



## **Providence Forge Presbyterian Church**

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

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# **Sunday, May 11, 2025**

## **Easter Series: Living with the End in Mind**

**Thank you to our youth for leading us in worship today!**

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**

**INTROIT**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** based on Psalm 23

Leader: God is our shepherd!

**People: We have everything we need.**

Leader: God gives us places to rest and quiet pools to drink from.

**People: True to your word, you let us catch our breath  
and send us in the right direction.**

Leader: When we face danger and are at our lowest point,

**People: We are not afraid when you walk by our side.**

Leader: God helps us lift our drooping heads;  
and our cup overflows with blessing.

**People: We are home in the house of God!**

**\*SONG OF PRAISE** #341 Blessed Assurance

### **Confessing to God's Mercy**

**\*CALL TO CONFESSION**

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

**Eternal God, in the presence of our enemies, we divide and demonize.  
When you face our enemies, you choose neither contempt nor  
punishment, but set a table and make provision for us all.**

**Our ways are not your ways, O Creator, and they are an affront to the  
work of your hands. Have mercy on us, O God, and heal us.**

**Send our risen Lord among us again to repair relationships and  
restore humanity. Set us free to share the love of Christ Jesus just as  
he does at his table. 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**

**GRADUATE RECOGNITION** Olivia Allen  
Evelyn Batkins

**TIME FOR CHILDREN** PFPC Youth

**COLLECTION FOR 5 CENTS A MEAL**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE** Revelation 7:9-17; Pew Bible p. 999  
Deep Blue Kids' Bible p. 1395

**ANTHEM** Children's Choir

**SERMON** "With the Church in Mind" Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

### **Responding to God's Love**

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.26

**Life in Christ is life eternal.**

**The resurrection of Jesus is the sign  
that God will consummate the work  
of creation and reconciliation beyond death  
and bring to fulfillment  
the new life begun in Christ.**

**RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS**

Linda Adcock, Perry Adcock, Cindy Evans, and Kenny Evans

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE** #526 For All the Saints

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
Thy kingdom come, they will be done, on earth as it is in  
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our  
debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into  
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom  
and the power and the glory forever. Amen.**

**WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD**

**OFFERTORY**

**\*RESPONSE OF PRAISE** #592 Doxology◊

**\*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

*Departing to Serve*

**\*SONG OF SENDING** #387 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE** Melody Raef

**PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**CHURCH STAFF**

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Administrative Assistant	Kristel Lamp
Organist & Choir Director	Melody Raef
Sunshine Nursery School Director	Cathy Davis
Church Treasurer	Paul Robinson

**THE SESSION 2025**

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