

**PROVIDENCE FORGE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
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THE SESSION 2022

Johanna Davis (Youth & Young Adult) T2	2020-2022
Davis Gammon (Stewardship) T1	2021-2023
Jamie Gray (Good Samaritan) T2	2022-2024
Ruth Hopke (Policy & Personnel) T2	2020-2022
Ayars Lore (Buildings & Grounds, PTP) T2	2022-2024
Leigh Quick (Worship) T2	2021-2023
Nathan Richards (Planning & Finance) T1	2020-2022
Patricia Robinson (Christian Ed.) T1	2021-2023
Ginny Taylor (Outreach) T1	2021-2023
Jim Wallace (Clerk of Session) T1	2020-2022
Jo White (Fellowship) T1	2022-2024

welcome

Providence Forge
Presbyterian Church

*...I give water
in the wilderness,
rivers in the desert,
to give drink to
my chosen people...*



August 14th, 2022
Service at Davis Farm

**PROVIDENCE FORGE
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10th Sunday after Pentecost
August 14, 2022**

PRELUDE

Melody Raef

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION

Melody Raef

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

from the church in Africa

Leader: Rejoice in the Lord, For he has refreshed the parched earth.

All: We praise you, O God.

Leader: Rejoice for the rain that falls by night, and soaks at once into the dry ground, causing half-dried-up roots to swell, and the deep cracks in the earth to close.

All: We praise you, O God.

Leader: Rejoice for the great drops that fall at midday; rejoice in the small streams, singing on their way from the hills down into the valleys, to make the rivers swell and fill the reservoirs and supply the cities and irrigation channels with water.

All: We praise you, O God.

Leader: For the ground, for rain, for seeds and tools, for strength in arms and backs, for the will to work and for creative minds.

All: We praise you, O God.

PRAYER OF PRAISE

Leader: (pouring water from a pitcher into a bowl) Holy Spirit, Life-giver, who moved over the waters in the creation, who led your people through the waters of the Red Sea to liberation, and who comforted your exiled people by the waters of Babylon, draw us together as we gather in your name.

All: Creator God, we thank you for your love in all creation, especially for your gift of water to sustain, refresh, and cleanse all life. We ask your blessing on this gathering. As we come together from many places and mingle the waters of our experience and faith, may we find sustenance, insight, and refreshment for the task of repairing our world. We pray in Your Name. AMEN

***SONG OF PRAISE**

Shall We Gather at the River

SCRIPTURE READING:

Psalm 104:10-13

You make springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills, giving drink to every wild animal; the wild asses quench their thirst. By the streams the birds of the air have their habitation; they sing among the branches. From your lofty abode you water the mountains; the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.

FOR CHILDREN

Luke 5:1-3 (ERV) 5

As Jesus stood beside Lake Galilee,^[a] a crowd of people pushed to get closer to him and to hear the teachings of God. ² Jesus saw two boats at the shore of the lake. The fishermen were washing their nets. ³ Jesus got into the boat that belonged to Simon. He asked Simon to push off a little from the shore. Then he sat down in the boat and taught the people on the shore.

ANTHEM

Peace Like a River

SERMON

"Water is Life"

Rev. Dr. Cindy Kissel-Ito

BLESSING OF THE WATER

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG OF RESPONSE

Spirit

BENEDICTION

John writes of Jesus encounter with the woman at the well. "Jesus said to her, 'Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.' May we forever exalt God and creation. Go in peace, enjoy God's gift of water. Peace be with you!"

