

# ORDER OF WORSHIP SERVICE

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## PROVIDENCE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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*A household for our triune God,  
where each member shines forth His holy, life-giving presence.*

**THE LORD'S DAY OF OCTOBER 29,  
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2017  
9.30 AM**

“But the LORD is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.”  
(Habakkuk 2:20)

## WE PREPARE TO MEET WITH GOD

Welcome

Preparatory Devotional & Prayer

Asterisks (\*) denote portions for congregation to stand.  
Unless otherwise stated, all Scripture quotations are from the English Standard Version (ESV).  
Congregational readings are in **bold**.

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## GOD SUMMONS US INTO HIS PRESENCE

The Greeting of God

The Call to Worship: *Psalms 145:1-3*

<sup>1</sup> I will extol you, my God and King,  
and bless your name forever and ever.

<sup>2</sup> Every day I will bless you  
and praise your name forever and ever.

<sup>3</sup> Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,  
and his greatness is unsearchable.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S SUMMONS

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 731, "Doxology"*

\*Opening Prayer

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 376, "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"*

## GOD DECLARES HIS LAW

Reading of the Law: *Matthew 5:13-16*

<sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. <sup>14</sup> "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. <sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S LAW

Silent Prayer of Confession

**Our Father in heaven,  
you have made us salt to the earth,  
light to the world,  
a city on a hill,**

a people glorifying you.  
But we have often fled from your calling.  
We have preferred the world's approval to life in our Lord Jesus.  
Out of fear and rebellion, we have withheld your light and salt.  
Renew our hearts.  
Make us willing to serve you.  
Through Jesus our Lord,  
    who died for sinners (Rom 5:6)  
    and fulfilled all righteousness (Mt 3:15),  
    forgive our many sins.  
Amen.

### **GOD DECLARES HIS GOSPEL**

Reading of the Gospel: *1 Peter 2:24*

<sup>24</sup> He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

Confession of the Gospel (Unison): *Based on Calvin's Institutes II:XVI:19*

**Almighty God,**  
    we are greatly sinful and unable to save ourselves.  
**But we trust in the Savior you have graciously given—Jesus Christ our Lord.**  
**We trust in Christ's obedience for our righteousness,**  
    his death for our release from the Law's curse,  
    his resurrection for our immortality,  
    his ascension for our reconciliation with you,  
    his rule for our final victory and peace.  
**We trust in Christ alone for salvation. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon: *Hebrews 5:7-9*

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to him who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverence. <sup>8</sup> Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. <sup>9</sup> And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,

### **WE RESPOND TO THE GOSPEL**

\*Hymn of Thanksgiving: *Trinity Hymnal 650, "I will sing of my Redeemer"*

### **GOD TEACHES US HIS WORD**

Reading of the Word of God: *Psalms 32*

<sup>1</sup> Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. <sup>2</sup> Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is

no deceit. <sup>3</sup> For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. <sup>4</sup> For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah. <sup>5</sup> I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah. <sup>6</sup> Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found; surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him. <sup>7</sup> You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble; you surround me with shouts of deliverance. Selah. <sup>8</sup> I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will counsel you with my eye upon you. <sup>9</sup> Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding, which must be curbed with bit and bridle, or it will not stay near you. <sup>10</sup> Many are the sorrows of the wicked, but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD. <sup>11</sup> Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous, and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Prayer for Understanding

Preaching of the Word of God:

“Four Sets of Three”—Pastor Linus Chua

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD

Hymn of Response: *Trinity Hymnal 551: “How Blest Is He Whose Trespass”*

A Prayer of Response

Thanksgiving

Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church

The Republic of Singapore

The Holy Church of Jesus Christ

The Lord’s Prayer (Unison): *Matthew 6:9-13*

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.**

**Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,**

**and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

The Offering

\*The Confession of Faith (Unison): *The Apostles’ Creed*

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

**And 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, dead, and buried;**

**he descended into hell;**

**the third day he rose again from the dead;**

he ascended into heaven,  
and sits at 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<sup>+</sup> Church;  
the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins;  
the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting.

*+universal*

Amen.

\*Hymn of Consecration: *Trinity Hymnal 388, "Savior, Again to thy dear Name we raise"*

## **GOD DISMISSES US WITH HIS BLESSINGS**

\*Benediction