

PROVIDENCE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 1, 2026

The Fourth Sunday of Epiphany

THE LORD'S DAY

February 1, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

RE Tom Sell

Preparation for Worship

* CALL TO WORSHIP - RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 67:1-7

To the choirmaster: with stringed instruments. A Psalm. A Song.

¹May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
²that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.

³Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁴Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.

⁵Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

⁶The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.

⁷God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

*Congregation Standing ◦ **Bold body of text recited together.**

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* HYMN OF PRAISE 437

O God, to Us Show Mercy

Words: Psalm 67 (*The Psalter*, 1912). Tune: MEIRONYDD (Welsh hymn melody), William Lloyd, 1840.

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face shine upon us. Ps. 67:1

1. O God, to us show mer - cy and bless us in your grace;
 2. O God, let all men praise you, let all the na - tions sing;
 3. O God, let peo - ple praise you, let all the na - tions sing,

cause now to shine up - on us the bright - ness of your face;
 in ev - 'ry land let prais - es and songs of glad - ness ring;
 for earth in rich a - bun - dance to us her fruit shall bring.

that so your way most ho - ly on earth may soon be known,
 for you shall judge the peo - ple in truth and righ - teous - ness,
 The Lord our God shall bless us, our God shall bless - ing send.

and un - to ev - 'ry peo - ple your sav - ing grace be shown.
 and through the earth the na - tions shall your just rule con - fess.
 and all the earth shall fear him to its re - mot - est end.

*** PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

John Oecolampadius†

**Almighty God and heavenly Father,
we poor, miserable sinners confess that from childhood until this very hour
we have sinned against your commandments
by evil thoughts, words, will, and works, which cannot count,
and first of all by vast unbelief.**

**Therefore, we are unworthy to be called your children,
nor lift our eyes up to heaven.**

O God and Father, we wish that we had never provoked you to anger.

In your mercy and for the sake of your glory,

we ask you to receive us into your grace by the forgiveness of our sins. – Amen.

(Silent Confession)

ASSURANCE OF PARDONING GRACE

Colossians 1:19-22

Leader: *For all who have confessed their sins and have fled to Christ for mercy,
hear this word of assurance:*

¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

²¹And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, ²²he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him.

[†]*John Oecolampadius (1482-1531) ~ German Protestant Reformer who ministered in Basel;
he wrote two liturgies: **The Testament of Jesus Christ** (1523) and **Form and Manner** (1526).*

* HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

The Sands of Time are Sinking

Words: Anne R. Cousin, 1857 (Based upon letters of Samuel Rutherford, 1600-1661.)
Music: Traditional Folk Tune; arranged by Philip Palmertree and Belmont RUF. ©2001 Philip Palmertree Music.

1. The sands of time are sinking, the dawn of heaven breaks;
The summer morn I've sighed for – the fair, sweet morn awakes:
Dark, dark had been the midnight but dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth ... in Emmanuel's land.
2. The king there in His beauty, without a veil is seen:
It were a well-spent journey, though seven deaths lay between:
The Lamb with His fair army, doth on Mount Zion stand,
And glory, glory dwelleth ... in Emmanuel's land.
3. O Christ, He is the fountain, the deep, sweet well of love!
The streams on earth I've tasted more deep I'll drink above:
There to an ocean fullness His mercy doth expand,
And glory, glory dwelleth ... In Emmanuel's land.
4. The bride eyes not her garment, but her dear Bridegroom's face;
I will not gaze at glory but on my King of grace.
Not at the crown He giveth but on His pierced hand;
The Lamb is all the glory ... of Emmanuel's land.
5. O I am my Beloved's and my Beloved is mine!
He brings a poor vile sinner into His house of wine
I stand upon His merit – I know no other stand,
Not e'en where glory dwelleth ... in Emmanuel's land.

* CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

From: *First Catechism ~ Teaching Children Bible Truths*

Question 147: *Will the bodies of all the dead be raised again?*

Answer: Yes. At the last day some will be raised to everlasting life and others to everlasting death.

Question 148: *What will God do to unbelievers at the last day?*

Answer: He will judge them, and condemn them to everlasting punishment in the lake of fire with Satan and his angels.

Question 149: *What will God do for believers at the last day?*

Answer: He will give them a home with him in the new heaven and the new earth.

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
 Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,
 begotten of His Father before all worlds,
 God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God,
 begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;
 by whom all things were made;
 who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven,
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man;
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered and was buried;
 and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,
 and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
 and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;
 whose kingdom shall have no end.
And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified;
 who spoke by the prophets;
And we believe in one holy catholic[†] and apostolic church;
 we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins;
 and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. – Amen.

RESPONDING TO THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS‡

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

RE Dr. Jeremy Dalton

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.

[†]The word “Catholic” means *universal* or *whole*.
It is not specifically referring to the Roman church, but all believers throughout the world.

‡While there are many ways to contribute financially to God's Kingdom, the Church is the primary means by which that kingdom is established on earth. Thus, God calls us first and foremost to be faithful in the regular, ongoing support of one's local church body through tithes and offerings. If you haven't made tithing a practice, please consider adopting tithing or generous giving as a spiritual practice – that you might grow in faith and that together we might increase Providence's capacity to be the body of Christ in Lubbock for the world.

SERMON

Rev. Lee Wright
Isaiah 61:1-11

¹The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good news to the poor; he has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to those who are bound; ²to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all who mourn; ³to grant to those who mourn in Zion – to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead of mourning, the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit; that they may be called oaks of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified. ⁴They shall build up the ancient ruins; they shall raise up the former devastations; they shall repair the ruined cities, the devastations of many generations. ⁵Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks; foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers; ⁶but you shall be called the priests of the Lord; they shall speak of you as the ministers of our God; you shall eat the wealth of the nations, and in their glory you shall boast. ⁷Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion; instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot; therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion; they shall have everlasting joy. ⁸For I the Lord love justice; I hate robbery and wrong; I will faithfully give them their recompense, and I will make an everlasting covenant with them. ⁹Their offspring shall be known among the nations, and their descendants in the midst of the peoples; all who see them shall acknowledge them, that they are an offspring the Lord has blessed. ¹⁰I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels. ¹¹For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.

Minister: *The Word of the Lord!*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

For the Cause

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1. For the cause of Christ the King, we give our lives, an offering
'Til all the earth resounds with ceaseless praise to the Son

2. For the cause of Christ we go wth joy to reap, with faith to sow
As many see and many put their trust in the Son
Chorus: Christ we proclaim, the Name above every name:
For all creation, ev'ry nation, God's salvation through the Son!

3. For the King once lifted high to cries of rage, of 'crucify!'
Endured the cross as every sin was laid on the Son

4. To the King who conquered death to free the poor and the oppressed
For lasting peace for life and liberty in the Son
Chorus

5. Let it be my life's refrain: to live is Christ, to die is gain;
Deny myself, take up my cross and follow the Son
Chorus (2 times)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Please see *Celebrating the Lord's Supper at Providence* on page 10 of the bulletin.

The Great Thanksgiving‡

Minister: *The Lord be with you.*

People: **And with your spirit.**

Minister: *Lift up your hearts!*

People: **We lift them up to the Lord!**

Minister: *Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.*

People: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Minister: *It is indeed good and right and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of the darkness and into his own glorious light. Therefore with angels, and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify your glorious name; evermore praising you and say:*

People: **Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.**
Glory be to You, O Lord Most High!

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: *The gifts of God for the people of God.*

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you,

and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Invitation to the Lord's Table†

The Words of Institution

HYMN OF COMMUNION 469

How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place

Words: Isaac Watts, 1707. Tune: ST. COLUMBA (Old Irish Hymn Melody), alt. 1990.

1. How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors,
While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.
2. While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,
Each of us cry, with thankful tongues, "Lord, why was I a guest?"
3. "Why was I made to hear Thy voice, and enter while there's room,
When thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"
4. 'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;
Else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.
5. Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;
Send Thy victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.
6. We long to see Thy churches full, that all the chosen race
May, with one voice and heart and soul, sing Thy redeeming grace.

* DOXOLOGY

Hymn 731 – Tune: OLD HUNDREDTH

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.

* BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

²⁴[May] the Lord bless you and keep you;
²⁵the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you;
²⁶the Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

†Ushers will escort congregants to the communion table during the **Hymn of Communion**. Please take the elements back to your seat. After **The Words of Institution**, we will partake together.

‡*The Great Thanksgiving*, includes the *Sursum Corda* (Latin for "lift up your hearts," which dates back to the early 3rd century). The *Sursum Corda* calls us to be heavenly minded while we are summoned into the Lord's presence. Variations of this first phrase can be found in the liturgies of Augustine, Calvin, Knox, and Bucer. Being spiritually lifted into the throne room of Christ, we join the angels in worship, proclaiming "Holy, Holy, Holy" (Isaiah 6:3; Revelation 4:8).

Sunday School

- ❖ Sunday School is available for all ages. Two adult classes are available:
 - Larry LaFreniere, *The Book of Job*, Room 10
 - Jeremy Dalton. *The Book of Isaiah*, Room 11

Events This Week

- ❖ **Women's Morning Bible Study** meets Mondays from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. Child care is provided.
- ❖ **Morning Men's Group** meets every Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ **Evening Women's Bible Study** meets this Wednesday from 5:45 to 7:45 p.m. Dinner and child care provided.
- ❖ **Youth Large Group** resumes this Wednesday from 5:45 to 7:45 p.m.
- ❖ **Young Professionals Dinner:** Friday, February 6, 6:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- ❖ **Congregation Meeting:** following the worship service next Sunday, February 8.
- ❖ **Community Groups** meet Sunday, February 8, and Wednesday, February 11.
- ❖ **Covenant Kids** meets Wednesday, February 11, at 5:45 p.m.
- ❖ **2026 Church-Wide Spaghetti Dinner** is Friday, February 13, to help the youth ministry get to Reformed Youth Ministry's summer conference in Estes Park, Colorado. Suggested donation is \$12/individual or \$45/family.

Women's Retreat

- ❖ Hope Blanton and Chris Gordon with *At His Feet Studies* will be the guest speakers at the Women's Retreat on **Friday, March 6, and Saturday, March 7**. More information and registration is now available at:
<https://www.providencepca.org/events/womens-retreat--233/2026-03-06>

Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at Texas Tech

- ❖ Raegan Watkins Mitchell is the RUF intern. *RUF Pastor Search is in process.*
 - RUF Large Group meets Wednesday at 8:00 p.m.

Providence Weekly

- ❖ To receive the weekly Providence email newsletter, subscribe by entering your email at the bottom of the Home page at the church's website: www.providencepca.org.

Meal Ministry

❖ **Shared Joy, Shared Pain, Shared Meal:**

The women of Providence bring meals to people in the church as needed, such as births, deaths, hospitalizations, and illnesses. If you can provide meals or if you need a meal, contact Beth Herring at bethsherring@yahoo.com.

- Meal requests are registered at: www.TakeThemAMeal.com.

Nursery

... **is available during worship for children 4 and under**, although babies and children are welcomed and valued in our service. However, in order to facilitate a restful and reverent worship for all who enter, parents are encouraged to take advantage of the many resources we have available for children who become noisy or fussy.

(1) A Quiet Room is set up for nursing mothers/moms with infants who need a place to rock and care for their babies. There is a TV set up in this room where the service will be streamed. This room is located inside our original nursery area. Please ring the doorbell to enter during the service.

(2) Snacks and coloring pages are located along the back wall of the sanctuary.

(3) Children's Bulletins are located on the back table of the sanctuary.

Feel free to ask an usher or congregant for help in locating any of these helpful resources.

Ushers❖ *Serving today*

- Blaine Grimes ◊ Ian Schlagel
- Tom Brooks ◊ Shane Shepherd

❖ *Serving next Sunday*

- Brandon Mulkey ◊ Paul Herring
- Michael Landess ◊ Tom Sell

Nursery❖ *Serving today*

- **Infant/Toddler:** Jenny Lawson ◊ Ann Moushon ◊ Kathryn Clendennen
- **Pre-School:** Faith Tate ◊ Alisha Donet ◊ Raylan Tate

❖ *Serving next Sunday*

- **Infant/Toddler:** Amanda Castner ◊ Shannon Grimes ◊ Cana Dalton ◊ Ava Elizabeth Stewart ◊ Lily Donet ◊ Selah Dalton

Celebrating the Lord's Supper at Providence

The Lord Jesus Christ is present with us by his Spirit at this table, so in His name we invite everyone who trusts Him for salvation and is a baptized member in a church which faithfully proclaims His gospel. However, we are warned not to partake if you do not trust Him or if you are living in unrepentant sin; instead, please let the bread and the cup pass by (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). Rather, turn to Him in repentance and faith, so you may join in this glad and holy celebration of His saving death and resurrection life for all His people. Children who have made a public profession of faith and been received as members by the leadership of their church are also invited to the table. Children who have not yet made such a profession are asked to let the bread and the cup pass. We use wine in the Supper, but the outer ring of the tray is grape juice; we also hold the elements until everyone is served. Let us rejoice together in Him!

Prayers of Meditation for Those Not Participating in Communion**Prayer for Those Searching for Truth**

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and show me the reality of who You are. – *Amen*.

Prayer of Belief

Heavenly Father, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I deserved. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Jesus to be my Lord and Savior. – *Amen*.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, help me to look to You as the fulfillment of all my needs, and to turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. – *Amen*.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. – *Amen*.

Chronological Bible Daily Reading Plan:
February 1-7, 2026

<i>Date</i>	<i>Text</i>
Sunday, 02/01	Exodus 7-9
Monday, 02/02	Exodus 10-12
Tuesday, 02/03	Exodus 13-15
Wednesday, 02/04	Exodus 16-18
Thursday, 02/05	Exodus 19-21
Friday, 02/06	Exodus 22-24
Saturday, 02/07	Exodus 25-27

Providence Presbyterian Church (PCA)

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Purpose Statement

Providence Presbyterian Church aims to worship and serve the one true and living God through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit, and to bring the good news of salvation in Christ to all people in Lubbock, West Texas, and the world. In doing this we will encourage and equip believers to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, and to grow in our love for one another and our neighbors; all the while endeavoring to know, live, and speak the love, joy, peace, hope, and truth of God's word revealed to us in the Scriptures.

The Session

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RUF Pastor Search in process

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Hospitality Team Alisha Donet, Leader

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Women's Ministry Team Anne Griffith ◊ Alexis Bingham

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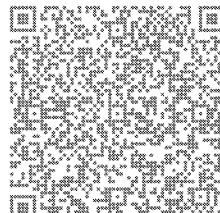
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