

PROVIDENCE CHURCH, PCA

THE CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP - April 19th, 2026—11:00 a.m.

Song of Ascent

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

This is My Father's World

*Please stand if you are able.

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 103:1-5

LEADER: Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me, bless his holy name!

PEOPLE: **Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,**

LEADER: who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,

PEOPLE: **who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,**

ALL: **who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

***HYMN OF PRAISE***Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, #53*

***INVOCATION**

GOD INVITES US TO THE MEANS OF GRACE

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Q.1

Q. *What is your only comfort in life and in death?*

**A. That I am not my own,
but belong—
body and soul,
in life and in death—
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,
and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil.
He also watches over me in such a way
that not a hair can fall from my head
without the will of my Father in heaven;
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.
Because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,**

**assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready
from now on to live for him.**

CALL TO CONFESSION OF SIN

Psalm 56:11

"...in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can man do to me?"

SILENT AND PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 Peter 2:24

"He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed."

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 5:13-16

OFFERTORY

Be Thou My Vision (#642)

PASTORAL PRAYER

*HYMN OF PREPARATION *Before You I Kneel (A Worker's Prayer)*

**1. Before You I kneel, my Master and Maker,
To offer the work of my hands.
For this is the day You've given Your servant;
I will rejoice and be glad
For the strength I have to live and breathe,
For each skill Your grace has given me,
For the needs and opportunities
That will glorify Your great name.**

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**2. Before You I kneel and ask for Your goodness
To cover the work of my hands.
For patience and peace to shape all my labor,
Your grace for thorns in my path.
Flow within me like a living stream,
Wear away the stones of pride and greed
'Til Your ways are dwelling deep in me
And a harvest of life is grown.**

**3. Before You we kneel, our Master and Maker;
Establish the work of our hands.
And order our steps to seek first Your kingdom
In every small and great task.**

May we live the gospel of Your grace,
Serve Your purpose in our fleeting days,
Then our lives will bring eternal praise
And all glory to Your great name.

SERMON

Genesis 12:1-5
Abraham – Father of Missions

Rev. Paul Meiners

*HYMN OF RESPONSE *I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord, #505*

GOD BLESSES US & SENDS US OUT

*BENEDICTION

Ephesians 3:20-21

"Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

POSTLUDE *For the Cause (Getty)*

Providence APRIL Birthdays

6	Alexis Andrew	20	Patrick Randall
7	David Hina	25	Byron Bekken
19	Daniel Randall (2 y/o!!)		