

PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING
FEBRUARY 2, 2025

CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 6:1-7

SONG | Holy, Holy, Holy

You are 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

Holy and merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Colossians 1:21-22

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 | It Was Finished Upon that Cross ◀

How I love the voice of Jesus on the cross of Calvary
He declares his work is finished, he has spoken this hope to me
Though the sun had ceased its shining, though the war appeared as lost
Christ had triumphed over evil, it was finished upon that cross

Now the curse it has been broken, Jesus paid the price for me
Full, the pardon he has offered, great, the welcome that I receive
Boldly I approach my Father, clothed in Jesus' righteousness
There is no more guilt to carry, it was finished upon that cross

Death was once my great opponent, fear once had a hold on me
But the Son who died to save us, rose that we would be free indeed

Free from every plan of darkness, free to live and free to love
Death is dead and Christ is risen! It was finished upon that cross
Onward to eternal glory, to my Savior and my God
I rejoice in Jesus' victory, it was finished upon that cross

PROFESSION OF FAITH | Adapted from 1 Peter 2 

We profess and affirm that by the grace of God, we are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession. He has called us out of darkness into his marvelous light, so that we might declare his goodness. Once we were not a people, but now we are God's people; once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy. Praise be to God, the author of light and giver of mercy!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH 

Torch Sunday (4th & 5th graders)

READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD 

Mark 9:30-41 (pg 794 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 | 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 | Your Will Be Done ◀

Your will be done, my God and Father, as in Heaven, so on earth
My heart is drawn to self-exalting, help me seek your kingdom first
As Jesus walked, so I shall walk, held by your same unchanging love
Be still my soul, oh, lift your voice and pray, Father, not my will but yours be done

How in that garden he persisted, I may never fully know
The fearful weight of true obedience, it was held by him alone
What wondrous faith, to bear that cross, to bear my sin, what wondrous love
My hope was sure, when there my Savior prayed
Father, not my will but yours be done

When I am lost, when I am broken, in the night of fear and doubt
Still I will trust in my good Father, yes, to one great King I bow
As Jesus rose, so I shall rise, in ransomed glory at the throne
My heart restored, with all your saints I sing, Father, not my will but yours be done

As we go forth, our God and Father, lead us daily in the fight
That all the world might see your glory, and your Name be lifted high
And in this Name we overcome, as your Kingdom surely comes
Now as your church, we lift our voice and pray, Father, not my will but yours be done

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 SPRING STUDY | BEGINNING FEB 14

Study the Old Testament with the women of Providence in this 10 week class, picking up from where we ended last semester, in 1 Samuel. Two times available: Sunday before church or Friday mid-morning. Register at: providenceaustin.com/womensstudy

RAISED: EXAMINING THE RESURRECTION | STARTS FEB 23

This five-week class will engage the critical claim at the center of the gospel: Jesus didn't just die, he rose from the dead. Sign up at: providenceaustin.com/raised

MUSIC TEAM AUDITIONS | FEB 23 • AFTER GATHERED WORSHIP

Use your gifts to build up the body at Providence! Auditions are open to musicians in our church family. Learn more and sign up to audition at: providenceaustin.com/musicauditions

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.

