

# PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING  
FEBRUARY 9, 2025

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**CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Nehemiah 9:5-8*

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**SONG | Praise to the Lord the Almighty**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation  
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation  
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near, praise him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper, thy work and defend thee  
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee  
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, if with his love he befriend thee

Praise the Lord!

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth  
Shelters thee under his wings yea so gently sustaineth  
Hast thou not seen how thy desires have been, granted in what he ordaineth

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him  
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him  
Let the amen sound from his people again, gladly forever adore him

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**CONFESSION OF SIN**

God of righteousness, we confess that we have been unfaithful to our covenant with you and with one another. We have worshiped the idols of our own hearts. We have served our own self-interest instead of serving you. We have not loved our neighbors as you have commanded. Forgive us, gracious God, and bring us back into the fullness of our covenant with you and one another. Through the faithfulness of Jesus, our Lord. Amen.

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**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

*Jeremiah 31:31-34*

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**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

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**SONG | I Will Sing** ◀

With my mouth I will tell of your faithfulness  
I'll declare, Lord, your covenant with my life

I will sing of the Lord's great love forever  
I will sing of the Lord's great love  
I will sing of the Lord's great love forever  
I will sing, oh I will sing

Lord, you are the glory of all our strength  
Your presence along the way, for all our days

Oh Lord God Almighty, who is like you?  
Oh Lord God Almighty, none beside you!  
Oh Lord God Almighty, all the earth and sky belong to you

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**PROFESSION OF FAITH | Adapted from Psalm 111**

We profess that the works of the Lord are truly great! They are full of splendor and majesty, and his righteousness endures forever. The Lord is gracious and merciful. He provides for those who fear him. He has shown us the power of his works. All his ways are faithful and just, and his word is trustworthy. God has sent redemption to his people—he remembers his covenant forever. Holy and awesome is his name!

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

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**READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD**

*Mark 9:42-50 (pg 794 in pew Bibles)*

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**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.*

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**SONG | Great is Thy Faithfulness**

Great is thy faithfulness, oh God my Father  
There is no shadow of turning with thee  
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not  
As thou hast been, thou forever wilt be

Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness  
Morning by morning new mercies I see  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided  
Great is thy faithfulness Lord unto me

I could not love thee, so blind and unfeeling  
Covenant promises fell not to me  
Then without warning, desire, or deserving  
I found my treasure, my pleasure, in thee

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth  
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand besides

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**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

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**SONG | None But Thee**

Jesus, mighty King of Heaven, thou O Lord our guide shall be  
Thy commission we rely on, we will follow none but thee

As an emblem of thy passion and thy victory o'er the grave  
We who know thy great salvation are baptized now beneath the wave

Fall on us O Holy Lord, our hearts O King are only yours  
By your grace we live, and we will follow none but thee  
Will follow none but thee

Fearless of the worlds despising, we the ancient path pursue  
Buried with our Lord and rising, to a life divinely new

Sin shall never be our master, captives of thy blessed grace  
Offering our lives hereafter, we resolve to seek thy face

We will follow none but thee

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**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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:stephen@providenceaustin.com)).

**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](http://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](http://providenceaustin.com/musicauditions)

**MENTORSHIP PROGRAM | STARTING IN MARCH**

Providence Mentorship is a 10-month program that matches people for one-on-one discipleship. The goal is to build a relationship in which a mentor can help you mature in faith through truth, wisdom, accountability, encouragement, and prayer. To learn more about the program and register, visit [providenceaustin.com/mentorship](http://providenceaustin.com/mentorship).

**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](http://www.providenceaustin.com/give) for more info on giving online.
- 3 You can donate stock: Email [donations@providenceaustin.com](mailto:donations@providenceaustin.com).

