

# 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 APR 14,  
THE YEAR OF OUR LORD 2019  
9.15 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: *Isaiah 6:2-3*

<sup>2</sup> Above him stood the seraphim.

Each had six wings: with two he covered his face,  
and with two he covered his feet,  
and with two he flew.

<sup>3</sup> And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S SUMMONS

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 731, “Doxology”*

\*Opening Prayer

\*Hymn of Praise: *Trinity Hymnal 101, “Come, Thou Almighty King”*

## GOD DECLARES HIS LAW

Reading of the Law: *Leviticus 19:11-12*

<sup>11</sup> “You shall not steal; you shall not deal falsely; you shall not lie to one another. <sup>12</sup> You shall not swear by my name falsely, and so profane the name of your God: I am the LORD.

## WE RESPOND TO GOD’S LAW

Silent Prayer of Confession

Confession of Sin (Unison):

**Heavenly Father,**

**you call us to be people of truth as you are the Truth.**

**But we have stolen and lied.**

**We have desired what belongs to others**

**and withheld what is due them.**

**We have lied for our own gain  
and concealed truth.  
Have mercy on us Father  
for all the ways we have dealt falsely in your Name.  
Make us your people of truth.  
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: *Hebrews 9:24-28*

For Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. <sup>25</sup> Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, <sup>26</sup> for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. <sup>27</sup> And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, <sup>28</sup> so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Confession of the Gospel (Unison): *Adapted from Luther's Small Catechism*

**I believe that Jesus Christ is truly God, born of the Father in eternity and also truly man, born of the Virgin Mary. He is my Lord! He redeemed me, a lost and condemned person, bought and won me from all sins, death and the authority of the Devil. It did not cost Him gold or silver, but His holy, precious blood, His innocent body—His death! Because of this, I am His very own, will live under Him in His kingdom and serve Him righteously, innocently and blessedly forever, just as He is risen from death, lives and reigns forever.**

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 98, "Now Thank We All Our God"*

## GOD TEACHES US HIS WORD

Reading of the Word of God: *Joshua 3: 1-17*

<sup>1</sup>Then Joshua rose early in the morning and they set out from Shittim. And they came to the Jordan, he and all the people of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over. <sup>2</sup>At the end of three days the officers went through the camp <sup>3</sup>and commanded the people, "As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it. <sup>4</sup>Yet there shall be a distance between you and it, about 2,000 cubits in length. Do not come near it, in order that you may know the way you shall go, for you have not passed this way before." <sup>5</sup>Then Joshua said to the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you." <sup>6</sup>And Joshua said to the priests, "Take up the ark of the covenant and pass on before the people." So they took up the ark of the covenant and went before the people. <sup>7</sup>The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. <sup>8</sup>And as for you, command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, 'When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.'" <sup>9</sup>And Joshua said to the people of Israel, "Come here and listen to the words of the LORD your God." <sup>10</sup>And Joshua said, "Here is how you shall know that the living God is among you and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Hivites, the Perizzites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, and the Jebusites. <sup>11</sup>Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth is passing over before you into the Jordan. <sup>12</sup>Now therefore take twelve men from the tribes of Israel, from each tribe a man. <sup>13</sup>And when the soles of the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off from flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap." <sup>14</sup>So when the people set out from their tents to pass over the Jordan with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, <sup>15</sup>and as soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), <sup>16</sup>the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap very far away, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, and those flowing down toward the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off. And the people passed over opposite Jericho. <sup>17</sup>Now the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firmly on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, and all Israel was passing over on dry ground until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

Prayer for Understanding

Preaching of the Word of God:

“Stepping Out in Faith”—Elder Clifford

Hymn of Preparation: *Trinity Hymnal 254, “Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed”*

Words of Preparation

Prayer of Preparation

Partaking of the Lord's Table

## WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

Hymn of Response: *Trinity Hymnal 528: "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"*

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;**

*+universal*

**the communion of saints;**

**the forgiveness of sins;**

**the resurrection of the body;**

**and the life everlasting.**

**Amen.**

\*Hymn of Consecration: *Trinity Hymnal 562, "All to Jesus I Surrender"*

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

\*Benediction