

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
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THE SESSION 2023

Clerk of Session

Ginny Taylor 2021-2023

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Ayars Lore 2022-2024

Administration

Jamie Gray 2022-2024

Ayars Lore 2022-2024

Nathan Richards 2023-2025

Christian Life

Leigh Quick 2021-2023

Patricia Robinson 2021-2023

Jo White 2022-2024

Community & Mission

Paul Davis 2023-2025

Davis Gammon 2021-2023

welcome
to our church family



Providence Forge
Presbyterian Church

To further God's Kingdom on Earth, one soul at a time.

**PROVIDENCE FORGE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**
First Sunday of Epiphany
January 8, 2023

**All who are able are invited to stand*

PRELUDE Melody Raef

WELCOME Betty Batkins

MOMENT FOR REFLECTION Melody Raef

***CALL TO WORSHIP** *Isaiah 60:1,3*

Leader: Arise, shine, for your light has come,

People: and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Leader: Nations shall come to your light,

People: and rulers to the brightness of your rising.

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

With faith and hope for renewed lives, let us confess our sins to God.

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** *Book of Common Worship*

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen

***WORDS OF FORGIVENESS**

Friends, hear this good news: Nothing can separate us from the love of God. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

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

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you...And also with you.

TIME FOR CHILDREN

COLLECTION FOR 5¢ A MEAL

PRESBYTERIAN MINUTE

OLD TESTAMENT READING *Psalm 29; Pew Bible p. 438*

GOSPEL READING *Matthew 3:13-17; Pew Bible p. 784-785*

ANTHEM

SERMON "Do You Come to Me?" Rev. Leigh Anne Ring

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *Apostles' Creed (Traditional);
Hymnal p. 14*

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *The Lord's Prayer (Traditional);
Hymnal p. 16*

WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE (#592) Doxology**

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

***SONG OF SENDING** *#492 Baptized in Water*

***BENEDICTION**

POSTLUDE Melody Raef



Rev. Leigh Anne Ring provides pastoral support and oversight of presbytery ministers, educators, chaplains, and commissioned pastors. She also serves as staff liaison to the Commission on Ministry. Leigh Anne is married to Jim Ring and they have two adult children. She describes herself as an "indoor Presbyterian" with a deep appreciation for God's good creation from the inside of a window.