



## **Providence Forge Presbyterian Church**

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

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# **Sunday, August 24, 2025**

## **Summer Series: Final Instructions**

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  
**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Deuteronomy 6:5

Leader: What does God command?.

**People: To love God with all our heart, and all our soul, and all our mind  
and all our strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves.**

Leader: God does not call us to ease or to comfort.

**People: But to presence and abundance, and to grace in our struggle.**

**ALL: Let us worship God, who believes in us, abides in us and trusts in  
us.**

**\*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

Gracious God, we humbly confess that we have fallen short.  
We seek peace and comfort in our lives, ignoring the needs of others.  
We live our lives in ways that bring chaos and calamity to our neighbors.  
Cleanse us from sin and show us your steadfast love,  
so that in turning to you, we may seek unity and peace  
for all of creation. Amen.

**\*DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS**

Leader: The Lord is our hope and our trust, our light and salvation.

Believe the good news!

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

**\*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. Dr. Cindy Kissel-Ito

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**SCRIPTURE**

Deuteronomy 6:1-9; Luke 10:25-28  
Pew Bible p. 143 & 844, Deep Blue Kids' Bible p. 207 & 1153

Leader: The Word of God for all people.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

"Teaching Faith"

Rev. Dr. Cindy Kissel-Ito

## Responding to God's Love

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Adapted from the Confession of 1967, 9.32-33

**The life, death, resurrection, and promised coming of  
Jesus Christ has set the pattern for the church's mission.**

**His human life involves the church in the common life of all people.**

**His service to men and women commits the church  
to work for every form of human well-being.**

**His suffering makes the church sensitive to all human suffering so that  
it sees the face of Christ in the faces of persons in every kind of need.**

**His crucifixion discloses to the church God's judgment on the  
inhumanity that marks human relations, and the awful consequences  
of the church's own complicity in injustice.**

**In the power of the risen Christ and the hope of his coming,  
the church sees the promise of God's renewal of human life in society  
and of God's victory over all wrong.**

**The church follows this pattern in the form of its life and in the  
method of its action.**

**So to live and serve is to confess Christ as Lord.**

**\*SONG OF RESPONSE**

#392 Take Thou Our Minds, Dear Lord

**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**

#391 Take My Life

**CHARGE AND BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

Melody Raef

**PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

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**THE SESSION 2025**

Clerk of Session:	Ruth Hopke
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Christian Life Pillar:	Paul Davis, Davis Gammon, and Patricia Robinson
Mission & Outreach Pillar:	Hayden VanDyke and Jo White