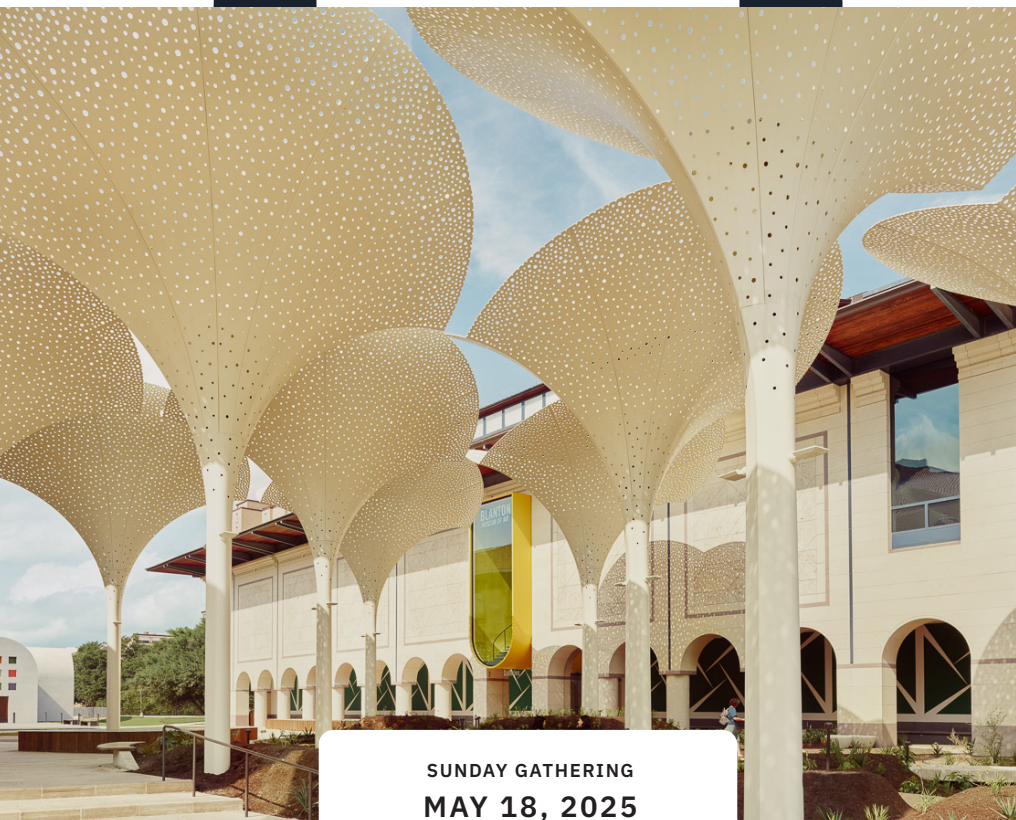


# PROVIDENCE CHURCH



SUNDAY GATHERING  
MAY 18, 2025

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**CALL TO WORSHIP***Psalm 47*

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**SONG | O Worship the King**

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

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space  
His chariots of wrath, the deep thunderclouds form  
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm

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

Frail children of dust and feeble as frail  
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail  
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end  
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend

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**CONFESSION OF SIN**

Great and mighty God, you are the maker of all things, yet we try to find life apart from you. You redeemed us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of your beloved Son, yet we still live as those bound by sin. You wonderfully hold all things together, yet we are anxious and constantly looking for control over our lives. Forgive us for forgetting that we belong to you and not trusting in your loving care. Conform our hearts to the heart of Jesus and strengthen us to live as your redeemed people.

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**ASSURANCE OF PARDON***Colossians 1:11-13*

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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 | O Praise the Name (Anástasis)**

I cast my mind to Calvary, where Jesus bled and died for me  
I see his wounds, his hands his feet, my Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears, they laid him down in Joseph's tomb  
The entrance sealed by heavy stone, Messiah still and all alone

O praise the Name of the Lord our God  
O praise his Name, forevermore  
For endless days we will sing your praise  
O Lord, O Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn, the Son of Heaven rose again  
O trampled death where is your sting, the angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white, the blazing sun shall pierce the night  
And I will rise among the saints, my gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

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## PROFESSION OF FAITH



We believe that God is King over all creation, ruling with perfect justice, wisdom, and love. His sovereignty is absolute, eternal, and unchanging. We acknowledge no higher authority than God and submit all of life to his reign. In Jesus Christ, God has revealed his rule in grace and truth. Christ now reigns from heaven and sends his Spirit to empower the church's proclamation of the gospel, in both word and deed. We believe that Christ will return in glory to establish his kingdom in full and make all things new. Until then, we depend on the Holy Spirit to enable us to live as citizens of his eternal kingdom.

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## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH



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## READING & PREACHING OF THE WORD



*Acts 19:8-20 (pg 873 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 | Until He Comes Again**

By this, we remember in faith as we gather  
With bread and wine we remember, until he comes again

When he comes again, like a thief in the night  
When he comes again, all the wrongs will be right  
Oh the earth lifted up as heaven comes down  
We remember until he comes again

By this, we remember in hope as we gather  
With bread and wine we remember, until he comes again

By this, we remember your love as we gather  
With bread and wine we remember, until he comes again

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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 | 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

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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)** meets over the summer on Thursday evenings for food, Bible study, and games.

**High School students (9th-12th)** various discipleship opportunities available. Reach out to Stephen ([stephen@providenceaustin.com](mailto:stephen@providenceaustin.com)) for the summer schedule.

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)).

**WOMEN'S DINNER FOR 8 | SIGN UP BY MAY 23**

Sign up for an evening connecting with other Providence women! This is designed to encourage fun and fellowship while helping women in church get to know each other better and spend time with new people from a different GC, different stage of life, etc. Sign up at **[providenceaustin.com/dinnerfor8](https://providenceaustin.com/dinnerfor8)**

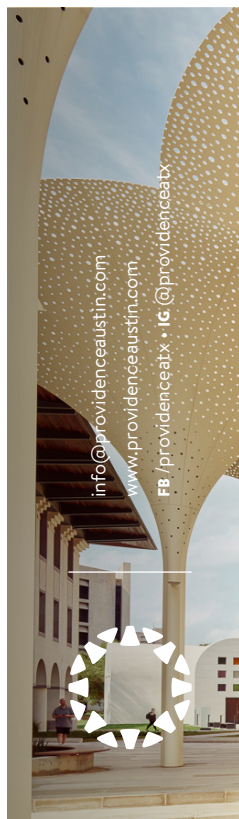
**SUMMER ELECTIVES | BEGINNING IN JUNE**

This summer we are once again offering multiple equipping opportunities. The classes start in June. Head to **[providenceaustin.com/summerelectives](https://providenceaustin.com/summerelectives)** to learn more about each elective and to register.

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



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