



Providence Church

A Reformed Evangelical Congregation

THE LORD'S SERVICE

September 18th, 2022

15th Sunday in Pentecost

In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, we at Providence Church open wide our doors and welcome all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; all who mourn and long for comfort; all who struggle and desire victory; all who sin and need the Savior; all who are strangers and want fellowship; all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; all who are poor in spirit and desire the riches of the gospel; all who will come to Jesus Christ in living faith and repentance, looking to Him as both Liberator and Lord.

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The King of Love My Shepherd Is

From Psalm 23

The musical score is written for voice and piano. It consists of three systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is one flat (B-flat) and the time signature is 3/2. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line. The first system contains the first six lines of the hymn. The second system contains lines 7 through 10. The third system contains lines 11 through 14. The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

1. ¹The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose
2. ²Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My
3. ⁴*Per - verse* and fool - ish oft I strayed, But
4. *In* death's dark vale I fear no ill With
5. ⁵Thou spread'st a ta - ble in my sight; Thine
6. ⁶And so through all the length of days Thy
good - ness fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
ran - somed soul He lead - eth, ³And where the ver - dant
yet in love He sought me, *And on His* shoul - der
Thee, dear Lord, be - side me; *Thy rod and staff* me
unc - tion grace be - stow - eth, And oh! what trans - port
good - ness fail - eth nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I
¹¹I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, And home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.
of de - light From Thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
sing Thy praise With - in Thy house for - ev - er.

Music: Old Irish hymn melody
Text: Henry W. Baker, 1868

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GOD IS RENEWING HIS COVENANT WITH HIS PEOPLE

GOD CALLS US AND CLEANSSES US

Prelude: *Ed Gregg and Jonathan Franzone.*
Pianist *Mr. Jonathan Franzone*
Exhortation *Ages and Aged*
Entrance Psalm (Please Stand): *Psalm 23, The King of Love, My Shepherd Is*
Call to Worship

Pastor: Let us worship God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 18:20; 28:19

People: Amen

Salutation: The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

People: And also with you!

Pastor: I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!"

Psalm 122:1-2

People: Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord!

People: Maker of Heaven and Earth!

Pastor: Dearly beloved brethren, if we say we have no sin we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Therefore, I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of heavenly grace.

Pastor: Come, let us worship and bow down!

People: And kneel before the Lord our Maker. *(Let all who are able kneel)*

Psalm 95:6

Pastor: Most merciful God,

All: We confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that we are not able to understand, but which are all known to you. For this reason, we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, through our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

(Continue Kneeling for Silent Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

(Rise and Hear the Good News of God's Forgiveness)

Pastor: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. On this day know surely your sins are forgiven through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Acts 13:38

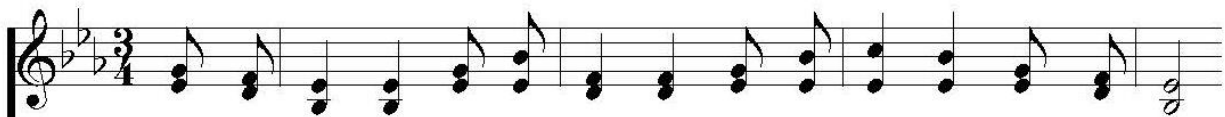
**All: Thanks be to God. Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name.
Amen!**

Hymn of Faith

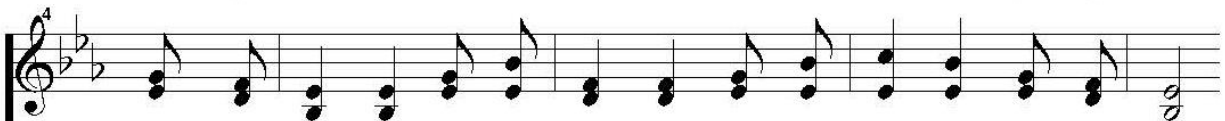
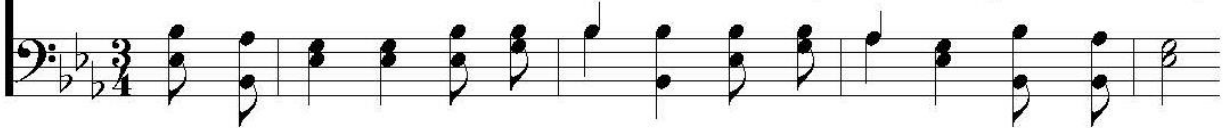
People: Amen

Come, Thou Fount

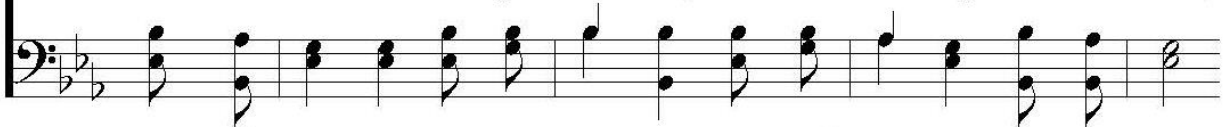
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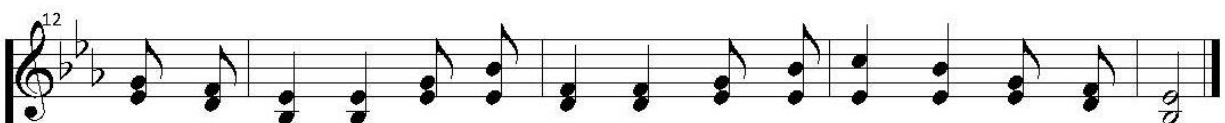
1. Come, Thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
 2. Here I raise mine Eb - e - ne - zer; Hith - er by Thy help I'm come;
 3. *Oh, to grace how great a debt - or Dai - ly I'm con - strained to be!*
 4. Oh! that day, when freed from sin - ning, I shall see Thy love - ly face;
 5. If Thou ev - er didst dis - cov - er To my faith the prom - ised land,



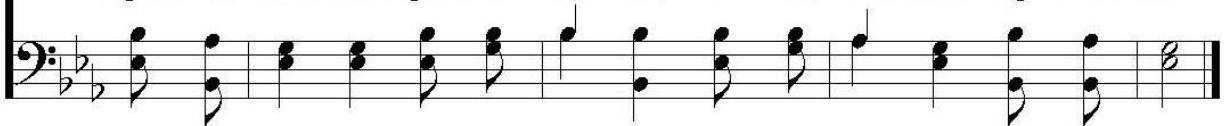
Streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, Call for songs of loud - est praise.
 And I hope, by Thy good pleas - ure, Safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
Let Thy good - ness, like a fet - ter, Bind my wan - d'ring heart to Thee:
 Rich - ly clothed in blood - washed lin - en How I'll sing Thy sov - 'reign grace;
 Bid me now the stream pass o - ver, On the Heav 'n - ly bor - der stand;



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, Sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger, Wand'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love;
 Come, my Lord, no long - er tar - ry, Take my ran - somed soul a - way;
 Now surmount what - e'er op - pos - es, In - to Thine em - brace I'd fly;



Praise the mount— I'm fixed up - on it— Mount of Thy re - deem - ing love.
 He, to res - cue me from dan - ger, In - ter - posed His pre - cious blood.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; Seal it for Thy courts a - bove.
 Send Thine an - gels now to car - ry Me to realms of end - less day.
 Speak the word Thou spake to Mo - ses; Bid me, "Get thee up and die."



GOD CONSECRATES AND RAISES US UP TO HEAVEN

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

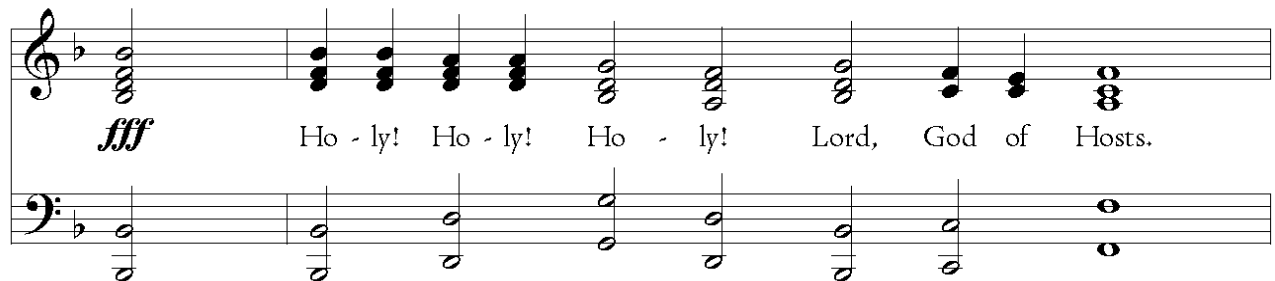
People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

People: It is proper and right to do so.

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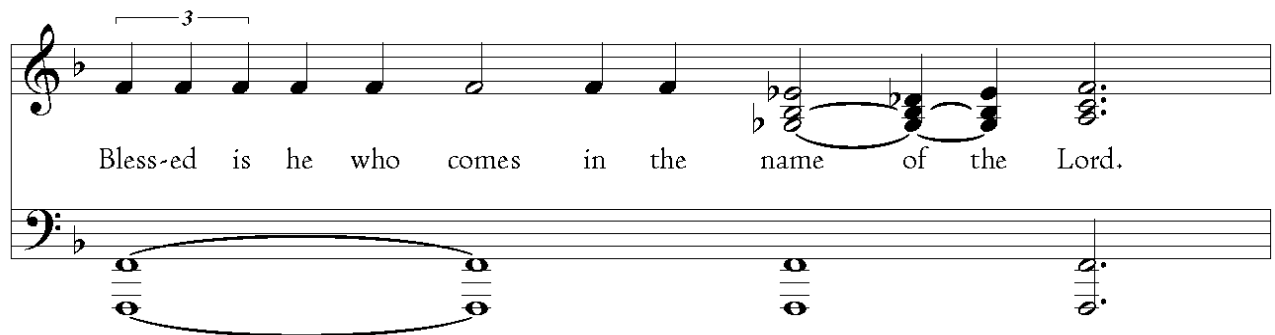
Pastor: Truly it is fitting, right, wholesome and beneficial that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks to You O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels, with all the company of heaven, and with all the Church on earth, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:




fff Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Lord, God of Hosts.



Hea-ven and earth are full of Your glo-ry! Ho-san-na in the High - est!



Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the High - - - est!

Pastor: By David. A psalm.

Yahweh's is the earth and her fullness,

People: The world and those who dwell in her,
Because he himself founded her upon the seas,
And upon the rivers he established her.

Who may ascend to Yahweh's mountain?

And who may stand in his holy place?

The clean of hands and pure of heart,

Who has not lifted up his soul to vanity,

And has not sworn to falsehood.

He will receive a blessing from Yahweh, and righteousness from the God of his salvation.

This is the generation of those who seek him,

Who seek your face, O Jacob. Selah.

Lift up your heads, O gates, and be lifted up, O everlasting doors,

And the king of glory will come in!

Who is this king of glory?

Yahweh, strong and mighty! Yahweh, mighty in battle!

Lift up your heads, O gates, and lift them up, you everlasting doors,

And the king of glory will come in!

Who is this king of glory?

Yahweh of hosts! He is the king of glory! Selah.

Amen!

All: Yes! Amen!

CONFESSION OF THE NICENE CREED

(Please Remain Standing)

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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. 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. With the Father and the Son He is worshiped and glorified. He 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.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND SUNG LORD'S PRAYER

Please respond at the end of each section:

Pastor: Father, hear our prayer!

People: For Your steadfast love endures forever!

The Lord's Prayer

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav - en, hal-low-ed be Thy name, Thy king - dom come,

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heav - en. Give us this day our dai - ly bread,

and for - give us our debts, as we for - give our debt - ors,

and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us from e - vil.

For thine is the king - dom, and the pow - er, and the glo - ry for - ev - er. A - men!

READING OF GOD'S WORD

(Please Stand)

Old Covenant Reading:

Psalm 119: 65-72

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

New Covenant Reading:

2 Corinthians 4:13-18

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Reading Amidst the People:

Matthew 5:3-12

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

People: Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of Faith:

Now Shall My Inward Joys Arise

People: Amen

SERMON

Pastor: Rev. Douglas Wilson

Title: **Light Afflictions**

Text: 2 Corinthians 4:13-18

OFFERTORY

(Ex. 23:15; 34:20; Dt. 16:16)

Pastor: Let us worship God with our tithes and offerings.

Psalm of Response:

Psalm 68, Let God Arise in All His Might

People: Amen

Now Shall My Inward Joys Arise

1. Now shall my in - ward joys a - rise, And
 2. God on His thirst - y Zi - on hill Some
 3. Why do we then in - dulse our fears, Sus -
 4. Can a kind wom - an e'er for - get The
 5. "Yet," saith the Lord, "should na - ture change, And
 6. "Deep on the palms of both My hands I

melody

burst in - to a song; Al - might - y love in -
 mer - cy drops has thrown, And sol - emn oaths have
 pi - cions, and com - plaints? Is He a God, and
 in - fant of her womb? And 'mongst a thou - sand
 moth - ers mon - sters prove, Zi - on still dwells up -
 have en - graved her name; My hands shall raise her

10
 spires my heart, And pleas - ure tunes my tongue.
 bound His love To show'r sal - va - tion down.
 shall His grace Grow wea - ry of His saints?
 ten - der thoughts Her suck - ling have no room?
 on the heart Of ev - er - last - ing love.
 ru - ined walls, And build her bro - ken frame?"

Music: William Billings (1746–1800)
 Text: Isaac Watts (1674–1748)

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Let God Arise in All His Might

Based on Psalm 68:1-6, 32-35

Dm C Am B♭ Dm Am G Dm

1. Let God a - rise in all His might And put the troops of Hell to flight,
 2. He rides and thun - ders through the sky, His name, Je - ho - vah, sounds on high;
 3. He breaks the cap - tive's heav - y chain, And pri - s'ners see the light a - gain;
 4. He shakes the heav'ns with loud a - larms; How ter - ri - ble is God in arms!

B♭ Am Dm C B♭ C Am Dm

As smoke that sought to cloud the skies Be - fore the ris - ing tem - pest flies.
 Sing to His name, ye sons of grace; Ye saints, re - joice be - fore His face.
 But re - bels that dis - pute His will Shall dwell in chains and dark - ness still.
 In Is - rael are His mer - cies known, Is - rael is His pe - cu - liar throne.

B♭ Am Dm C Dm C/E C Dm

He comes ar - rayed in burn - ing flames, Just - ice and Ven - geance are His names;
 The wi - dow and the fa - ther - less Fly to His aid in sharp dis - tress;
 King doms and thrones to God be - long; Crown Him, ye na - tions, in your song;
 Pro claim Him King, pro nounce Him blest; He's your de - fense, your joy, your rest:

B♭ Am Dm C Dm B♭ C Dm

Be - hold His faint - ing foes ex - pire, Like melt - ing wax be - fore the fire.
 In Him the poor and help - less find A judge that's just, a fa - ther kind.
 His won - drous names and pow'rs rehearse; His hon - ors shall en - rich your verse.
 When ter - rors rise and na - tions faint, God is the strength of ev - 'ry saint.

Offertory Prayer:

Pastor: Christians, how do you respond to our Lord?

**People: We give only what the Lord has first given to us.
We present ourselves as living sacrifices,
And we offer the sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving.
We cheerfully give these tithes and offerings
In obedience to the Lord, for the glory of His Name,
The health of the Church, and for the sake of the world. Amen.**

GOD COMMUNES WITH US

The Lord's Supper is observed every Sunday as the climax of covenant renewal worship. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the Session of this local Church that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the pastors before or after the service.

Passing of the Bread: **("The Lord be with you" "The Lord bless you")**

Passing of the Wine: **("The Peace of Christ be with you" "And also with you")**

Congregational Response: **Gloria Patri**

(Please Stand with Hands Raised)

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,

A-men, A-men.

GOD COMMISSIONS US

The Lord's Commission:

Matthew 28:18-20

Pastor: Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord!

People: Let all flesh bless His holy name forever and ever. Amen!

Psalm 145:21

Closing Psalm:

Psalm 98, Oh, Sing a New Song to the Lord

People: Amen!

Benediction:

Numbers 6:24-26

Threefold Amen

Announcements

Pastor: Go in peace to love and to serve our Risen Lord!

All: Amen!

Oh, Sing a New Song to the LORD

From Psalm 98:1-3

1. ¹Oh, sing a new song to the LORD, For won-ders He has done,

For won - ders He has done; His right hand and His ho - ly arm

The vic - to - ry have won, The
The vic - to - ry have
The

The vic - to - ry have won, The vic - to - ry have
vic - to - ry have won, The vic - to - ry have won.
won, The vic - to - ry have won.
vic - to - ry have won, The vic - to - ry have won.
won, The vic - to - ry have won.

2. ²The great salvation wrought by Him
Jehovah has made known.
His justice in the nations' sight
He openly has shown.

3. ³He mindful of His grace and truth
To Israel's house has been,
The great salvation of our God
All ends of earth have seen.

Oh, Sing a New Song to the LORD

Cont'd, Psalm 98:4-9

4. 4 O all the earth, sing to the LORD And make a joy - ful sound,

6 And make a joy - ful sound, Lift up your voice a - loud to Him;

13 Sing psalms! Let joy re - sound! Sing
Sing psalms! Let joy re -
Sing

17 sound! Sing psalms!
psalms! Let joy re - sound! Sing psalms! Let joy re - sound!
sound! Sing psalms!

5. 5 With harp make music to the LORD;
With harp, a psalm O sing!

6 With horn and trumpet raise a shout
Before the LORD, the King.

6. 7 Let seas in all their vastness roar,
The world, its living horde.

8 Let rivers clap, let mountains sing
Their joy 9 before the LORD!

7. Because He comes, He surely comes,
The judge of earth to be!
With justice He will judge the world,
All men with equity.

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