

PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING
MARCH 16, 2025

CALL TO WORSHIP ●*Colossians 1:15-20*

SONG | All Creatures of Our God and King ◀

All creatures of our God and King

Lift up your voice and with us sing

O praise him, alleluia

Thou burning sun with golden beam, thou silver moon with softer gleam

O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Thou rushing wind that art so strong

Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along

O praise him, alleluia

Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, ye lights of evening find a voice

O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

Let all things their Creator bless

And worship him in humbleness

O praise him, alleluia

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One

O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

CONFESSION OF SIN ●

Almighty God, we confess our constant striving for righteousness, acceptance, and approval from sources that leave us empty. We ask your forgiveness, and we renew our hope in Christ alone, who offered himself to forgive our sins and redeem us from darkness. We find all comfort in his wounds, and we have no need to seek or invent any other means to reconcile ourselves with God, than this one and only sacrifice which renders believers perfect forever. He is the way of hope, the truth of God, and the life of love, now and always. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON ●*1 Peter 1:18-21*

SONG | Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery ◀

Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King
He, the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come
Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous mystery, he the perfect Son of Man
In his living, in his suffering, never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law, in him we stand

Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners, hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery, slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain him, praise the Lord, he is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance, how unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected, as we will be when he comes

SONG | The Solid Rock ◀

My hope is built on nothing less, than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame, but wholly lean on Jesus' name

When darkness veils his lovely face, I rest on his unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale, my anchor holds within the veil

On Christ the solid rock I stand, all other ground is sinking sand
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His oath, his covenant, his blood, support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way, he then is all my hope and stay

When he shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in him be found
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne

PROFESSION OF FAITH | Adapted from Romans 8

We believe there is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For we know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to God's purpose. We believe that we, who are in Christ, are now dead to sin and to alive to God, and that the Spirit of God is living and reigning in us. We are convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thanks be to God!

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Torch Sunday (4th & 5th graders)

READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD

Mark 12:1-12 (pg 796 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 | Come Ye Sinners ◀

Come ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore
 Jesus ready stands to save you, full of mercy, love, and pow'r

Come ye thirsty, come and welcome, God's free bounty glorified
 True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh

I will arise and go to Jesus
 He will embrace me in his arms
 In the arms of my dear Savior
 Oh, there are ten thousand charms

Come ye weary, heavy-laden, lost and ruined by the fall
 If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all

SONG | All Sufficient Merit ◀

All sufficient merit shining like the sun
 A fortune I inherit by no work I have done
 My righteousness, I forfeit, at my Savior's cross
 Where all sufficient merit did what I could not

In love, he condescended, eternal now in time
 A life without a blemish, the Maker made to die
 The law could never save us, our lawlessness had won
 Until the pure and spotless Lamb had finally come

It is done, it is finished, no more debt I owe
 Paid in full, all sufficient merit now my own

I lay down my garments, any empty boasts
 Good works all corrupted by the sinful host
 I'm dressed in my Lord Jesus, a crimson robe made white
 No more fear of judgment, his righteousness is mine

All sufficient merit, firm in life and death
 The joy of my salvation shall be my final breath
 And when I stand accepted before the throne of God
 I'll gaze upon my Jesus and thank him for the cross

SONG | Our Great God ◀

Eternal God, unchanging, mysterious and unknown
Your boundless love, unfailing, in grace and mercy shown
Bright seraphim in ceaseless flight, around your glorious throne
They raise their voices day and night in praise to you alone
Hallelujah, glory be to our great God!

Lord, we are weak and frail and helpless in the storm
Surround us with your angels, and hold us in your arms
Our cold and ruthless enemy, his pleasure is our harm
Rise up, O Lord, and he will flee, before our sovereign God

Let every creature in the sea, and every flying bird
Let every mountain, every field, and valley of the earth
Let all the moons and all the stars in all the universe
Sing praises to the living God, who rules them by his Word

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).

CHURCH PLANT INFO MEETINGS | MARCH 23 • 12:15PM

As we prepare to plant a church in north/central Austin at the beginning of next year, we need our entire church to own the vision and participate in the process. To learn more and sign up to attend one of the upcoming vision & prayer meetings, visit providenceaustin.com/churchplant.

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

PROVIDENCE FAMILY EASTER PARTY | APRIL 12

Join us for the Providence Family Easter Party on Saturday, April 12th from 10a-12p! Celebrate the joy of Jesus's resurrection with a fun-filled morning of crafts, games, live music, and delicious food and drinks, all designed for kids and families. RSVP for your family at: providenceaustin.com/pkeaster

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.

