



# Providence

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



*Faithfulness and Rewards*

July 31, 2022

## THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

### *Faithfulness and Rewards*

#### PRELUDE

#### WELCOME AND PPC FAMILY NEWS

#### TIME OF REFLECTION AND PREPARATION

*Psalm 72:12-14, 17-19*

##### NEW SONG

*He will save the needy when they call, save the poor, and those who have no help.  
He has pity on the poor and weak, and he saves the lives of those in need.  
From oppression, and from every violence, He redeems their life and buys them back!  
And how precious is their lifeblood, how their life is precious in His sight!*

*May his name endure forevermore, may it grow as under shining sun.  
And may people then be blessed in him, and may all the nations call him blessed.  
May the Lord God who alone does wonders, may the God of Israel be blessed!  
Blessed be His name, glorious forever, may His glory fill the earth! Amen.*

*He Will Save the Needy.* Brian E. Coombs. from *The Book of Psalms for Worship*, © Crown and Covenant Publications.

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

All: *I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in Him I will trust."*

Leader: Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler and from the perilous pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler.

*Psalm 91*

### INVOCATION

# Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Walter Chalmers Smith, 1867

## Trinity 38

JOANNA (or ST. DENIO); Traditional Welsh Hymn Melody

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,  
3. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther of light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

## OLD TESTAMENT READING

You shall not pervert justice due the stranger or the fatherless, nor take a widow's garment as a pledge. But you shall remember that you were a slave in Egypt, and the LORD your God redeemed you from there; therefore I command you to do this thing. When you reap your harvest in your field, and forget a sheaf in the field, you shall not go back to get it; it shall be for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, that the LORD your God may bless you in all the work of your hands. When you beat your olive trees, you shall not go over the boughs again; it shall be for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow. When you gather the grapes of your vineyard, you shall not glean it afterward; it shall be for the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow. And you shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt; therefore I command you to do this thing.

*Deuteronomy 24:17-22*

## NEW TESTAMENT READING

Honor widows who are really widows. But if any widow has children or grandchildren, let them first learn to show piety at home and to repay their parents; for this is good and acceptable before God. Now she who is really a widow, and left alone, trusts in God and continues in supplications and prayers night and day. But she who lives in pleasure is dead while she lives. And these things command, that they may be blameless. But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever.

Do not let a widow under sixty years old be taken into the number, and not unless she has been the wife of one man, well reported for good works: if she has brought up children, if she has lodged strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted, if she has diligently followed every good work.

But refuse the younger widows; for when they have begun to grow wanton against Christ, they desire to marry, having condemnation because they have cast off their first faith. And besides they learn to be idle, wandering about from house to house, and not only idle but also gossips and busybodies, saying things which they ought not. Therefore I desire that the younger widows marry, bear children, manage the house, give no opportunity to the adversary to speak reproachfully. For some have already turned aside after Satan. If any believing man or woman has widows, let them relieve them, and do not let the church be burdened, that it may relieve those who are really widows.

*1 Timothy 5:1-16*

## NEW SONG

*The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want;  
 He maketh me lie down in green pastures.  
 He leads me by still waters, and he restores my soul.  
 He leads me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.  
 Even though I walk through the valley of death,  
 I will fear no evil; for thou art with me;  
 Thy rod and staff, the comfort me.  
 Thou preparest a table in the presence of my enemies;  
 Thou anointest me with oil, my cup o'erflows.  
 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all my life,  
 And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever and ever. Amen.*

*Psalm 23 © Hal Leonard, Shawnee Press*

*As the Deer*

arr. J. Moser, 2006



As the deer pant-eth for the wa-ter, so my soul long-eth af-ter Thee.  
 You're my friend and You are my bro-ther, ev-en tho' You are a King.  
 I want You more than gold or sil-ver, on-ly You can sa-tis-fy.



You a-lone are my heart's de-sire, and I long to wor-ship Thee.  
 I love You more than an-y oth-er, so much more than an-y-thing.  
 You a-lone are the real joy giv-er, and the ap-ple of my eye.



You a-lone are my strength, my shield; to You, a-lone, may my spir-it yield.



You a-lone are my heart's de-sire, and I long to wor-ship Thee.

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## WORSHIP IN GIVING

### Offertory

### He Brought Me Out

*Psalm 40*

NEW SONG

*My heart was distressed 'neath Jehovah's dread frown,  
and low in the pit where my sins dragged me down.*

*I cried to the Lord from the deep, miry clay,  
who tenderly brought me out to golden day.*

*He placed me upon the strong rock by his side.*

*My steps were established, and here I'll abide.*

*No danger of falling while here I remain,  
I'll stand by His grace until the crown I gain.*

*He brought me out of the miry clay;*

*He set my feet on the Rock to stay;*

*He puts a song in my soul today,*

*A song of praise, Hallelujah!*

*He gave me a song; 'twas a new song of praise.*

*By day and by night its sweet notes I will raise.*

*My heart's overflowing; I'm happy and free.*

*I'll praise my Redeemer, who has rescued me.*

*I'll sing of His wonderful mercy to me;*

*I'll praise Him till all men His goodness shall see;*

*I'll sing of salvation at home and abroad,*

*Till many shall hear the truth and trust in God.*

Words: Henry J. Zelle, 1898, Refrain by Henry L. Gilmour, 1898. MUSIC H. L. G. 1898. Public Domain

### The Tender Love a Father Has

### Trinity 93

From *Psalm 103:13-18 The Psalter*, 1912

CAITHNESS: *Scottish Psalter*, 1635

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems of music. The first system contains five verses of lyrics. The second system contains the continuation of the lyrics, including a line with a bullet point. The third system contains the continuation of the lyrics. The fourth system contains the continuation of the lyrics. The score uses standard musical notation with treble and bass staves, and the lyrics are written below the staves.

1. The ten - der love a fa - ther has for all his chil - dren dear,  
2. The Lord re - mem - bers we are dust, and all our frail - ty knows;  
3. The flow'r is with - ered by the wind that smites with blight - ing breath;  
4. Un - chang - ing is the love of God, from age to age the same,  
5. Those who his gra - cious cov - 'nant keep the Lord will ev - er bless;

such love the Lord be - stows on them who wor - ship him in fear.  
man's days are like the ten - der grass, and as the flow'r he grows.  
• so man is quick - ly swept a - way be - fore the blast of death.  
dis - played to all who do his will and rev - er - ence his name.  
their chil - dren's chil - dren shall re - joice to see his righ - teous - ness.

## PASTORAL PRAYER

### SERMON

Ruth 2:1-23<sup>NKJV</sup>

### *New Girl in Town*

Rev. Rick Appleton

<sup>1</sup> There was a relative of Naomi's husband, a man of great wealth, of the family of Elimelech. His name *was* Boaz. <sup>2</sup> So Ruth the Moabite said to Naomi, "Please let me go to the field, and glean heads of grain after *him* in whose sight I may find favor." And she said to her, "Go, my daughter." <sup>3</sup> Then she left, and went and gleaned in the field after the reapers. And she happened to come to the part of the field *belonging* to Boaz, who *was* of the family of Elimelech.

<sup>4</sup> Now behold, Boaz came from Bethlehem, and said to the reapers, "The LORD *be* with you!" And they answered him, "The LORD bless you!" <sup>5</sup> Then Boaz said to his servant who was in charge of the reapers, "Whose young woman *is* this?" <sup>6</sup> So the servant who was in charge of the reapers answered and said, "It is the young Moabite woman who came back with Naomi from the country of Moab." <sup>7</sup> "And she said, 'Please let me glean and gather after the reapers among the sheaves.' So she came and has continued from morning until now, though she rested a little in the house." <sup>8</sup> Then Boaz said to Ruth, "You will listen, my daughter, will you not? Do not go to glean in another field, nor go from here, but stay close by my young women." <sup>9</sup> "Let your eyes *be* on the field which they reap, and go after them. Have I not commanded the young men not to touch you? And when you are thirsty, go to the vessels and drink from what the young men have drawn." <sup>10</sup> So she fell on her face, bowed down to the ground, and said to him, "Why have I found favor in your eyes, that you should take notice of me, since I *am* a foreigner?" <sup>11</sup> And Boaz answered and said to her, "It has been fully reported to me, all that you have done for your mother-in-law since the death of your husband, and *how* you have left your father and your mother and the land of your birth, and have come to a people whom you did not know before." <sup>12</sup> "The LORD repay your work, and a full reward be given you by the LORD God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge." <sup>13</sup> Then she said, "Let me find favor in your sight, my lord; for you have comforted me, and have spoken kindly to your maidservant, though I am not like one of your maidservants." <sup>14</sup> Now Boaz said to her at mealtime, "Come here, and eat of the bread, and dip your piece of bread in the vinegar." So she sat beside the reapers, and he passed parched *grain* to her; and she ate and was satisfied, and kept some back. <sup>15</sup> And when she rose up to glean, Boaz commanded his young men, saying, "Let her glean even among the sheaves, and do not reproach her." <sup>16</sup> "Also let *grain* from the bundles fall purposely for her; leave *it* that she may glean, and do not rebuke her." <sup>17</sup> So she gleaned in the field until evening, and beat out what she had gleaned, and it was about an ephah of barley.

<sup>18</sup> Then she took *it* up and went into the city, and her mother-in-law saw what she had gleaned. So she brought out and gave to her what she had kept back after she had been satisfied. <sup>19</sup> And her mother-in-law said to her, "Where have you gleaned today? And where did you work? Blessed be the one who took notice of you." So she told her mother-in-law with whom she had worked, and said, "The man's name with whom I worked today *is* Boaz." <sup>20</sup> Then Naomi said to her daughter-in-law, "Blessed *be* he of the LORD, who has not forsaken His kindness to the living and the dead!" And Naomi said to her, "This man *is* a relation of ours, one of our close relatives." <sup>21</sup> Ruth the Moabitess said, "He also said to me, 'You shall stay close by my young men until they have finished all my harvest.'" <sup>22</sup> And Naomi said to Ruth her daughter-in-law, "*It is* good, my daughter, that you go out with his young women, and that people do not meet you in any other field." <sup>23</sup> So she stayed close by the young women of Boaz, to glean until the end of barley harvest and wheat harvest; and she dwelt with her mother-in-law.

### **Notes**



# Under the Care of My God, the Almighty

From Psalm 91 Bible Songs Hymnal, 1927

Trinity 84

UNDER HIS WINGS: Ira D. Sankey, 1840-1908

1. Un - der the care of my God, the Al - might - y, safe in the  
 2. Be not a - fraid for the ter - ror of mid - night, nor for the  
 3. Seek the Most High for thy sure hab - i - ta - tion, un - to Je -  
 4. Love thou the Lord, sure - ly he will de - liv - er; he will ex -

se - cret place of the Most High! He is my ref - uge, the  
 ar - row that hast - eth to slay; fear not the pes - ti - lence  
 ho - vah for ref - uge now fly; there shall no e - vil be -  
 alt thee and an - swer thy prayer; he will be with thee to

Lord is my for - tress, him I am trust - ing when trou - ble is nigh,  
 walk - ing in dark - ness, nor the de - stroy - er that wast - eth by day,  
 fall thee nor harm thee, un - to thy dwell - ing no plague shall come nigh.  
 hon - or and give thee life with - out end, his sal - va - tion to share.

REFRAIN

Un - der his wings, un - der his wings, safe in the ref - uge hide thee;

trust - ing his truth and faith - ful - ness, no e - vil can be - tide thee.

## BENEDICTION AND POSTLUDE

*Following the service, the elders will be available to pray with you at the front of the sanctuary.*

**Deacon of the Month:** Dave Douglas

**Gate Keeper:** Brannoc Jackson

**Counters:** Terry Caldwell and Greg Regester

**Greeters:** Jake Noullet and Anette Jakiel

**Live Stream Operators:**

Tori Jackson – Morning Worship Service

Kelly Kauffman – Evening Worship Service

**Adult Sunday School**

**The Letters of Peter**

Elder Don Maurer  
Room 409

**The Book of Job**

Elder Dave Douglas  
Fellowship Hall

**Schedule for Childcare This Sunday, July 31**

Sunday School Nursery	Nathan and Judith Dinsmore	9:15 a.m.
Infant Nursery	Denise and Rachel Baird	10:30 a.m.
Toddler Nursery	Joe and Bethany Zygorzinski	10:30 a.m.
Children's Church	David and Esther GoForth	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship Service	Suzanne, Esther, and Ruth Auman	6:00 p.m.

**Schedule for Childcare Next Sunday, August 7**

Sunday School Nursery	TBA	9:15 a.m.
Infant Nursery	TBA	10:30 a.m.
Toddler Nursery	TBA	10:30 a.m.
Children's Church	TBA	10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship Service	TBA	6:00 p.m.

### **JULY 31**

Sun.	Instruments of Providence	8:30 a.m.
	Sanctuary Choir warm-up	8:45 a.m.
	Sunday School for all ages	9:15 a.m.
	Morning Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
	Evening Worship Service	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	GriefShare Ministry	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	Presbycon	9:00 a.m.
	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	9:30 a.m.

### **AUGUST 7**

Sun.	Instruments of Providence	8:30 a.m.
	Sanctuary Choir warm-up	8:45 a.m.
	Sunday School for all ages	9:15 a.m.
	Morning Worship Service	10:30 a.m.
	Evening Worship Service	6:00 p.m.
Wed.	GriefShare Ministry	6:30 p.m.
Sat.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	9:30 a.m.

### **Financial Update Through June**

2022 Actual Giving	\$399,000
Previous Year Giving	\$366,000
2022 Budget	\$364,000
2022 Total Expenses	\$388,000
Actual Operational Expenses	\$349,000
Actual Capital Expenses	\$39,000
Williams Fund	\$32,000
Garrett Fund	\$23,000
Adoption Fund	\$4,000

### **Evening Worship Service**

Join us tonight at 6:00 p.m. for our evening worship service. Rev. Rick Appleton will be preaching on Ephesians 6:21-24, *"Peace, Love, Faith and Grace"*.

### **Geneva College's New Song**

We welcome to our worship this morning New Song, a music and drama group sponsored by Geneva College and directed by our own Lindsay Shaffer. For 45 years New Song has traveled widely across the United States and Canada and has traveled twice to mainland China. Nine students are chosen in January for the group that begins their service in the summer following. Students are chosen because of their musical and dramatic abilities and because of the way they can articulate and convey their faith. A generous stipend is earned by the members for their year-long commitment. The group is concluding their annual Summer tour and we are blessed to be included as their last stop.

### **PresbyCon**

This year's PresbyCon will be held on August 6th from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the church. Come and meet people from across the Presbytery as we enjoy a day of board games and fellowship. Please go to [presbycon.weebly.com](http://presbycon.weebly.com) for more information and to sign up. Please see Brandon Pickett if you have any questions.

### **Providence Summer Picnic**

Join us for our Providence picnic on Wednesday, August 17, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at Clever Park Rotary Pavilion. The deacons will be providing the main dish. We are asking for everyone to bring some food. If your last name begins with A-M please bring a dessert; last names beginning with N-Z please bring a salad or side dish. Sign-up at the information desk in the foyer, or email Karen at [secretary@providencepgh.org](mailto:secretary@providencepgh.org). Please contact Pat Martin at 412-716-4081 with any questions.

### **Tabletalk**

The August edition of *Tabletalk* is available on the information table.

## **Men's Bible Fellowship Roadshow!**

The Roadshow is heading to the home of Trey Jackson, August 19, at 6:30 p.m. Hosts provide the food. Everyone attending should give \$7 to the host in order to defray the costs. Also, check with the host if you would like to bring something. The Bible study begins at 7:00 p.m. Please sign up at the desk in the foyer and include your email address, as study materials will be sent out to you via email the week of the meeting.

## **Providence Community Festival Booths: Volunteers Needed**

The Outreach Committee is pleased to announce the return of the Providence booth at several local community events this summer! This year, we'll have a booth at both the Kennedy Days festival (Thursday, August 18th through Saturday, August 20th at Fairhaven Park) as well as the Robinson Autumn Festival (Saturday, September 17th at Burkett Recreation Complex). Volunteers from Providence can sign up for 2-hour time slots (one slot or multiple) to represent our church and hand out free Bibles and other church information at either of these events. The sign-up form for Kennedy Days will be out on the sign-up table through July, and the form for the Robinson Autumn Festival will be out later in August. Please consider volunteering or stopping by to support our volunteers as they represent our church at these events, and pray that the Lord will bless our local community through these efforts! Contact Adam Shaffer at adamshaffer89@gmail.com or 412-215-1846 for any questions or details.

## **2022 Always Ready Youth Event**

### **APOLOGETICS 101: THE BASICS by Ligonier Ministries**

Christian young people face a variety of attacks on the truth of Christianity, and it is vital that they be prepared to give an answer for the hope within them. To help equip young Christian men and women for defending the faith, Stephen Nichols will provide an overview of key issues in apologetics and give answers to some of the most common attacks on the Christian faith. This event, designed for ages 12-18, is being held on Thursday, August 18, 2022, from 6:00-9:00 PM at New Covenant Presbyterian Church in Monroeville, PA. Registration price of \$25 per person includes a T-shirt. See Sonya Eurich for more information or go to [www.ligonier.org/posts/2022-always-ready-conference-in-pittsburgh](http://www.ligonier.org/posts/2022-always-ready-conference-in-pittsburgh) to register.

## **Personal Finance Course @ Providence This Fall**

What if you were following a plan for your money that you KNEW worked? With Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, you CAN take control of your money, get out of debt, and create a plan for your future. This 9-week personal finance course will be held this fall at Providence Presbyterian Church on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. starting on Wednesday September 14. Scholarships are available. Childcare is provided. Please sign up/register for this class at the sign-up sheet in the foyer. If you're interested in learning more about this valuable course or would like to inquire about a scholarship, see Caleb Jakiel (412-995-8067) or Tim Martin (412-865-5456).

## **Gatekeeper Signup Sheet**

The gatekeeper signup sheet for September is available on the desk in the foyer. Please sign up! If you have any questions, please see Denny Stewart.

# Robinson Township Christian School

**Robinson Township Christian School is excited to announce openings for the following positions for the 2022-2023 academic year due to growth in enrollment:**

**5th & 6th Grade Teacher** (Full-time, all subjects)

**Science Teacher** (9th-12th grade; Part-time; Chemistry, Physics & General Science)

**Art Teacher** (K-6th; Part-time)

**Home Economics Teacher** (7th-8th grade, One class per week)

For additional information or to apply for a position, please send a Letter of Interest and Resume to: Mary Kenyon, Principal, and the Education Committee at [hr@trtcsonline.org](mailto:hr@trtcsonline.org) applicants must be a member in good standing of a confessional Reformed church and possess a bachelor's degree.

Since RTCS is hiring many new staff members for the upcoming school year, some will be relocating and looking for housing in the area. If you own rental properties or know of opportunities for local housing, please contact Dave West at [dwest@trtcsonline.org](mailto:dwest@trtcsonline.org).

Robinson Township Christian School | 77 Phillips Lane,  
Robinson Twp., PA 15136 | 412-787-5919

## **PRAYER REMINDER**

To become a prayer partner or place a prayer request with the **prayer chain**, please call or email Jan T. 412-787-1609, [janandgerry6@verizon.net](mailto:janandgerry6@verizon.net)  
Please notify the Church office by phone at 412-788-6100 or email at [secretary@providencepgh.org](mailto:secretary@providencepgh.org) if you have any additions, deletions, or updates to the **Bulletin Prayer Reminder**.

### **Members of PPC**

Phil and Katie B. praise, expecting in December  
Terry C. prayer, Terry was recently diagnosed with prostate cancer; prayer for good results from upcoming radiation treatment  
Cody and Dori M. praise, expecting in December  
\*Sergio and Erin M. praise, expecting twins in October  
Nicole O. prayer for her family as her mom is now in hospice  
Jacob and Danielle S. praise, expecting in January  
Kim S. prayer for recovery from foot surgery

### **Friends of PPC**

David D. Cindy C. son, prayer for continued good results from chemotherapy, and for strength as he prepares for surgery in the future  
Jon and Jamie D. Jim and Tina S. daughter - praise, expecting in October  
Dan and Katie E. Terry and Cindy C. daughter – praise, expecting in November  
Susan G. Nancy G. daughter – praise, surgery was successful, prayer for recovery  
Derek and Rachel H. praise, expecting in September  
Matteo Todd H. & Mary Beth P. six-year-old grandson, prayer for successful chemotherapy treatment with little side effects  
Gregg M. Don M. brother –prayer for continued recovery from intestinal surgery and sepsis  
David and Heather S. Ed and Sally P. daughter - praise, expecting in October

***Bold and italic*** - new or recent request

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# Reformed doctrine. Reverent worship. Real life.

In keeping with the Great Commission, Providence strives to be a transformed Christian community, centered in the worship of God and bearing witness to the gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord. As Christ's disciples, we endeavor to build vibrant lives, strong families, and a fellowship in which members care for and love one another and together seek the well-being of our city, state, and world. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we seek to develop a vital preaching and teaching ministry aimed at drawing men and women to Christ; healing, comforting and nurturing them in the faith; equipping them for service, and deploying them effectively into all walks of life.



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