

PRAYER & PRAISE

2025 PASSAGE OF THE YEAR:

23 Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 24 He who calls you is faithful; He will surely do it. –1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 (ESV)

Mon. 5/19: Flourishing in God’s Grace in your personal life

Morning: Num. 28, Ps. 72, Eve: Isa. 19, 20, 2 Pet. 1

- 1. Begin this week in praise and confession, using the lyrics from one of the worship songs on the opposite side.
- 2. Reflecting on our passage of the year (above), ask the Father to show you areas of your life—in your spirit, soul, or body—that need His sanctifying work.

Tues. 5/20: Flourishing in God’s Grace in your home

Morning: Num. 29, Ps. 73 Eve: Isa. 21, 2 Pet. 2

- 1. Pray for the Father to be active in your home, leading, guiding, and drawing every member into a closer relationship with Him and with each other through Christ Jesus.
- 2. Pray for our children and youth to be growing as disciples of Christ, learning how to apply the Gospel to themselves. Pray, too, for parents in raising their children to follow after the Lord.
- 3. Pray for any in your family who are not walking with the Lord nor living lives that are pleasing to Him. Pray for His Spirit to pursue them and call them back.

Wed. 5/21: Flourishing in Grace in our church family

Morning: Num. 30, Ps. 74 Eve: Isa. 22, 2 Pet. 3

- 1. Ask the Spirit of Christ to empower us to love one another in our church body as He commands. Pray against all those things that could harm us: gossip, slander, bitterness, pride, self-righteousness, anxiety, and resentment.
- 2. Pray for those in our church who desire to grow their families through birth or adoption.
- 3. Continue to remember Katy Kluttz who’s in the midst of health trials and residual pain from former treatments and continual oral chemotherapy.
- 4. Pray for Libby Klevenhagen, who has been suffering from dizziness and nauseous for the past several weeks. Pray for her as she works with her doctor in finding a remedy.
- 5. Regarding our ministry teams, pray for our Celebrations Team and their ministry to plan and execute church gatherings, brunches, and banquets.

Thurs. 5/22: Flourishing in God’s Grace in the community

Morning: Num. 31, Ps. 75, 76 Eve: Isa. 23, 1 John 1

- 1. Pray for the Lord to bring us the right person to take over the position of Administrative Assistant at Providence.
- 2. Looking at our coming events (to the right), pray for the Spirit to use these opportunities to advance the message of the Gospel and to make mature disciples.
- 3. Thinking of our ministry partners in North America, let us remember Stephen & Karen Baldwin and their calling to mentor church planting couples around the nation.
- 4. Pray for the Lord to give us His vision of church planting and outreach within our community and within our Presbytery. Pray, too, for the Lord to continue growing us.
- 5. Remembering the churches of our Presbytery, let us pray for New Hope Presbyterian Church, in China Grove, and for James Byers, its pastor.

Fri. 5/23: Flourishing in God’s Grace in the nation

Morning: Num. 32, Ps. 77 Eve: Isa. 24, 1 John 2

- 1. Pray for our leaders following 1 Tim. 2:1-2: ...I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.
- 2. Pray for peace and unity in our nation. Pray too for the Holy Spirit to bring revival to our nation.

Sat 5/24: Flourishing in God’s Grace in the World

Morning: Num. 33, Ps. 78:1-37 Eve: Isa. 25, 1 John 3

- 1. Thinking of our global missions partners, pray for Shawn & Becky Hurrie and their ministry to pastors and churches in South Africa.
- 2. Pray for Mission to the World, The PCA’s world mission agency.

Sun. 5/25: Flourishing in God’s Grace on the Lord’s Day

Morning: Num. 34, Ps. 78:38-72 Eve: Isa. 26, 1 John 4

- 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 church this morning, that God would prepare hearts to hear the Gospel.

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, please take some time 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.

TODAY (MAY 18)

9:00 AM Called Session meeting (Study)

9:05 AM Prayer (Library)

9:30 AM Worship

11:00 AM Christian Education (CE)

- Infants/Kindergarten (Toddler Nursery)
- 1st-5th Grade (Café)
- Middle & High School (Education Room)
- The Art of Sharing the Gospel (Sanctuary)

THIS WEEK

Session & Deacons meeting. Tuesday, May 20, 7 PM (Café).

Men’s Evening Bible Study: Thursday, 6:30 PM at the Ressler’s’.

Men’s Morning Bible Study: Fri, 6-7 AM in the Café (breakfast provided).

COMING EVENTS

Pancake Brunch & Blood Drive. Sunday, June 1, following CE (RSVP on the church app or one of the sign up sheets at church).

Sunday Evening Worship. Sunday, June 1, 6:00-7:00 PM.

Vacation Bible Club: Running in Faith.

July 22-25. Register now.

IMPORTANT NEEDS

Volunteers Needed. We’re still needing teachers in children’s ministry, help with worship slides, and sound board. Talk to Mark, Ben, or Adam if interested.

Part-time Administrative Assistant. Join us in praying for the Lord to bring the right person to fill the position of Administrative Assistant here at Providence.

TODAY’S VOLUNTEERS (5/18)

Servants of the Day (SOD): G Spaugh, J Garrigues

Greeters: Gary Mehall, Leslie Johnson

Video: Tess Ressler

Sound: TBD

Infants & Toddlers: Elizabeth Evans, F. Hassenfritz

Children’s Worship: Community Sunday

Infant-K CE: Christie Spaugh, Sheryl Troutman (Café)

1st-5th Grade CE: Judy Elmore, Nita Whitaker (Café)

Middle & High CE: Benjamin & Jill Ressler

Crescent Heights: Adam Klevenhagen, 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 (5/25)

Servants of the Day (SOD): Clay Smith, James Polk

Greeters: Adam & Libby Klevenhagen, Michelle Kurtz

Video: Tess Ressler

Sound: TBD

Infants & Toddlers: L. Klevenhagen, H. Golombowski

Children’s Worship: A Klevenhagen, Corban Ressler

Infant-K CE: Christie Spaugh, Nita Whitaker

1st-5th Grade CE: Sheryl Troutman, Judy Elmore

Middle & High CE: Benjamin & Jill Ressler

Crescent Heights: Keith & Nita Whitaker

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: Martin Downing, Adam Klevenhagen, Jesse Larson, Benjamin Ressler (clerk), 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

Cooperative Christian Ministries: Concord, NC

Gate Pregnancy Center: serving Cabarrus County

Meals on Wheels: Concord, NC

Elder Orphan Care: Concord, NC

Andrew & Amanda Goyzueta: RUF: Davidson College

Juan & Kelsey Rodriguez: RUF: UNC Charlotte

Minister to State: George Sayour: Raleigh, NC

Stephen & Karen Baldwin: Provisions Group

Michael & Lindie Wadhams: MTW: Washington State

Rick & Anne Harper: Serge: Vienna, Austria

Bob & Keren Heppe: Serge: London, England

Shaun & Becky Hurrie: MTW: South Africa

Josh & Kristi: Serge: East Africa

Jim & Caty Tate: Globe International

Covenant Children’s Home: Khen & Rith Tombing, Manipur, India



Community Sunday, May 18th, 2025

THE APOSTLES’ CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker 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, dead, and buried;
He descended into hell;
the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of
God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come 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.

* catholic means “universal” and is to be understood as the true Christian church of all times and all places.

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



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Community Sunday, May 18th, 2025

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR WORSHIP

Adam Klevenhagen

¹ Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity! ² It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes! ³ It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion! For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore. –Psalm 133 (ESV)

Only A Holy God †

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven?
Who else could make every king bow down?
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles?
Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises?
What other splendor outshines the sun?
What other majesty rules with justice?
Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only
Cry out sing holy, forever a Holy God
Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire?
What other power can raise the dead?
What other name remains undefeated?
Only a Holy God

Who else could rescue me from my failing?
Who else would offer His only Son?
Who else invites me to call Him Father?
Only a Holy God; only my Holy God

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PRAYER OF ADORATION †

Benjamin Ressler

WELCOME

Mark Weathers

LEADER: You are a broken mess!
PEOPLE: So also are you!

CALL TO WORSHIP †

..... Jeremiah 9:23-24 (NIV)

Mark Weathers

²³ This is what the LORD says: “Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, ²⁴ but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD, who exercises kindness, justice and righteousness on earth, for in these I delight,” declares the LORD.

There Is One Gospel †

There is one Gospel on which I stand; for all eternity
It is my story my Father’s plan; the Son has rescued me
Oh what a Gospel oh what a peace; my highest joy and my deepest need
Now and forever He is my light; I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel to which I cling; all else I count as loss
For there where justice and mercy meet; He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring; no more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life; I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

There is one Gospel where hope is found; the empty tomb still speaks
For death could not keep my Saviour down; He lives and I am free
Now on my Saviour I fix my eyes; my life is His and His hope is mine
For he has promised I too will rise; I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

And in this Gospel the church is one; we do not walk alone
We have His Spirit as we press on; to lead us safely home
And when in glory still I will sing; of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Saviour the King of life; I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

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Come Unto Jesus †

Come unto Jesus all you who are weary
Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel
Here bring your wounded hearts, broken and needy
Come unto Jesus, mighty to heal

Joy of the comfortless, light for the straying
Hope of the penitent, peace in our strife
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying
“My yoke is easy, my burden is light”

Come unto Jesus, come unto Jesus;
Lay down your burdens, He is enough
Come unto Jesus, rest in His love

Come taste the Bread of Life, broken for sinners
Drink from the cup of His promise made sure
Feast at His table as sons and daughters
Grace over-flowing is yours ever-more

Come now and follow Him, this life forsaking
All that was gain count as nothing but loss
Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading
Come unto Jesus, take up your cross

Come unto Jesus, take up your cross; life everlasting He offers to us

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MISSIONS UPDATE & PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

Tara Weathers

Please take a moment to sign the missions prayer card in your bulletin and add a note if you'd like (or even a bible verse). Tear off the top portion and drop it in the offering bags during the worship in giving or in the offering box at the back of the sanctuary.

WORSHIP THE LORD IN GIVING

Bringing 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.

How Sweet and Aweful is this Place

How sweet and awful is the place with Christ within the doors
While everlasting love displays, the choicest of her stores

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast
Each of us cry with thankful tongues, “Lord, why was I a guest?”

“Why was I made to hear Thy voice and enter while there’s room
When thousands make a wretched choice and rather starve than come?”

‘Twas the same love that spread the feast, that sweetly drew us in
Else we had still refused to taste and perished in our sin

Pity the nations, O our God; constrain the earth to come
Send Thy victorious Word abroad and bring the strangers home

We long to see Thy churches full, that all the chosen race
May with one voice and heart and soul sing Thy redeeming grace

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RECOGNIZING OUR SENIORS

Benjamin Ressler

This year we only have one senior to recognize: Jameson Mah. Jameson is graduating from West Cabarrus High School and will be attending UNC Chapel Hill in the fall.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

1 Thessalonians 2:17-3:5 (pg 986)

PREPARING OUR HEARTS FOR THE LORD’S TABLE

Mark Weathers

WORSHIP AT THE LORD’S TABLE

The Lord's Supper is the family meal of Jesus’ Disciples. All true followers of Christ Jesus are welcome to the Table – those who have given their life in faith to the Lord, have repented of their sins (and continue to repent in our on-going struggles with sin), are baptized members in good standing in the Lord’s Church, and who are seeking to live as becomes the followers of Christ.

[Note about the wine: the purple-tinted cups on the outer rim of the communion trays contain grape juice, and the center clear cups contain wine].

Doxology †

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow – Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host – Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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CONFESSION OF FAITH †

The Apostles’ Creed

BENEDICTION †

Mark Weathers

NOTES

† Please stand if able

Please take this bulletin home with you for personal worship and prayer throughout the week.