



## **Providence Forge Presbyterian Church**

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

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# **Sunday, February 9, 2025**

## **Series: The Art of Hearing**

If you are new to PFPC or new to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), welcome!  
We have worship guides 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.

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

## Gathering to Worship

**PRELUDE** Melody Raef

**WELCOME** Jo White

**INTROIT** Give Me Jesus

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** based on Psalm 138

Leader: We give you thanks, O LORD, with our whole heart.

**People: We give thanks to your name for  
your steadfast love and your faithfulness.**

Leader: All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O LORD,  
for they have heard the words of your mouth.

**People: For though the LORD is high, God regards the lowly,  
but the haughty God perceives from far away.**

Leader: The LORD will fulfill God's purpose for us;

**People: The LORD's steadfast love endures forever!**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE** #138 Holy, Holy, Holy!  
Lord God Almighty!

## Confessing to God's Mercy

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

**\*PRAYER OF CONFESSION** from Call to Worship

Merciful God, you call, but we seldom hear.

You beckon, yet we turn away.

**Sin keeps us from responding to you, thwarting even our best efforts.  
Forgive our lack of attention to things that matter and restore our  
sense of your priorities. Focus us on your call to worship and service  
as we seek to follow after Jesus Christ. 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** Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

**COLLECTION FOR 5 CENTS A MEAL**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE** Luke 5:1-11; Pew Bible p. 836  
1 Corinthians 15:1-11; Pew Bible p. 935

**ANTHEM** Fill Your Jar at the Well

**SERMON** "Hearing is Believing" Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

## 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** #391 Take My Life

**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**

#280 Amazing Grace,  
How Sweet the Sound

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Melody Raef

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**THE SESSION 2025**

Clerk of Session:	Ruth Hopke
Admin Pillar:	Pete Adamson, Lisa Ballou, Robert Billcheck, and Nathan Richards
Christian Life Pillar:	Paul Davis, Davis Gammon, and Patricia Robinson
Mission & Outreach Pillar:	Hayden VanDyke and Jo White