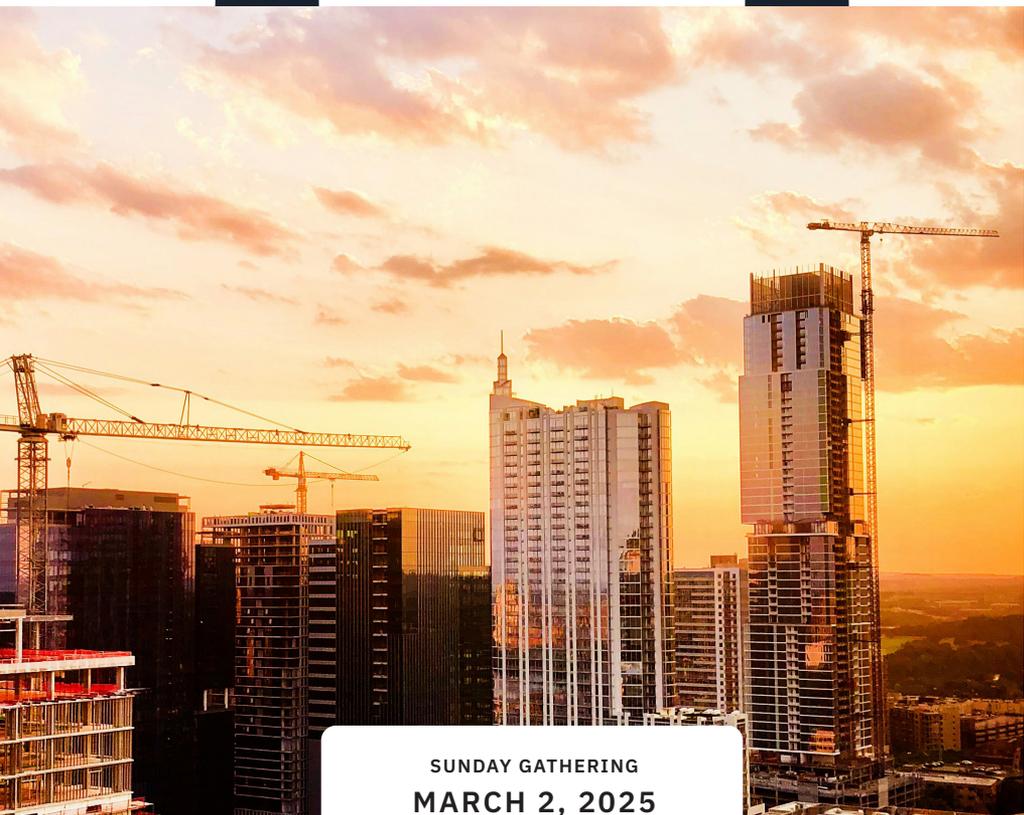


# PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING  
MARCH 2, 2025

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**CALL TO WORSHIP** ●

*1 Chronicles 29:9-13*

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**SONG | He Is Exalted / O Worship the King** ◀

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

O worship the King, all glorious above  
And gratefully sing his wonderful love  
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days  
Pavillioned in splendor, and girded with praise

You alone are the matchless King, to you alone be all majesty  
Your glories, your wonders, what tongue can recite?  
We offer our praise, bowing our lives

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**CONFESSION OF SIN** ●

Holy Father, you see us as we are and know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns. We have not sought to do your will with our whole hearts. We have not lived as grateful children, nor have we loved as Christ loved us. Apart from you we are nothing—only your grace can sustain us. Lord, in your mercy, forgive us, heal us, and make us whole. Set us free from our sin, and restore us to the joy of your salvation now and forever. Amen.

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**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** ●

*Hebrews 10:19-22*

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**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

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**SONG | Rejoice**


Rejoice in the Lord now and always, sing it again, we rejoice  
 Delight in the love he has shown us, gratefully lift up your voice  
 His gentleness among us, will join our hearts with praise  
 We gather in his goodness, a family of grace

With each breath he has given, praise the Lord  
 In these times we live in, we will praise the Lord  
 Throughout ev'ry season, I am sure, we have ev'ry reason to praise the Lord

Rejoice and be anxious for nothing, praying for all that you need  
 Come with a song of thanksgiving, lay your requests at his feet  
 His peace will fall upon us, to guard our hearts and minds  
 In Christ who reigns eternal, the Shepherd of our lives

Rejoice in the Lord now and always, tell of the good he has done  
 Worship the Lord to remember, all of the joy yet to come  
 The hope that burns within us, the dark cannot destroy  
 With praise that's never ending, we say again, rejoice

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**PROFESSION OF FAITH | Heidelberg 1** 

*Q: What is your only comfort in life and death?*

A: That I am not my own, but belong-body and soul, in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** 

*Torch Sunday (4th & 5th graders)*

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**READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD** 

*Mark 10:46-52 (pg 795 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 | He Will Hold Me Fast** ◀

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail, he will hold me fast  
I could never keep my hold, through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold, he must hold me fast

He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast  
For my Savior loves me so, he will hold me fast

Those he saves are his delight, Christ will hold me fast  
Precious in his holy sight, he will hold me fast  
He won't let my soul be lost, his promises shall last  
Bought by him at such a cost, he will hold me fast

For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied, he will hold me fast  
Raised with him to endless life, he will hold me fast  
'Till our faith is turned to sight, when he comes at last

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**SONG | Turn Your Eyes** ◀

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim  
In the light of his glory and grace

Turn your eyes to the hillside, where justice and mercy embraced  
There the Son of God gave his life for us  
And our measureless debt was erased

Jesus, to you we lift our eyes, Jesus, our glory and our prize  
We adore you, behold you, our Savior ever true  
Oh Jesus, we turn our eyes to you

Turn your eyes to the morning, and see Christ the lion awake  
What a glorious dawn, fear of death is gone  
For we carry his life in our veins

Turn your eyes to the heavens, our King will return for his own  
Every knee will bow, every tongue will shout  
All glory to Jesus alone

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**SONG | Praise His Name (Psalm 148)** ◀

Reaches of heaven, starry heights  
Lights of the evening dancing in silent skies  
Brilliance of morning, breaking day  
O let them praise him, praise his name

O praise his name, O praise his name  
Let all his wondrous works declare his praise

Mightiest mountains, peaceful plains  
Snowfall and fire, thundering ocean waves  
Kings and their kingdoms, age to age  
O let them praise him, praise his name

King enthroned in majesty, all things made by his decree  
Hear creation's melody, "Praise him! Praise him!"  
Everything with life and breath, everywhere from east to west  
Every heart raised from the dead, praise him, praise him!  
Angels echo the refrain, "Jesus, Lamb for sinners slain!"  
Name above all other names, praise him

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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)).

**ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE** | MARCH 5 • 7PM

Ash Wednesday calls us to reflect on our mortality, renew our commitment to repentance, and rejoice in Christ's victory over sin and death. Join us at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary for worship and reflection. No childcare provided.

**WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT** | MARCH 8 • 8A-12P

Our Lenten Silent Retreat offers an opportunity to slow down, soak in God's beauty, and listen for the Lord's voice. We will be at Reimer's Ranch, Saturday March 8th, from 8am-noon. Let us know you're coming: [providenceaustin.com/lentenretreat](http://providenceaustin.com/lentenretreat)

**MEN'S RETREAT** | APRIL 4-5 • CAMP BUCKNER

Join the men of Providence at Camp Buckner the first weekend in April. Learn more and register at: [providenceaustin.com/mensretreat](http://providenceaustin.com/mensretreat)

**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).

