

GATHERING

We *gather* as a community and prepare our hearts to worship God

Music in Preparation for Worship Noel Freidline

Words of Welcome Blake Kendrick

*Sharing the Peace of Christ

Abiding in Christ's love, let us turn to one another and offer signs of forgiveness, love and peace.

*Song of Welcome

“Welcome”
Words and Music by Laurie Zelman and Mark Miller

***Call to Worship** Garo Aghjayan
from Acts 8, 1 John 4, John 15

Come to the household of love, for God is love.
As we abide in love, we abide in God.

Come to the vineyard of grace, for God is gracious.
As we abide in the vine, we bear the fruit of salvation.

Come bathe in baptismal waters, for God's Spirit awaits.
As we abide in God's Spirit, we abide in peace.

Come to the household of love, for God is love.
Come! All are welcome here.

*Procession of Light and Word

*As the Light of Christ and Word of God are placed before us, we are reminded that Christ is present with us in our worship and is revealed to us through the written Word of God.
We worship today with expectancy, desiring to listen to God's voice.*

“Christ Is Risen! Shout Hosanna!”
Hymn 206, W ZLOBIE LEZY, alt.

Opening Prayer Lee Canipe

Words of Assurance

Responding in Song

“Cantate Domino (O Sing Ye to the Lord)” – Sanctuary Choir
Giuseppe Pitoni, edited by Norman Greyson

Scripture Reading Elizabeth Maye Hudson
1 John 4:7-21

*Responding in Song

“They'll Know We Are Christians”
Hymn 272, ST. BRENDAN'S; arranged by Noel Freidline

All children are invited to come forward during the hymn.

LISTENING

We *listen* for the word of God through prayer, song, Scripture, and preaching

Dedication of Life Lee Canipe and Elizabeth Maye Hudson

Mills June Allison

Responding in Song

“Child of Providence”
Words and Music by Timothy Hill

“Sharing Our Stories”

Scripture Reading Lee Canipe
Acts 8:26-40

Sermon “Rhetorical Questions”

Please take a moment to reflect silently.

RESPONDING

We *respond* to the hearing of God's word in song and offering

Church on Mission Sarah Blackwell
CBF Offering for Global Missions

Prayer of Gratitude

Offertory Music

“Is He Worthy?” – Matt and Thomas Blackwell
Words and Music by Andrew Peterson and Ben Shive

*Presentations of Tithes and Offerings

“New Doxology”
Words and Music by Louis Bourgeois, Thomas Ken, Thomas Miller

***Invitation to Christian Discipleship** Lee Canipe

*Responding in Song

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”
Hymn 507, I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

SENDING

We are *sent* out into the world to love God and our neighbors

Words of Fellowship Lee Canipe

Benediction

**Christ before us, Christ beside us,
Christ behind us, Christ in all that we do.
Christ in our hearts so that we may love mercy,
Christ in our mouths so that we may speak truth,
Christ in our eyes so that we may see him
in the face of our neighbors.**

†Following Christ Into the World

As the Light and Word go before us, we are reminded that God calls each of us to be the presence of Christ in the world. As we depart from this place of worship, may our light shine before others, so that they may see our good works and give glory to our Father in heaven.

“When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder” – Noel Freidline
Music by James Black, arranged by Noel Freidline

† Please remain and reflect on how God might be leading you to respond as you prepare to go into the world to serve in God's name.

* Worshipers are invited to stand.

A PROMISE FOR NEW MEMBERS

We joyfully welcome you into our church family!
As your brothers and sisters in Christ, we offer you our love, our care, our encouragement, and our fellowship. By God's grace, we hope to learn from you, give to you, and serve with you, as we grow together in the Holy Spirit to become more faithful followers of Jesus.
May the peace of Christ be with you!

Welcome to Providence Baptist Church!

Are you visiting today? Let's get to know one another!
Fill out a guest card in the pew or scan the QR code.



LEADING IN WORSHIP

Lee Canipe, Senior Pastor

Timothy Hill, Minister of Music

Dane Jackson, Minister with Students and Their Families

Blake Kendrick, Minister for Adult Discipleship

Elizabeth Maye Hudson, Minister with Children and Their Families

Garo Aghjayan, Deacon

James Price, Acolyte

Rob Anderson, Bible Bearer

Musicians

Sanctuary Choir

Ed West, organ

Noel Freidline, piano

Worship Support Team

Michael Aycock, Andrew Blackwell, Bill Fairley, Staley Green,

Jack Hall, John Hall, Jon Hall, Grayson Hanson,

Winston Kendrick, Matthew Perrone, Lila Stockwell,

Max Thomas, Carleton Whilden

For information on how to be a part of this ministry, please contact the church office.

Visual Art in Worship

It Is Well With My Soul by Mike Moyers

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Cotswold Farmers Market Returns May 4th

Providence is excited to welcome the Cotswold Farmers Market back this year! In furthering our Providence Will priorities of Engaging Cotswold and

Blessing Charlotte, the Market will gather from 8am-12pm on Saturdays from May through October in our Hunter Lane parking lot. Be sure to come out and support local farmers, vendors, musicians, artisans, entrepreneurs, and volunteers from all over the Queen City!

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Save the Date

May 1	MOMs Group
May 2	Adult Bible Study
May 4	Cotswold Farmers Market Returns
May 5	Senior Celebration
May 8	Libby Gray Media Center Book Sale
May 8	Children's Choir Concert
May 11	Cotswold Farmers Market

For more information about any of the above opportunities and more, visit providencebc.org/calendar or scan the QR code above.

Missions Partner Highlight



Congregations for Kids (CFK) believes that every child deserves the safety and stability of a loving home. They recruit and train foster parents, mentors, Socialight volunteers, financial partners, and so many other impactful people and organizations to provide stability and safety for children in Charlotte.

We are proud to serve and bless Charlotte with them as one of our Missions Partners. To get involved with their volunteer opportunities, please visit <https://www.cfknc.org/nextsteps>

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PROVIDENCE
BAPTIST CHURCH

April 28, 2024 – 10:30am

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Worship at Providence Baptist Church is interactive, participatory, and focused on God. In worship, we proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ and give thanks for the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst, seeking to experience God in ways that are both ancient and modern.

*Because Jesus makes unity a priority for his disciples,
we worship God together in one service on Sunday morning.*

*Because our church is diverse in age,
we use worship songs and texts that are ageless.*

*Because the body of Christ is a worldwide communion,
we celebrate the many types of worship that we find among God's people.*

Together, as one congregation, we commit ourselves to worship that speaks the truth about God, and places Jesus Christ at the center of our lives.



"It Is Well With My Soul" by Mike Moyers

As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?"

Acts 8:36