



PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

New Member Sunday
October 8, 2017, 11 a.m.

PRELUDE Melody Raef

WELCOME Cathy Davis

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION God Be with You Till We Meet Again

*CALL TO WORSHIP Inspired by Psalm 96

Leader: The Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you.

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song;

PEOPLE: Sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Leader: Sing, and give praise to God's name;

PEOPLE: Tell the glad news of salvation from day to day.

ALL: Let us worship God!

*PRAYER OF THE DAY (Unison) Book of Common Worship

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires, known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us listen to this hymn one time through as we prepare to sing

*HYMN OF PRAISE #487 When Morning Gilds the Skies

*PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison) Book of Common Worship

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.

*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

*RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE #579 Gloria Patri

*THE PEACE The peace of Christ be with you ... And also with you.

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNITY

While we "Pass the Peace" please consider filling out a "Welcome to our Church Family" card
Drop your card in the offering plate.

TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN Rev. Stephen L Hodges
Children in kindergarten and younger may go to the nursery

INTERLUDE Give Me Jesus Melody Raef & Choir

READING from the OLD TESTAMENT Jonah 3:1-10 (Pew p.752)

READING from the GOSPELS John 1:35-51 (Pew p.862)

HOMILY Change of Heart Rev. Stephen L. Hodges

*HYMN OF RESPONSE #326 Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – The Apostles' Creed (Traditional) Hymnal, p. 14

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PASTORAL RITE OF THE CHURCH – Welcoming New Members
Margie Lassiter; Kristen Nieto
Cathy & Bob Redford; Jordan & Thomas Wingenbach

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY

SILENT PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE (#592) Doxology

*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

* CHARGE & BLESSING

* HYMN OF SENDING #540 God Be with You Till We Meet Again

*All who are able are invited to stand

Join us after this service for New Member Reception
and a PTP Update