



Worship
October 11, 2020
Ordinary 28A

Providence
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Gathering
Welcome and Announcements

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**Offerings will be taken
at the door as you enter
or leave the Sanctuary.**

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Opening Sentences

We have been called to the banquet.

We have been summoned to the wedding.

For this indeed is the feast of life and light.

From the streets and the byways,

God has invited us.

We have come to the banquet that has no end.

Alleluia! Amen!

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Gathering Prayer

Ever-present God, you never leave us.

Help us to stay with you

when we are tempted to flee,

and keep us seeking after that which is true,

that all may know that you are the Lord, our God,

a tenacious presence in whatever our reality.

Through Christ, we pray. Amen.

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Prayer of Confession

You invite us to your feast, O God, and we do not come. You desire us to give thanks for life, and we fail in our thanksgiving. You have made for us a wonderful earth, and we neglect the gift. Forgive us for what we have done and for abandoning the pathway you yearn for us to follow. Be our guide and conscience. Turn our feet and hands and hearts to your will, that all we do might give glory to you...

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Silent, personal confession

...In the name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

The God of peace, who calls all creation to live in unity, hears your plea. In the spirit of feasting and thanksgiving, in the mercy of Almighty God, friends, believe the good news of the gospel...

**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.
Thanks be to God.**

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Grateful Response

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.**

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Passing the Peace

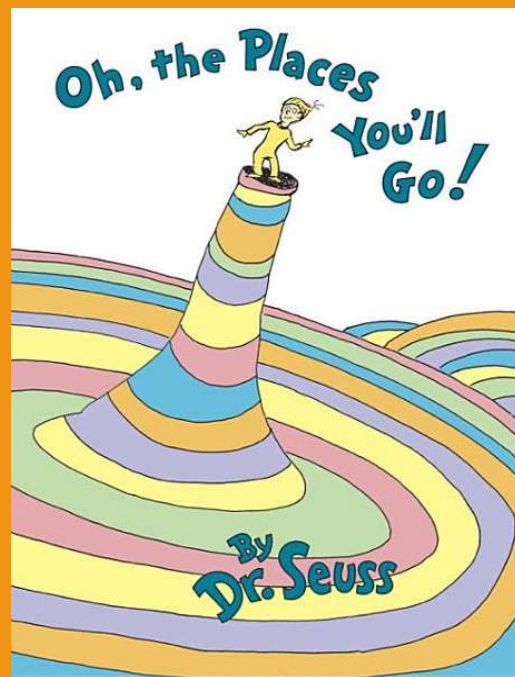
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ
be with you all.

And also with you.

*Please greet each other, "Peace be with you."
with an air hug or a namaste bow.*

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Time with the Younger Church



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First Scripture Lesson: Exodus 32:1-14

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron, and said to him, "Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him." ²Aaron said to them, "Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, them to me." ³So all the people

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took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. ⁴He took the gold from them, formed it in a mold, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, “These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!” ⁵When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, “Tomorrow shall be a festival to the LORD.” ⁶They rose early the next day, and offered burnt offerings and brought sacrifices of

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well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

⁷The LORD said to Moses, “Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said,

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‘These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt! ⁹The LORD said to Moses, “I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. ¹⁰Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.” ¹¹But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, “O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great

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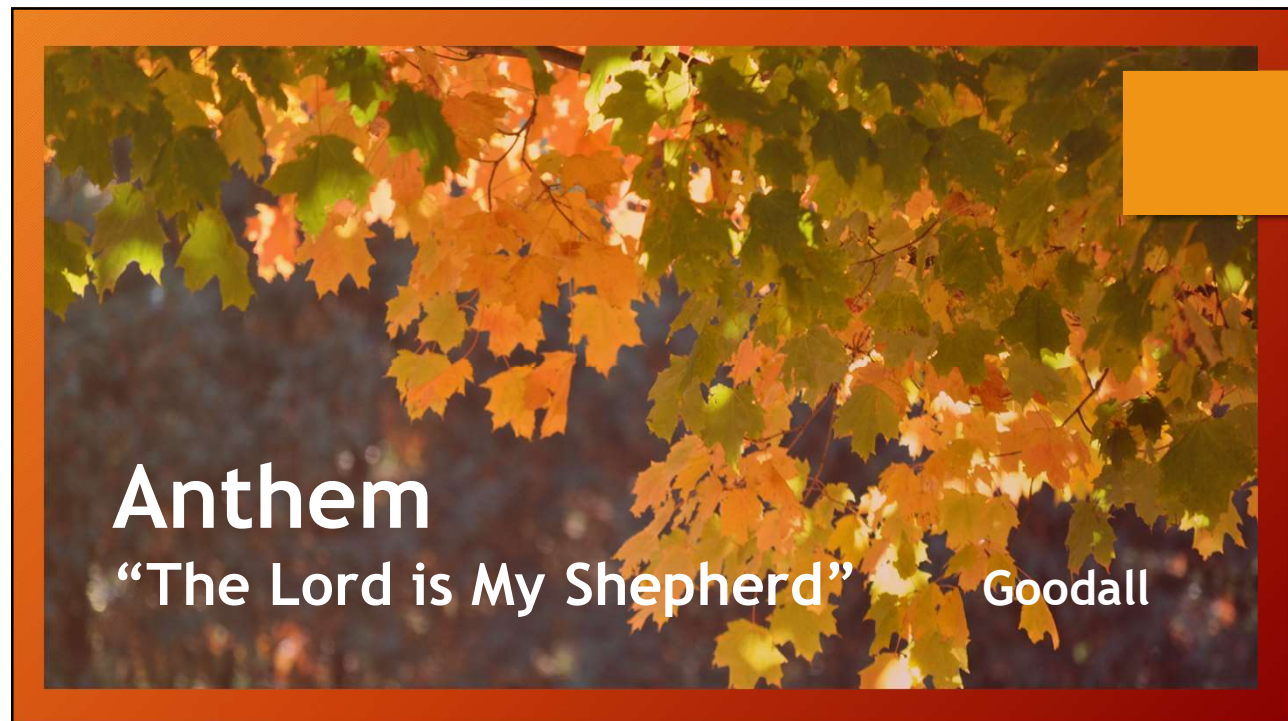
power and with a mighty hand? ¹²Why should the Egyptians say, ‘It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth’? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, ‘I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and

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all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.”¹⁴ And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

**This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.**

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Second Scripture Lesson: Matthew 22:1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying:
 2“‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king
 who gave a wedding banquet for his son. 3He sent his
 slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding
 banquet, but they would not come. 4Again he sent other
 slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look,
 I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves

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have been slaughtered, and everything is ready;
 come to the wedding banquet.’ 5But they made
 light of it and went away, one to his farm,
 another to his business, 6while the rest seized
 his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them.
 7The king was enraged. He sent his troops,
 destroyed those murderers, and burned their
 city. 8Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding
 is ready, but those invited were not worthy. 9Go
 therefore into the main streets, and invite

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everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’
10Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.
11“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, 12and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. 13Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot,

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and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’
14For many are called, but few are chosen.”

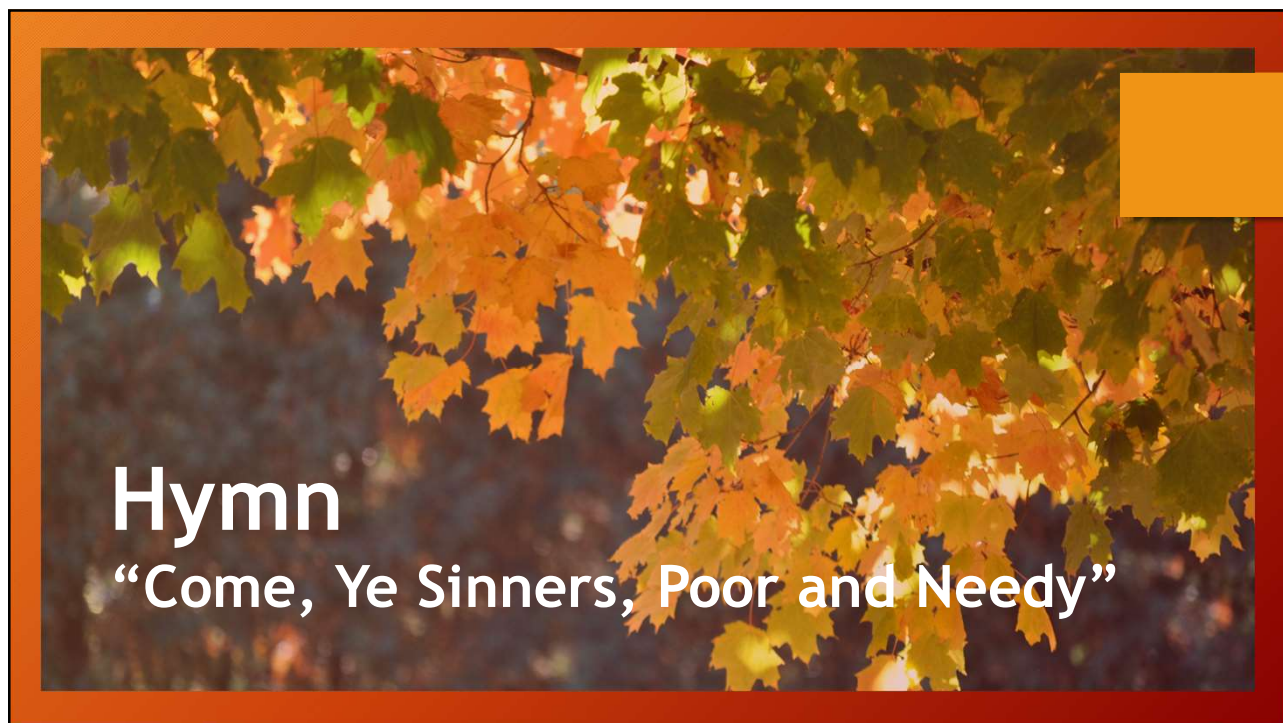
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Sermon
Proper Attire Required

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Hymn
"Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy"

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¹ Come, ye sinners, poor and needy,
 weak and wounded, sick and sore;
 Jesus ready stands to save you,
 full of pity, love, and power.

**I will arise and go to Jesus;
 he will embrace me in his arms.
 In the arms of my dear Savior,
 O there are ten thousand charms.**

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² Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome;
 God's free bounty glorify,
 true belief and true repentance,
 every grace that brings you nigh.

**I will arise and go to Jesus;
 he will embrace me in his arms.
 In the arms of my dear Savior,
 O there are ten thousand charms.**

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³ Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
lost and ruined by the fall;
if you tarry till you're better,
you will never come at all.

**I will arise and go to Jesus;
he will embrace me in his arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O there are ten thousand charms.**

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⁴ Let not conscience make you linger,
nor of fitness fondly dream;
all the fitness he requireth
is to feel your need of him.

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he will embrace me in his arms.
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The Lord's Prayer

...Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

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