



Providence Forge Presbyterian Church

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

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Sunday, May 4, 2025

Easter Series: Living with the End in Mind

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 Ellen Davis
INTROIT Give Me Jesus
***CALL TO WORSHIP** based on Psalm 30

Leader: We praise you, Lord, because you pulled us up;
you didn't let our enemies celebrate over us.
People: Lord, our God, when we cried out to you for help, you healed us.
Leader: You who are faithful to the Lord, sing praises to God!
People: God changed our mourning into dancing.
Leader: Let us worship the Lord!

***SONG OF PRAISE** #85 What Wondrous Love Is This

Confessing to God's Mercy

***CALL TO CONFESSION**
***PRAYER OF CONFESSION** from a Call to Worship

Generous God,
in Jesus you have shown us love—
love that seeks, love that suffers, love that survives all things.
You call us, even command us, to show that love in our lives.
Yet we turn away from what you would have us do.
We confess that the ways of love are not our ways.
We deny and ignore, hurt and hate, despise and reject.
Have mercy on us.
Help us to receive your love so that we can love others.
Help us to receive your love so that we can love ourselves. Amen.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.
People: And also with you.

Proclaiming God's Word

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE

Revelation 5:1–14; Pew Bible p. 997-998
Deep Blue Kids' Bible p. 1393

Leader: The Word of God for the People of God.
People: Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM

Glorious Name

SERMON

"With Worship in Mind" Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

Responding to God's Love

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth,
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by
the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

SONG OF PREPARATION

#594 This Is the Feast of Victory

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation
Prayer of Thanksgiving and the Lord's Prayer
Words of Institution
Sharing the Elements

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE OFFER OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY

***RESPONSE OF PRAISE**

#592 Doxology

***PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

Departing to Serve

***SONG OF SENDING**

#108 Christ Is Alive!

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Melody Raef

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THE SESSION 2025

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