

Futhering God's Kingdom on earth, one soul at a time

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Unless otherwise noted, worship liturgy is from the Call to Worship Journal



Gathering to Worship

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

Reformed worship is centered around the Word, both the Word of scripture and Christ as the Word Incarnate. In worship we gather around the Word, engage with the Word, and respond to the Word.

Confessing to God's Mercy

In the presence of a holy God, we turn from communal praise to corporate confession, established on the promise of God's grace, is one of the hallmarks of the Reformed tradition. Being aware of the ways we fall short of God's best hopes for us, we turn to God in prayer, asking for forgiveness.

Passing of the Peace is one of the most ancient responses in worship. Let us share this peace with our neighbors.

Sunday, July 5, 2026

Summer Series: Bible Beach Reads

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

Prelude

Melody Raef

Welcome

Ilyssa Allen

⌞ **Call to Worship**

from Call to Worship

O Lord, you are gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
**You are good to all people,
with compassion for all of your creation.**
All your works give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful people bless you.
**They speak of the glory of your realm
and tell of your wondrous deeds.**
You are faithful in your words, O Lord,
and gracious in all your deeds.
**You uphold all who are falling
and raise up those who are bowed down.**

⌞ **Hymn of Praise**

#563 Lift Every Voice and Sing

⌞ **Call to Confession**

⌞ **Prayer of Confession**

[Silent Prayer] **Merciful God, in your gracious presence
we confess our sin and the sin of this world.**
**Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people
divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a
broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste
the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that
we harbor set neighbor against neighbor and nation against
nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and
freedom, of intellect and reason, and have turned them into
bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and
forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

⌞ **Declaration of Forgiveness**

⌞ **Response to God's Forgiving Love**

#579 Gloria Patri

⌞ **Passing of the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Proclaiming God's Word

This prayer calls on the Holy Spirit to empower the reading, understanding, Proclaiming, and living of God's word. This sense of utter reliance on the Spirit is an important and distinctive mark of our Reformed tradition.

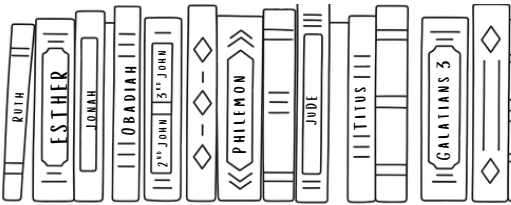
Helping Kids Learn to Worship

1. Sit near the front. Kids participate more when they can see.

2. Save worship kits for the scripture & sermon.

3. Help them follow along in the bulletin, hymnal, and Bible.

If your infant, toddler or preschooler cannot make it through the service, know there is a nursery available staffed by background-checked volunteers.



Time for Children

At this time, the young (and young at heart) are invited to come forward to the front pew for a conversation around the scripture.

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading

Deep Blue Kids' Bible p. 1010-1012 Pew Bible p. 750-751

The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

Special Music

Sermon

Sermon Notes

SUMMER BEACH READS: THE BOOK OF OBADIAH

WHEN?

WHERE?

WHO?

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

SO WHAT?

Rev. Crystal Varner Parker

Obadiah

Responding to God's Love

In the Presbyterian Church (USA), our book of Confessions has various creeds and confessions that help us to put into words what we believe.

The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy, but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love. All who come to the table are offered the bread and cup, regardless of their age or understanding.



We Offer Ourselves and Our Gifts to God https://bit.ly/PFPCGIVING Tithes and offerings may be placed in the offering plate or given electronically (scan QR code or go to link).

Departing to Serve

Our worship does not end with the postlude, but continues as we go into the world. We are sent to love and care for God's creation and people.

Affirmation of Faith

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn of Response

GTG #340 This Is My Song, (lyrics on insert)

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation & Prayer of Thanksgiving & Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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.

Words of Institution

Sharing the Elements

Prayer After Communion & Prayers of the People

Offertory

Response of Praise

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hymn of Sending

Charge and Benediction

Postlude

Nicene Creed

#592 Doxology

#564 O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

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