



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

PROVIDENCE FORGE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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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, October 11, 2026

Stewardship Series: The Enemies of Gratitude

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

Prelude

Melody Raef

Welcome

Olivia & Lily Davis

Introit

Seek Ye First

Choir

± **Call to Worship**

Call to Worship

When the path leads nowhere,
we become disoriented, and skies darken,
how do we find peace, O God?
When farewells are too many, tears won't stop,
and strength is gone,
how do we rest, O God?
When hope is hard, love is lost, and light is dim,
you give us one more breath, O God.

± **Hymn of Praise**

#415 Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy

± **Call to Confession**

± **Prayer of Confession**

Holy and merciful God,
**in your presence we confess
our failure to be what you created us to be.
You alone know how often we have sinned
in wandering from your ways,
in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love.
By your loving mercy, help us to live in your light
and abide in your ways,
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

± **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Hear the good news... In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!
Thanks be to God.

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

#581 Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now,
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.**

± **Passing of the Peace**

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

	Time for Children	Rev. Crystal Varner Parker
	At this time, the young (and young at heart) are invited to come forward to the front pew for a conversation around the scripture.	
Proclaiming God's Word	Prayer for Illumination	
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.	Scripture Reading	Matthew 22:1-14 Deep Blue Kids' Bible p. 1097 Pew Bible p. 803
	The Word of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.	
	Anthem	There Was Jesus Madison Raef and Tom Ballou
	Sermon	Rev. Crystal Varner Parker
	✚ Affirmation of Faith	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.	
	Moment for Celebration	
	✚ Hymn of Response	#762 When the Poor Ones
	Prayers of the People and the 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.	

	Offertory	
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).	✚ Response of Praise	#606 Doxology
	Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
	✚ Prayer of Thanksgiving	
	✚ Hymn of Sending	#623 I've Got Peace like a River
	Charge and Benediction	Rev. Crystal Varner Parker
	Postlude	Melody Raef
	Sermon Notes	
	Stewardship Series: The Enemies of Gratitude Worry	
	When? _____	
	Where? _____	
	Who? _____	
	What's happening? _____	
	So What? _____	
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