PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP - January 21st, 2024—11:00 a.m.

Song of Ascent Welcome and Announcements Prelude Creation Sings the Father's Song (Getty)

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire (#597) *Please stand if you are able.

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

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Psalm 145:18-21

- LEADER: The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.
- PEOPLE: He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.
- LEADER: The Lord watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.
- PEOPLE: My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord. Let every creature praise his holy name forever and ever.

*HYMN OF PRAISE Creation Sings the Father's Song

 Creation sings the Father's song; He calls the sun to wake the dawn And run the course of day Till evening falls in crimson rays. His fingerprints in flakes of snow, His breath upon this spinning globe, He charts the eagle's flight; Commands the newborn baby's cry.

CHORUS

Hallelujah!

Let all creation stand and sing, Hallelujah! Fill the earth with songs of worship; Tell the wonders of creation's King.

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- Creation gazed upon His face; The ageless One in time's embrace Unveiled the Father's plan Of reconciling God and man. A second Adam walked the earth, Whose blameless life would break the curse, Whose death would set us free To live with Him eternally.
 - CHORUS
- 3. Creation longs for His return, When Christ shall reign upon the earth; The bitter wars that rage Are birth pains of a coming age. When He renews the land and sky, All heav'n will sing and earth reply With one resplendent theme: The glories of our God and King! CHORUS

GOD INVITES US TO THE MEANS OF GRACE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

ALL: We believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

We believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. *universal

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

"...let each [husband] love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband. Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ...Bondservants, obey your earthly masters with fear and trembling, with a sincere heart, as you would Christ..."

SILENT AND PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

SCRIPTURE READING	Matthew 5:1-12
OFFERTORY	The Compassion Hymn
PASTORAL PRAYER	
*HYMN OF PREPARATION	. Searcher of Hearts, From Mine Erase, #536
SERMON 1 Peter "God's Design for Hu	
*HYMN OF RESPONSE Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire, #597	

Apostle's Creed

Romans 6:22-23

Ephesians 5:33; 6:1, 5

GOD BLESSES US & SENDS US OUT

*BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20-21

"Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen."

*Closing Hymn Doxology, #732

POSTLUDE

Creation Sings the Father's Song (Getty)

Providence JANUARY Birthdays

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