



**PROVIDENCE FORGE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
September 16, 2018**

PRELUDE Melody Raef

WELCOME Nathan Richards

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

***CALL TO WORSHIP** Inspired by Mark 8

Leader: The Lord be with you.

PEOPLE: And also with you.

Leader: We come here to worship the One who has saved us from our sins.

PEOPLE: "You are the Messiah," Peter answered.

Leader: We thank you, Jesus!

PEOPLE: "You are the Messiah," Peter answered.

Leader: We praise your name.

PEOPLE: "You are the Messiah," Peter answered.

Leader: Our hope rests in you, Jesus.

PEOPLE: "You are the Messiah," Peter answered.

Leader: Jesus, you have called us to follow you.

PEOPLE: "You are the Messiah," we answer.

UNISON: Let us worship God.

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

Almighty God, you call your church to witness that in Christ we are reconciled to you. Help us so to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may turn to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE #469** Morning Has Broken

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love. We have not loved our neighbors, and we have refused to hear the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

***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

READING from the OLD TESTAMENT Proverbs 1:20-33 (Pew p. 509)

READING from the GOSPELS Mark 8:27-38 (Pew p. 820)

ANTHEM Jesus Be Near Me Melody Raef and Choir

HOMILY For All to Hear Rev. Stephen L. Hodges

***HYMN OF RESPONSE #302** I Danced in the Morning

***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.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH FAMILY
SILENT PRAYER followed by **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 #357** O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee

(*) "Please stand if you are able"