

## PRAYER & PRAISE

### Mon. 4/29: Flourishing in God's Grace in your personal life

**Morning:** Num. 6, Ps. 40, 41 **Eve:** Song 4, Heb. 4

1. Pray through our 2024 passage of the year, asking the Father to increase your faith and knowledge in "waiting on" Him.
2. Pray for a new understanding of grace: *We are more sinful, flawed, and broken in ourselves than we ever dared believe, yet at the same time we are more loved and accepted in Jesus Christ than we ever dared hope.*

### Tues. 4/30: Flourishing in God's Grace in your family

**Morning:** Num. 7, Ps. 42, 43 **Eve:** Song 5, Heb. 5

1. Pray for Christ to be active in your marriage and/or family that they might be flourishing under His provisions of grace.
2. Pray for our children and youth to be growing in the fear and admonition of the Lord.
3. Pray for those in your family who are not walking with the Lord. Pray that God would draw them to Himself.

### Wed. 5/1: Flourishing in Grace in our church family

**Morning:** Num. 8, Ps. 44 **Eve:** Song 6, Heb. 6

1. Pray for the Spirit of the Lord to create love and unity in our church, protecting us from divisions, pride, gossip, resentment, bitterness, or judgmental spirits (and ask the Lord to convict you if you are cultivating any of these attitudes in your heart).
2. Pray for those in our church who desire to grow their families through birth or adoption.
3. Pray for Leigh-Ana Garrigues and the covenant child the Lord is forming in her womb.
4. Pray for our Bible studies and small groups to bear spiritual fruit.
5. Pray for Katy Kluttz who has begun treatments for cancer. Ask the Father to bring healing and peace during this time of trial for the family.

### Thurs. 5/2: Flourishing in God's Grace in the community

**Morning:** Num. 9, Ps. 45 **Eve:** Song 7, Heb. 7

1. Pray for Lucinda McLain, who has broken both ankles and is recovering. Pray for healing and the ability to be restored to her home at Crescent Heights.
2. Pray for our brothers & sisters next door at Crescent Heights, that they would shine the light of Christ's grace to the community there.
3. Pray for our local ministry partners: RUF (Davidson College and UNC Charlotte), Gate Pregnancy Center, CCM, and Meals-on-Wheels (and for those driving today).
4. Pray for the churches that are part of our Presbytery. This week let us pray for Harbor Church in Mooresville (and Michael Colvard, the pastor).

### Fri. 5/3: Flourishing in God's Grace in the nation

**Morning:** Num. 10, Ps. 46, 47 **Eve:** Song 8, Heb. 8

1. Pray for our leaders "and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way" (1 Tim 2:1-2).
2. Pray for pastor Darin Stone as he represents our denomination and shares the gospel with leaders at our state capital as a PCA chaplain.
3. Pray for revival to sweep across America and that the Spirit of the Lord would be pleased to include us at Providence!
4. Pray for MNA - Mission to North America (PCA's church planting and church vitality agency).

### Sat 5/4: Flourishing in God's Grace in the World

**Morning:** Num. 11, Ps. 48 **Eve:** Isa. 1, Heb. 9

1. Pray for our global missions partners and the callings God has placed on them: Baldwins, Covenant Children's Home, Harpers, Heppes, Hurries, Caty Tate, Josh & Kristi, and the Wadhams.
2. Pray for MTW - Mission to the World (The PCA's world mission agency).

### Sun. 5/5: Flourishing in God's Grace on the Lord's Day

**Morning:** Num. 12, 13, Ps. 49 **Eve:** Isa. 2, Heb. 10

1. Pray for those leading worship along with those who will be preaching and teaching.
2. Pray for the world-wide church as many Christians gather in the midst of persecution, poverty, and tribulation.
3. Pray for all attending Providence this morning that God would prepare hearts to hear the gospel.



MORE THAN CONQUERORS

2024 PASSAGE OF THE YEAR:

Isaiah 40:28-31

*Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength. Even youths shall faint and be weary, and young men shall fall exhausted; but they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint.*

## Gather + Grow + Extend

### IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US TODAY...



Welcome to Providence where our vision is to be a healthy church (not a perfect one) that's flourishing in God's grace. This happens as we *gather, grow, and extend God's grace* to those around us.

To get to know you better, we'd love for you to fill out a visitors card (you'll find one in the pews) and place it in the offering bag during the *Worship in Giving* or in the box at the back of the sanctuary. Feel free, too, to join us for coffee & fellowship after the worship service in the Providence Café.

### TODAY (APRIL 28)

9:05 AM Prayer in the Library

9:30 AM Worship.

11:00 AM Christian Education (CE)

- Infants/Kindergarten in the Toddler Nursery
- 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade (Café)
- Middle/High School (Study)
- Adult CE

§ Exegetical study of Luke (Library)

§ Prayers of the Saints (Sanctuary)

6:00 PM Warehouse 551 for all middle & high school youth (Gym).

6:30 PM Beards' Small Group at the Beards' home.

### THIS WEEK

Women's Bible Study. Wed, 9:30 AM (Café)

Men's Evening Bible Study. Thurs, 6:30 PM (Benjamin Ressler's home).

Men's Breakfast & Bible Study. Fri, 6-7 AM (Café)

Family Outing. 5:30 PM, Fri, May 3. Bowling at Foxfire lanes.

### COMING EVENTS

Bloom Dinners for 4. Sign-up on one of the sheets provided or on the church app. Dinners will take place May 13-19.

Families Small Group. Sun, May 19, 12:30 PM at the Krogers'.

### COMMUNITY NEEDS

The Aesthetics Team needs volunteers to help plant some flowers. If interested, see Cindy King.

Job opportunities through Cooperative Christian Ministries (CCM). Caremoor, a retirement facility recently acquired by CCM, needs a Dietary Coordinator to run the kitchen/meal program and a Facilities Maintenance Technician. Contact Phil Tackett for more info.

#### TODAY'S VOLUNTEERS (4/28)

Servants of the Day: Clay Smith, Craig Poplin

Greeters: Craig Poplin, Terri Smith

Video: Adam Spaugh

Sound: Kirk Hassenfritz

Infants & Toddlers: L. Klevenhagen, F. Hassenfritz

Children's Worship: Adam Klevenhagen, Lula Hudson

Infant-K CE: Christie Spaugh, Judy Elmore

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade CE: Adam Klevenhagen, Sheryl Troutman

Middle & High CE: Benjamin Ressler, Liam Weathers

Crescent Heights: Bill Iacovelli, Tim Troutman

Note: all care-givers and volunteers with our children are required to be active members or attendees for at least six months and also to have undergone background checks.

#### NEXT WEEK'S VOLUNTEERS (5/5)

Servants of the Day: Gordon Spaugh, James Polk

Greeters: Gordon & Christie Spaugh

Video: Emerson Hassenfritz

Sound: Joshua Kroger

Infants & Toddlers: Joanna Hudson, Annie Baker

Children's Worship: TBD, Adam Klevenhagen

Infant-K CE: Sheryl Troutman, Judy Elmore

1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade CE: Jesse Larson, David Starnes

Middle & High CE: Benjamin Ressler, Liam Weathers

Crescent Heights: Kirk Hassenfritz

### CHURCH STAFF

Pastor: Mark Weathers

Associate Pastor: Benjamin Ressler

Children's Ministries: Adam Klevenhagen

Administration: Lisa Tackett

### CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Head of the Church: Our Lord Jesus Christ (Col 1:18)

Elders: Jason Dove, Martin Downing, Kirk Hassenfritz, Adam Klevenhagen, Jesse Larson, Benjamin Ressler, Gordon Spaugh, Phil Tackett, Mark Weathers (Titus 1:5-9)

Deacons: Al Ressler, Mike Wilson (1 Tim 3:8-10)

Ministers: The people (saints) of Providence Presbyterian (2 Cor 9:12; Eph 4:11-12)

### OUR PARTNERS IN MINISTRY

John & Mary Ann Baber: RUF: UNCC

Stephen & Karen Baldwin: Provisions Group

Cooperative Christian Ministries: Concord, NC

Covenant Children's Home: Manipur, India

Andrew & Amanda Goyzueta: RUF: Davidson College

Rick & Anne Harper: Serge: Vienna, Austria

Bob & Keren Heppes: Serge: London, England

Shaun & Becky Hurrie: MTW: South Africa

Josh & Kristi: Serge: Middle East

Meals on Wheels: Concord, NC

Caty & Jim Tate: Globe International

Michael & Lindie Wadhams: MTW: Washington State

Gate Pregnancy Center: serving Cabarrus County



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PROVIDENCE  
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The Lord's Day, Sunday — April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024

*flourishing in God's Grace*  
gather + grow + extend

*The righteous... are planted in the house of the LORD;  
they flourish in the courts of our God.*

—Psalm 92:12-13

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

The Lord's Day, Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024



## PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP ..... Mark Weathers

Then I saw Heaven open wide—and oh! a white horse and its Rider. The Rider, named Faithful and True, judges and makes war in pure righteousness. His eyes are a blaze of fire, on His head many crowns. He has a Name inscribed that's known only to Himself. He is dressed in a robe soaked with blood, and He is addressed as "Word of God." The armies of Heaven, mounted on white horses and dressed in dazzling white linen, follow Him. A sharp sword comes out of His mouth so he can subdue the nations, then rule them with a rod of iron. He treads the winepress of the raging wrath of God, the Sovereign-Strong. On His robe and thigh is written, KING OF KINGS, LORD OF LORDS. —Revelation 19:11-16 (MSG)

### Rejoice, The Lord is King †

Rejoice, the Lord is King, Your Lord and King adore  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice  
Rejoice again, I say rejoice*

Jesus the Saviour reigns, the God of truth and love  
When He had purged our stains He took His seat above

His kingdom cannot fail, He rules o'er earth and heav'n  
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n

He sits at God's right hand till all His foes submit  
And bow to His command and fall beneath His feet

Rejoice in glorious hope, Jesus the Judge shall come  
And take His servants up to their eternal home

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## PRAYER OF ADORATION †

## WELCOME ..... Benjamin Ressler

LEADER: The Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you!**

## CALL TO WORSHIP † ..... Psalm 19:7-11 ..... Benjamin Ressler

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple; the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the rules of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether. More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold; sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb. Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

### All My Boast is in Jesus †

What wonder of wonders, what love is this, that Christ would die for me  
His goodness, His merit, His righteousness; this sinner's only plea  
O foolish pride be crucified; the work is finished

*All my boast is in Jesus, all my hope is His love  
And I will glory forever in what the cross has done*

Now fully forgiven my life is filled; with graces undeserved  
For mercy that flowed down that sacred hill; let praises now return  
Rise up my soul and bless the Lord; who else is worthy

*O praise the One forever blessed; Him alone my heart adores  
And I will boast in nothing less than the love of Christ my Lord*

I boast not in riches in strength or might, but in the grace of God  
I glory in weakness to live is Christ in plenty or in want  
That I may know that all may see, His pow'r within me

*Now I stand in His freedom, ransomed clean in His sight  
And I cannot be ashamed for my boast is Jesus Christ  
My boast is Jesus Christ, forever my boast is Jesus Christ*

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### O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing †

Oh for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of Thy name

Jesus the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace

He breaks the pow'r of reigning sin, He sets the pris'ner free  
His blood can make the foulest clean, His blood availed for me

He speaks and list'ning to His voice new life the dead receive  
The mournful broken hearts rejoice, the humble poor believe

Glory to God and praise and love be ever, ever giv'n  
By saints below and saints above, the church in earth and heav'n

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### Fairest Lord Jesus †

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature; O Thou of God and man the Son  
Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor; Thou my soul's glory, joy, and crown

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring

Jesus is fairer Jesus is purer; who makes the woeful heart to sing

Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all the angels heav'n can boast

Beautiful Saviour, Lord of all the nations, Son of God and Son of Man  
Glory and honor, praise adoration, now and forevermore be Thine

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## CONFESSION OF SIN ..... Phil Tackett

*Prayer from Paul E. Engle, Baker's Worship Handbook*

**IN UNISON: Almighty Father; we enter Your presence confessing the things we try to conceal from You and the things we try to conceal from others. We confess the heartbreak, worry, and sorrow we have caused, that make it difficult for others to forgive us, the times we have made it easy for others to do wrong, the harm we have done that makes it hard for us to forgive ourselves. Lord have mercy and forgive us through Christ. Amen.**

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON ..... Micah 7:18-19

<sup>18</sup> Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity, and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because He delights in steadfast love. <sup>19</sup> He will again have compassion on us; He will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

## WORSHIP THE LORD IN GIVING

*Bringing of our tithes and offerings to the Lord is an act of worship which results from a life transformed by the gospel. We invite all to worship in this way, not out of compulsion, or from a sense of duty, but from the heart, remembering Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."*

### Be Still My Soul

Be still my soul, the Lord is on thy side  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain  
Leave to thy God to order and provide  
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain  
Be still my soul, thy best, thy heav'nly friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Be still my soul, thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future as He has the past  
Thy hope, thy confidence, let nothing shake  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last  
Be still my soul, the waves and winds still know  
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below  
*In You I rest, in You I found my hope  
In You I trust, You never let me go  
I place my life within Your hands alone; be still my soul*

Be still my soul, the hour is hastening on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone  
Sorrow forgot, Love's purest joys restored  
Be still my soul when change and tears are past  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

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## CHILDREN ARE INVITED TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP

*Since the sermon content may be too difficult for children, we offer Children's Worship for those in K through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. Children should exit the sanctuary using the left side door closest to the piano (children will return to the sanctuary following the sermon).*

## THE WORD OF THE LORD ..... 1 Samuel 2:12-36 (pg 226 in pew Bibles)

## MESSAGE ..... Mark Weathers

### The Lord Is Your Keeper †

I will lift up my eyes to the hills, from whence cometh my help?  
My help comes from the Lord, who made Heaven and earth

He will not allow your foot to be moved, He who keeps you will not slumber  
Behold He who keeps Israel should neither slumber nor sleep

*The Lord is your keeper; the Lord is your shade at your right hand  
The sun shall not strike you by day nor the moon by night  
The Lord shall preserve you from all evil, He shall preserve your soul*

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

## BENEDICTION † ..... Mark Weathers

