

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
March 11, 2007

Prelude and Acolyte

Welcome and Announcements

* Greeting and Rites of Friendship

Preparing our Hearts to Worship

Call to Worship

Leader: *O God, You are my God, I seek You, my soul thirsts for You;*

People: ***I have looked upon You in the sanctuary, beholding Your power and glory.***

Leader: *Because Your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise You.*

People: ***For You have been my help, and in the shadow of Your wings I sing for joy. My soul clings to You; Your right hand upholds me.***

All: ***You are worthy of the very best I have to offer – grant us the grace to offer our best to You! Come let us worship the LORD!***

* Hymn No. 499 "He Leadeth Me"

Call to Confession, Prayer of Confession

Holy and awesome God, we stand in Your presence, filled with regret for our many sins and failings. Though there is greatness in us, we have often denied our better selves and refused to hear Your voice calling us to rise to the full height of our humanity. That is because there is also weakness in us. And at times we choose to walk in darkness. We do not care to look within. O God, we are too weak to walk unaided. Be with us and teach us to talk by the light of Your truth.

Assurance of Forgiveness

* Gloria Patri Hymn No. 734

Infant Baptism of Charlotte Grey Wood

Children's Sermon Mark Nelms

Offertory and Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

* Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Anthem "I Thank You Lord With a Song" Adult Choir

Musical Interlude: Children exit with Ashley and Crissy Porter to Children's Church

Prayer Requests, Morning Prayer and the Lord's Prayer (we pray debts & debtors)

Old Testament Lesson Isaiah 55:1-9

* Hymn No. 443 "Trust and Obey"

Gospel Lesson Luke 13:1-9

Sermon "Is It Well With Our Souls?" Rev. Lisa Nance

* Response of Faith

Leader: *Have mercy on me, O God, according to Your steadfast love; You who have great mercy, forgive what I have done.*

People: ***Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!***

Leader: *For I know what I have done wrong; my sins are ever before me and heavy on my heart.*

People: ***Against You, God, You only, have I sinned; You who know all things, know what I have done. You have every right to judge me for my actions and every right to punish me for them.***

All: ***Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit.***

Leader: *In the time since I was born, I have committed many sins, and have done many things which I wish I had not done.*

People: ***God, You want me to be truthful to my very core; therefore, teach me wisdom in the depths of my heart.***

Leader: *If You will do it, O God, I shall be clean, wash me, and I shall be pure. Fill me with joy and gladness!*

All: ***Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit.***

Leader: *Then I will lead others to You, O God, and learn Your ways.*

People: ***Deliver me from my guilt, O God of my salvation, and I will sing aloud of Your deliverance. I will sing Your praises.***

Leader: *You take no delight in burnt sacrifices; You would not be pleased if I were to offer one to You.*

People: ***The sacrifice acceptable to You is a broken spirit; a contrite heart, O God, You will not reject.***

All: ***Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation and uphold me with a willing spirit. Amen.***

* Hymn No. 428 "When Peace Like a River"

* Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude

* Signifies Congregation to stand

MARCH SCRIPTURE VERSE

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.
Proverbs 3:5

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Flowers. The flowers today are given to the glory of God and in honor of the baptism of Charlotte Grey Wood, by her family.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Ushers: Nell Franke and Carolyn Stevenson
Justin Wood
Acolyte and Bell Ringer: Justin Wood
Infant Nursery: Cindy Parrish and Amy Reed
Toddler Nursery: Jason Parrish and Johnathan Reed

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, March 18:

Ushers: Mary Langdon and Beth Pickens
Joseph Phillips
Acolyte and Bell Ringer: Joseph Phillips
Children's Sermon: Carolyn Stevenson
Children's Church: Heath and Heather White
Infant Nursery: Andrea Jones and Kristy Stephenson
Toddler Nursery: Richard Jones and Chris Stephenson

The Prayer List

Jeff Anderson, Richie Andrews, Marty Bevin, Worth Bowman, Josephine Byrd, Stacy Byrd, Carol Clifton, Helen Coates, Kim Creech, Lovie Dorman, Essie Fisher, Gene Glasgow, Larry Harris, Mary Hart, Sheila Ivey, Vernon Jackson, Chris Johnson, Lacy and Marilyn Johnson, Tim Lang, Betty Lou Lee, Carolyn Lewis, Carol Mayben, Lewis McLamb, Julia Nales, John O'Connell, Jenny Parsons, Jamie Pearce, Mike Sanchez, Ella Sherrill, Harry and Betty Smith, Alice Stephenson, Mary Stephenson, Suzanne Underwood, and Ray Williford.

MISSION STATEMENT

We believe God's mission for Providence Presbyterian Church is:

- To make new disciples by sharing the gospel through our words and actions,
- To nurture existing Christians into a mature faith by worship, fellowship and Christian education,
- To serve God by worshiping Him through Jesus Christ by the power of the Holy Spirit,
- And to serve our neighbor as Jesus taught us.

Providence Presbyterian Church



Jesus Christ touching lives through us
and growing His church

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