

# **Providence Forge Presbyterian Church**

to further God's kingdom on earth, one soul at a time

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Sunday, January 26, 2025

**Epiphany Series: Living with Joy** 

We say the words printed in **bold** together. | \* Indicates we stand as we are able.

### Gathering to Worship

PRELUDE Melody Raef

WELCOME Robert Billcheck

INTROIT Softly and Tenderly

Leader: The heavens are telling the glory of God,

People: the firmament proclaims the Lord's handiwork.

Leader: Day to day pours forth speech, **People: night to night declares knowledge.** Leader: The law of the Lord is perfect,

People: it revives the soul.

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts **People: be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer.** 

\*SONG OF PRAISE

#454 Blessed Jesus, At Your Word

# Confessing to God's Mercy

#### \*CALL TO CONFESSION

#### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

from Call to Worship

based on Psalm 19

Lord Jesus Christ, you are always arriving in our world.

You are always appearing in our midst. You are always making your ways and your will known among your people.

Forgive us for remaining distracted and dissatisfied.

Forgive us for filling our lives with clutter and noise.

Forgive us for failing to heed your call.

Help us in this season to remain alert and attentive,

that we might not miss your invitations for us and among us. Amen.

\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

\*RESPONSE TO GOD'S FORGIVING LOVE

#579 Gloria Patri◊

\*PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

# **Proclaiming God's Word**

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Lisa Ballou

**COLLECTION FOR 5 CENTS A MEAL** 

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Luke 4:14-21; Pew Bible p. 835

1 Corinthians 12:12-31a;

Pew Bible p. 933-934

**ANTHEM** 

**SCRIPTURE** 

My Jesus

SERMON

"Blessed for Good"

Lisa Ballou

### Responding to God's Love

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.15

God's sovereign love is a mystery beyond the reach of the human mind. Human thought ascribes to God superlatives of power, wisdom, and goodness. But God reveals divine love in Jesus Christ by showing power in the form of a servant, wisdom in the folly of the cross, and goodness in receiving sinful men and women. The power of God's love in Christ

to transform the world discloses that the Redeemer is the Lord and Creator

who made all things

to serve the purpose of God's love.

\*SONG OF RESPONSE

#332 Live Into Hope

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

**OFFERTORY** 

\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE

#592 Doxology◊

#### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

# Departing to Serve

#### \*SONG OF SENDING

#461 God Is Here!

#### CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

Melody Raef

If you are new to PFPC or new to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), welcome! We have worship quides located in the front and rear of the sanctuary. Please feel free to grab one and use it to understand the different parts of worship or to follow along with liturgy not printed in the bulletin. These portions are indicated with this symbol: ◊

# PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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### **CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Crystal Varner Parker Pastor Kristel Lamp Administrative Assistant Melody Raef Organist & Choir Director Cathy Davis

Sunshine Nursery School Director

Paul Robinson Church Treasurer

### THE SESSION 2025

Ruth Hopke Clerk of Session:

Pete Adamson, Lisa Ballou,

Robert Billcheck, and Nathan Admin Pillar:

Richards

Paul Davis, Davis Gammon, Christian Life Pillar:

and Patricia Robinson

Hayden VanDyke and Jo Mission & Outreach Pillar:

White