

PROVIDENCE CHURCH

11 A.M. MAY 5, 2024

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Silent Prayer

* Opening Praise (Sing Together)

Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*Call to Worship

From: Psalm 111

Leader: We lift up our hearts to the Lord-Praise the Lord!

People: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart.

Leader: Great are the works of the Lord,

People: studied by all who delight in them.

Leader: Full of splendor and majesty is His work,

People: and His righteousness endures forever.

Prayer of Invocation

* Hymn: *The Earth and Its Riches* #24B

Scriptural Exhortation: Isaiah 5:20-23

Prayer of Confession: **Almighty God, we are unworthy to come into your presence, because of our many sins. We do not deserve any grace or mercy from you, if you dealt with us as we deserve. We have sinned against you, O Lord, and we have offended you. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge you to be a**

merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to you. And so we humbly ask you, for the sake of Christ your son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. Forgive the sins of our youth, and the sins of our old age. By your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that, not only the actions of our life, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thought of our minds, may be guided and governed by you. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Psalm 85:2-3

* Hymn of Response: *How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place* #425

* Affirmation of Faith; Westminster Larger Catechism

Q31: With whom was the covenant of grace made?

A31: The covenant of grace was made with Christ as the second Adam, and in him with all the elect as his seed.

Q32: How is the grace of God manifested in the second covenant?

A32: The grace of God is manifested in the second covenant, in that he freely provideth and offereth to sinners a Mediator, and life and salvation by him; and requiring faith as the condition to interest them in him, promiseth and giveth his Holy Spirit to all his elect, to work in them that faith, with all other saving graces; and to enable them unto all holy obedience, as the evidence of the truth of their faith and thankfulness to God, and as the way which he hath appointed them to salvation.

Prayer of the Congregation and The Lord's Prayer
Ruling Elder Dan Wilkerson

**Our Father, Who art in heaven,
Hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread,
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power,
And the glory forever, Amen.**

* Hymn: *O Zion, Haste, Your Mission High Fulfilling* #419

Reading of Scripture for the Sermon: Mark 4:1-20

Sermon Title: The Word of the Kingdom Rev. Mark Sumpter

* 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,
And born of the virgin Mary,
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was 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.**

*Hymn: *Lead on, O King Eternal* #544

*Benediction