



PROVIDENCE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 24, 2026

Pentecost Sunday

THE LORD'S DAY

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Welcome and Announcements

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Preparation for Worship

* CALL TO WORSHIP - RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 96:1-9

¹Oh sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth!

²**Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.**

³Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

⁴**For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.**

⁵For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.

⁶**Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**

⁷Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

⁸**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!**

⁹Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;
tremble before him, all the earth!

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

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*** HYMN OF PRAISE 660**

O God beyond All Praising

*** PRAYER OF ADORATION AND INVOCATION**

Rev. John D. Bennett

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Middleburg Liturgy†

**O Lord, our heavenly Father,
seeing you are our Maker, and we are the workmanship of your hands;
seeing you are our Pastor, and we your flock;
seeing also that you are our Redeemer,
and we are the people whom you have bought;
Finally, because you are our God, and we are your chosen inheritance –
let not your anger be kindled against us,
that you should punish us in your wrath,
neither remember our wickedness so as to take vengeance for it,
but rather chastise us according to your mercy.
We confess, O Lord, that our misdeeds have inflamed your wrath against us,
yet considering that by your grace we call upon your name,
and make profession of your truth –
maintain, we ask you, the work that you have begun in us,
to the end that all the world may know that you are our God and Savior.
You know that those you have destroyed and brought to confusion,
do not set forth your praises,
but the heavy souls, the humble hearts,
the consciences oppressed and laden with the grievous burden of their sins,
and therefore thirst after your grace,
they shall set forth your praise and glory. – Amen.**

(Silent Confession)

†The Middleburg Liturgy was penned in 1586 by the English Puritan Thomas Cartwright (1553-1603) after he and his congregation were exiled to Middleburg in the Netherlands.

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

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person – though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die – ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

*** HYMN OF THANKSGIVING**

I Will Glory In My Redeemer

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1. I will glory in my Redeemer whose priceless blood has ransomed me
 Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails and hung Him on that judgment tree
 I will glory in my Redeemer, Who crushed the power of sin and death
 My only Savior before the Holy Judge
 The Lamb Who is my righteousness ... The Lamb Who is my righteousness

2. I will glory in my Redeemer, my life He bought, my love He owns
 I have no longings for another, I'm satisfied in Him alone
 I will glory in my Redeemer, His faithfulness my standing place
 Though foes are mighty and rush upon me
 My feet are firm, held by His grace ... My feet are firm, held by His grace.

3. I will glory in my Redeemer, Who carries me on eagles' wings
 He crowns my life with lovingkindness, His triumph song I'll ever sing
 I will glory in my Redeemer Who waits for me at gates of gold
 And when He calls me it will be paradise
 His face forever to behold ... His face forever to behold
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Question 46: *How, then, can you be saved?*

Answer: **By the Lord Jesus Christ through the covenant of grace.**

Question 47: *Whom did Christ represent in the covenant of grace?*

Answer: **His elect people.**

Question 48: *How did Christ fulfill the covenant of grace?*

Answer: **Christ obeyed the whole law for his people, and then suffered the punishment due for their sins.**

We confess and acknowledge one only God,

**to whom alone we must cleave, whom only we must serve,
whom only we must worship, and in whom only we put our trust.**

**Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance and yet distinct in three persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.**

By whom we confess and believe, all things in heaven and earth,

**as well visible as invisible, to have been created, to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided by His inscrutable providence,**

**to such end as His eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed them
to the manifestation of His own Glory.**

RESPONDING TO THE LORD WITH HIS TITHES AND OUR OFFERINGS‡

[†]*The Scots Confession is a Confession of Faith written in 1560 by six leaders of the Protestant Reformation in Scotland. The text of the Confession was the first subordinate standard for the Protestant church in Scotland. Along with the Book of Discipline and the Book of Common Order, this is considered to be a formational document for the Church of Scotland during the time.*

‡*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.*

**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

SERMON

Rev. John D. Bennett
Philippians 1:19-26

Yes, and I will rejoice, ¹⁹for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, ²⁰as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. ²²If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. ²³I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. ²⁴But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. ²⁵Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, ²⁶so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

Minister: *The Word of the Lord!*

People: **Thanks be to God!**

* HYMN OF RESPONSE 679

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; according to whose most true promise, the Holy Spirit came down from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth, giving them boldness and fervent zeal constantly to preach the Gospel to all nations, by which we have been brought out of darkness and error into the clear light and true knowledge of You, and of Your Son, Jesus Christ. 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!**

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.

**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).

HYMN OF COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb (Communion Song)
Words and Music by Keith and Kristyn Getty & Stuart Townend

1. Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, slain for us - and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.
2. The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ, torn for you - eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.
3. The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you - drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.
4. And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond, - and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ as His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

* 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

Psalm 67:1-2

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

Summer Sunday School

- ❖ **June 7 through July 26, Room 11:** Larry LaFreniere will facilitate a video teaching series on "Reformation 101" with Dr. Stephen Nichols. (No separate children's classes will be available.)

Events This Week

- ❖ **Morning Men's Group** meets Tuesday from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m.
- ❖ **Junior High Retreat at Mo Ranch:** May 28-31

Upcoming Events

- ❖ **Women's Pool Party:** Monday, June 1, 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., at Vintage Township
- ❖ **Women of the Word (WWW) Lunch:** Begins Wednesday, June 3, 12:00 to 1:15 p.m. This bring-your-own lunch time of fellowship will continue weekly through July.
- ❖ **Church-wide Fellowship Lunch:** Sunday, June 7, following morning worship
- ❖ **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) plan to 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.providencecpca.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*

- Jason Mulkey ◦ Ryan Henry
Tom Nicholson ◦ Trace Hunt

❖ *Serving next Sunday*

- Brandon Mulkey ◦ Paul Herring
Michael Landess ◦ Tom Sell

Nursery

❖ *Serving today*

- **Infant/Toddler:** Jenny Lawson ◦ Ann Moushon ◦ Kathryn Clendennen
Elizabeth Stewart ◦ Alisha Donet ◦ Julia Kinkade

❖ *Serving next Sunday*

- **Infant/Toddler:** Amanda Castner ◦ Shannon Grimes ◦ Cana Dalton
Faith Tate ◦ 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: May 24-30, 2026

<i>Date</i>	<i>Text</i>
Sunday, 05/24	Psalm 108-110
Monday, 05/25	1 Chronicles 23-25
Tuesday, 05/26	Psalm 131, 138-139, 143-145
Wednesday, 05/27	1 Chronicles 26-29 • Psalm 127
Thursday, 05/28	Psalm 111-118
Friday, 05/29	1 Kings 1-2 • Psalm 37, 71, 94
Saturday, 05/30	Psalm 119:1-88

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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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RUF Pastor Search in process

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*for more information on serving on one of these teams
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