

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 5, 2025

2nd Sunday of Christmas

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Isaiah 60

Arise, shine; for your light has come,

and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Nations shall come to your light

and rulers to the brightness of your rising.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God, Alleluia!

Shout to the Lord, all the earth, Alleluia!

Let us worship God!

*OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN *"What Star Is This, with Beams So Bright"*

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PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world, to reveal your love for all people. We confess that our sin and pride hide the brightness of your light. We turn away from the poor; we ignore cries for justice; we do not strive for peace. In your mercy, cleanse us of our sin, and baptize us once again with your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

*GLORIA PATRI

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ANTHEM *"Beautiful Star"*

CHILDREN'S CHAT

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT Psalm 72: 1-14

NEW TESTAMENT Matthew 2: 1-12

SERMON "The Story of the Other Wise Men"

*HYMN *"As with Gladness Men of Old"*

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*APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again 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.

Our offerings are a sign of gratitude. Let us join together and sing our praise to God from whom all blessings flow.

*DOXOLOGY *"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"*

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CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION

INVITATION TO THE TABLE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you!

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Prayer of Great Thanksgiving/Prayers of People

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer of Commitment

*HYMN *"Gentle Mary Laid Her Child"*

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*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

* Please stand if you are able.

*The flowers are given in loving memory of
J. Daniel Slep
by the Slep family*

Prayer: Marsha Hansard

Liturgist: Glenn Nelson Nursery: Joan Conway

TODAY	10:15 AM	Worship, Communion
TUESDAY	10:00 AM	Congregational Care meeting
WEDNESDAY	10:30 AM	Worship meeting
	12:00 PM	Outreach meeting
THURSDAY	11:30 AM	Bible Study
SUNDAY	9:00 AM	Sunday School
	10:15 AM	Worship

The 2024 report from each ministry team needs to be submitted to our church administrator no later than **Wednesday, January 15, 2025**. These reports will be included in the annual report, which will be distributed at the Annual Congregational Meeting in February.

In the event of inclement weather, before venturing out, please check your email and/or the church's Facebook page or website for any scheduled changes or cancellations.

If you are able to help out with Open/Lock-Up for a month in 2025, please sign up in Fellowship Hall.

The Per Capita amount for 2025 is \$41 per member.

Family Services items for January are paper towels, garbage bags, toilet paper, quart & gallon sized zip lock bags, baby: soap, shampoo, lotion, and wipes, feminine products, kleenex



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