

PROVIDENCE CHURCH

11 A.M. MAY 12, 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 148

Leader: Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens,

People: Praise Him from the height.

Leader: Praise Him all His angels, praise Him, all His host!

People: Praise Him, sun and moon, praise Him, all you shining stars!

Leader: Praise Him, you highest heavens!

People: Let them praise the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Invocation

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

Scriptural Exhortation: Galatians 5: 13-17

Prayer of Confession: **O Lord God, eternal and almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge unfeignedly before thy holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to do evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress thy holy commandments without end**

or ceasing: Wherefore we purchase for ourselves, through thy righteous judgment, our ruin and perdition. Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended thee; and we condemn ourselves and our sins with true repentance, beseeching thy grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as thou dost blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of thy Holy Spirit: that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which shall bring forth true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: Micah 7:18-19

* Hymn of Response: *It Is Well with my Soul* #476

* Affirmation of Faith; Westminster Larger Catechism

Q192: What do we pray for in the third petition?

A192: In the third petition (which is, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven,) acknowledging, that by nature we and all men are not only utterly unable and unwilling to know and do the will of God, but prone to rebel against his word, to repine and murmur against his providence, and wholly inclined to do the will of the flesh, and of the devil: we pray, that God would by his Spirit take away from ourselves and others all blindness, weakness, indisposedness, and perverseness of heart; and by his grace make us able and willing to know, do, and submit to his will in all things, with the like humility, cheerfulness, faithfulness, diligence, zeal, sincerity, and constancy, as the angels do in heaven.

Prayer of the Congregation and The Lord's Prayer

Ruling Elder Norval Sells

**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: *God Moves in a Mysterious Way* #256
(Stanzas 1-4)

Reading of Scripture for the Sermon: Ruth 1:1-5

Sermon Title: Why Ruth? Rev. Harry Monroe

* 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: *Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment* #255

*Benediction