



PROVIDENCE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 10, 2026

Sixth Sunday of Easter

THE LORD'S DAY

May 10, 2026

Welcome and Announcements

RE Tom Sell

Preparation for Worship

* CALL TO WORSHIP - RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 111:1-10

¹Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

²**Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.**

³Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴**He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

⁵He provides food for those who fear him;
he remembers his covenant forever.

⁶**He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.**

⁷The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy;

⁸**they are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.**

⁹He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!

¹⁰**The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!**

*** HYMN OF PRAISE**

Psalm 111:1-5, 10

Tune: ST. ANNE (Our Good, Our Help in Ages Past)

¹All praise I'll give with all my heart, bring thanks to God and sing.
Come, gather all you upright ones, delight – the Lord is King!

²Enjoy the great works of the Lord; fail not to see, adore.

³Great and majestic are His deeds; His righteousness endures.

⁴In all my mem'ry He has placed just acts and wondrous deeds.
Know that the Lord's compassionate; love and kind grace is He.

⁵Mercy He gives to those who fear, no food they lack or need.
O He remembers covenant, provides eternally.

¹⁰You will find wisdom when you seek the fear of God the Lord.
Zealously follow His commands – praise to Him evermore!

*** PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

Rev. John D. Bennett

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bernard of Clairvaux[†]

**O Lord, come quickly and reign on your throne,
for now something often rises up within me,
and tries to take possession of your throne:
pride, covetousness, uncleanness, and sloth want to be my kings,
and then evil-speaking, anger, hatred,
and the whole train of vices join with me in warring against myself,
and try to reign over me.**

**I resist them; I cry out against them, and say,
“I have no other king than Christ.”
O King of peace, come and reign in me,
for I will have no other king but you! – Amen.**

(Silent Confession)

[†]Often considered by John Calvin as a forerunner of the Reformation and cited more than any other author in Calvin's *Institutes*, Bernard of Clairvaux (1090-1153) was a French monk and mystic who taught that man is justified by faith alone. Additionally, he wrote the words to the hymn, "O Sacred Head Now Wounded."

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

⁶“Seek the Lord while he may be found;
call upon him while he is near;
⁷let the wicked forsake his way,
and the unrighteous man his thoughts;
let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him,
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.
⁸For my thoughts are not your thoughts,
neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord.
⁹For as the heavens are higher than the earth,
so are my ways higher than your ways
and my thoughts than your thoughts.

*** HYMN OF THANKSGIVING 497**

I Need Thee, Precious Jesus

*** CHILDREN’S CATECHISM**

From: First Catechism ~ Teaching Children Bible Truths

Question 40: *Can anyone go to heaven with this sinful nature?*

Answer: **No. Our hearts must be changed before we can believe in Jesus and go to heaven.**

Question 41: *What is this change of heart called?*

Answer: **The new birth, or regeneration.**

Question 42: *Who can change a sinner's heart?*

Answer: **The Holy Spirit alone.**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, 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 on the right hand of God, the Father Almighty.
from there He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I 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.**

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.**

Interlude

†We believe Christ suffered the wrath of God for our sins while He was on the cross.
While His body was in the grave for three days, His Spirit was with the Father in heaven (Luke 23:43,46).

‡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.

¹Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons:

²Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Minister: *The Word of the Lord!*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

* HYMN OF RESPONSE

A Debtor to Mercy Alone

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1. A debtor to mercy alone, of covenant mercy I sing;
Nor fear, with Thy righteousness on, my person and offering to bring.
The terrors of law and of God with me can have nothing to do;
My Savior's obedience and blood hide all my transgressions from view.
2. The work which His goodness began, the arm of His strength will complete;
His promise is yea and amen, and never was forfeited yet.
Things future, nor things that are now, not all things below nor above
Can make Him His purpose forego, or sever my soul from His love.
3. My name from the palms of His hands eternity will not erase;
Impressed on His heart it remains in marks of indelible grace.
Yes, I to the end shall endure, as sure as the earnest is given
More happy, but not more secure, the glorified spirits in heaven.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Please see *Celebrating the Lord's Supper at Providence* on page 10 of this 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 right and good and a joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks unto You, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God. But chiefly we are bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was offered for us, and has taken away the sins of the world; who by his death has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again has won for us everlasting life. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying:*

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

Minister: *Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:*

People: **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again!**

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

[†]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.

* DOXOLOGY

Hymn 733

Words: Thomas Ken, 1709. Tune: GEISTLICHE KIRCHENGESÄNGE (*All Creatures of Our God and King*).

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise him, all creatures here below:
Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

* BENEDICTION

Numbers 6:24-26

²⁴The 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.

**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).

*Congregation Standing ◦ **Bold body of text recited together.**
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Events This Week

- ❖ **Morning Men's Group** meets Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m.

Upcoming Events

- ❖ **Young Professionals Brunch:** Saturday, May 23
- ❖ **Junior High Retreat at Mo Ranch:** May 28-31
- ❖ **RYM High School Summer Conference, Estes Park, Colorado:** June 8-13
- ❖ **Vacation Bible School:** July 7-10

Reformed University Fellowship (RUF) at Texas Tech

- ❖ Raegan Watkins Mitchell is the RUF intern.
 - Taylor McPherson has accepted the RUF Campus Minister Position at Texas Tech! He and his family (wife, Denise; twin 8-year-old boys, Judah and Pierce; and 5-year-old girl, Lily) will move to Lubbock by the end of this July.

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*
 - Brandon Mulkey ◦ Paul Herring
 - Michael Landess ◦ Tom Sell
- ❖ *Serving next Sunday*
 - Levi Myers ◦ John Haley
 - Larry LaFreniere ◦ Peter Griffith

Nursery

- ❖ *Serving today*
 - **Infant/Toddler:** Susan LaFreniere ◦ Ann Moushon ◦ Nan Mulkey
 - **Pre-School:** Corrie King ◦ Jenny Hudnall ◦ Christie Mulkey
- ❖ *Serving next Sunday*
 - **Infant/Toddler:** Sara Griffith ◦ Katie Davis ◦ Paige Bredemeyer
 - **Pre-School:** Sarah Scott ◦ Elizabeth Stewart ◦ Wendy Wilkerson

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: May 10-16, 2026

<i>Date</i>	<i>Text</i>
Sunday, 05/10	Psalm 50, 53, 60, 75
Monday, 05/11	2 Samuel 10 • 1 Chronicles 19 • Psalm 20
Tuesday, 05/12	Psalm 65-67, 69-70
Wednesday, 05/13	2 Samuel 11-12 • 1 Chronicles 20
Thursday, 05/14	Psalm 32, 51, 86, 122
Friday, 05/15	2 Samuel 13-15
Saturday, 05/16	Psalm 3-4, 12-13, 28, 55

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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.

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- John D. Bennett, *Teaching Elder*
- Dr. Jeremy Dalton, *Ruling Elder*
- Peter Griffith, Sr., *Ruling Elder*
- Chris Kramedjian, *Ruling Elder*
- Dr. Brian Nicholson, *Ruling Elder*
- Tom Sell, *Ruling Elder (On Sabbatical)*

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RUF Pastor Search in process

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Missions Team Rebecca Mulkey ◦ Brenda Hayes

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