountain peaks
You paint the evening sky with wonders
The earth, it is your throne, from desert to the sea
All nature testifies your splendor

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, sing his greatness all creation
Praise the Lord, raise your voice, you heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west, let everything that has breath praise the Lord

You reached into the dust, in love, your Spirit breathed
You formed us in your very likeness
To know your wondrous works, to tell your mighty deeds
To join the everlasting chorus

Let symphonies resound, let drums and choirs ring out
All heaven hear the sound of worship
Let every nation bring, its honors to the King, a roar of harmonies eternal

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, sing his greatness all creation
Praise the Lord, raise your voice, you heights and all you depths
From furthest East to West, you distant burning stars
All creatures near and far, from sky to sea and shore, sing out forevermore
Let everything that has breath praise the Lord

CONFESSION OF SIN ●

Merciful God, you made us in your image, with a mind to know you, a heart to love you, and a will to serve you. But our knowledge is imperfect, our love is inconstant, our obedience incomplete. Day by day, we fail to grow into your likeness. We acknowledge our failure to glorify you the way you designed us to. In your tender love, forgive us through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON



Romans 8:1-4

SONG | Jesus Paid It All



I hear the Savior say, “thy strength indeed is small
Child of weakness, watch and pray, find in me thine all in all”

Lord, now indeed I find, thy power and thine alone
Can change the leper’s spots, and melt the heart of stone

Jesus paid it all, all to him I owe
Sin had left a crimson stain, he washed it white as snow

And now alive in him, my robe, his righteousness
Close sheltered ’neath his side, I am divinely blest

And when before the throne, I stand in him complete
“Jesus died my soul to save”, my lips shall still repeat

O Praise the one who paid my debt, and raised this life up from the dead

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 | Adapted from Hebrews


We profess and affirm that Jesus is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature. Jesus lowered himself, taking on flesh and blood, that through death he might destroy Satan and deliver us from the power of sin and death. Being made like us, he sympathizes with our weaknesses but is himself without sin. As our great high priest, he is the mediator of a better covenant—through the blood of his sacrifice we may draw near to God. All glory and honor be to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH


Baptism Celebration today after gathered worship:

Gemma Castillo Kasia Dinkeloo
Ryan Shepard Carter Hunt
Clayton Brady Conner Waughtal

READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD


Mark 8:27-38 (pg 792 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 | I Need Thee Every Hour ◀

I need thee every hour, most gracious Lord
 No tender voice like thine can peace afford

I need thee, O I need thee, every hour I need thee
 O bless me now, my Savior, I come to thee

I need thee every hour, stay thou nearby
 Temptations lose their power when thou art nigh

I need thee every hour, in joy or pain
 Come quickly and abide, or life is vain

I need thee every hour, most Holy One
 O make me thine indeed, thou blessed Son

SONG | His Glory and My Good ◀

I have seen my Father's glory, revealed in Jesus Christ
 And the more that I behold him, the more he satisfies
 When I gaze upon his beauty, when I see him as I should
 Then my eyes are lifted upward, for his glory and my good

There is hope in every trial, for I can trust the Lord
 He will turn my heart towards him, and help me bear the thorn
 So in faith I follow Jesus, on the road not understood
 For I know that he is working, for his glory and my good

To our God be the glory, to our God be praise, he alone, the name above all names
 I will boast ever only in the Lord my God, for I know his glory is my good

See the open arms of Jesus, upon the cross that day
 What they understood as weakness, deserves my every praise
 For the charge that was against me, it was nailed into the wood
 Yes, I know that he has saved me, for his glory and my good

Would I gladly be made nothing that Christ would be made more
 Would I seek the only kingdom that far outweighs them all
 I will stand before my Father where the faithful saints have stood
 And with joy my heart shall praise him, for his glory and my good

SONG | I Stand Amazed ◀

O how marvelous! O how wonderful! And my song shall ever be
O how marvelous! O how wonderful! Is my Savior's love for me

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene
And wonder how he could love me, a sinner condemned, unclean

He took my sins and my sorrows, he made them his very own
He bore the burden to Calvary and suffered and died alone

When with the ransomed in glory, his face I at last shall see
It will be my joy through the ages, to sing of his love for me

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).

INDUCTIVE STUDIES | STARTING JAN 14 & 15

We have a tradition of beginning the year in God's Word together. This year, we will be continuing in the book of Mark, the text for our spring preaching series. Men will meet on Tuesday mornings (starting Jan. 14) and Women on Wednesday mornings (starting Jan. 15), both from 6:30-8:00am in the chapel at University Avenue. Breakfast tacos and coffee provided! Sign up at providenceaustin.com/januarystudy.

AUSTIN INTERNATIONAL HALF MARATHON | SUNDAY • JAN 19

The Austin International Half Marathon (formerly the 3M Half Marathon) is next 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.

