

THE LORD'S DAY
JANUARY 25, 2026

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Pastor

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~ ORDER OF WORSHIP ~

JANUARY 25, 2026 ~ 10:30 AM WORSHIP

PRELUDE

Please enter the sanctuary and prepare quietly for worship. Please silence all phones and devices.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GREETING, SALUTATION, AND VOTUM

Our help is in the name of the Lord, maker of heaven and Earth. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

~WORSHIP IN PRAISE~

§CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 99:1-5

Pew Bible p. 500

The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The Lord is great in Zion;

he is exalted over all the peoples.

Let them praise your great and awesome name!

Holy is he!

The King in his might loves justice.

You have established equity;

you have executed justice

and righteousness in Jacob.

Exalt the Lord our God;

worship at his footstool!

Holy is he!

§PRAYER OF INVOCATION

§PSALM

*The Heavens Above Declare #19A
Psalm of the Month*

~WORSHIP IN CONFESSION~

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Pew Bible p. 978

The new life of the believer: the new mind, new self, new behavior.

Ephesians 4:17-32

SILENT CONFESSION OF SIN

You are encouraged to confess and repent of particular sins, particularly.

WCF 15.5; Ps. 19:13; 1 Tim. 1:13, 15

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Minister

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 John 1:8-10

Pew Bible p. 1021

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

CONFESSTION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed
Trinity Psalter Hymnal p. 851

~WORSHIP IN GRATITUDE AND THANKSGIVING~

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

§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:

~WORSHIP AND THE MEANS OF GRACE~

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

§PSALM

#70A

Psalms for January Booklet

THE SERMON

Rev. William F. Hill, Jr.

Scripture Reading: Romans 1:8-17

Sermon Title: The Righteous Shall Live By Faith (Romans 1:16, 17)

Pew Bible p. 939

Sermon Series: The Power of God for Salvation

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

§HYMN

I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord #186

§BENEDICTION

Hebrews 13:20, 21

Pew Bible p. 1010

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

§GLORIA PATRI

#571

Tune: Meineke

~ANNOUNCEMENTS~



We welcome all visitors today. For more information about Providence Presbyterian Church, please scan the QR code or pick up a visitor's packet in the foyer.

- **SERMON PLANNER: January-February 2026**
 - January 25: AM: Romans 1:16, 17
 - February 1: AM: Romans 1:18-25
 - February 8: AM: Romans 1:22-32 | PM: Genesis 16:1-16
 - February 15: AM: Romans 2:1-11 | PM: Genesis 17:1-14
 - February 22: AM Romans 2:12-16
- **LORD's SUPPER PREPARATION: January-February 2026:**
 - January 25: Kelly Betsworth
 - February 1: Pastor
 - February 8: Wayne Roberts
 - February 15: Gwen Hill
 - February 22: Kelly Betsworth
- The **Weekly Bible reading plan** is on page 13 of the bulletin.
- **COMING UP:**
 - **WINTER FORMAL DINNER:** February 20 from 6-8 PM
 - **MEN'S STUDY:** Starting February 7th from 8:30-9:30 at the church.
Book: *The Redeemed Man*. You will need the book to participate.
- **PLEASE NOTE** the change to the Lord's Day Schedule found on page 12. You will meet at the home of your Shepherding Elder at 4 PM **TODAY**.
 - **RE Matzen:** Betsworth (Brad, Kelly, John), Keller, Roberts
 - **RE Moad:** Alldredge, Ortizaleman, Hill (Gwen), Sandage
- **SHEPHERDING VISITS:** Please respond in a timely fashion when your month comes due. You will find the schedule on page 11.
- The ***Prayer and Family Worship Guide*** for February is available on the table.

~CHURCH CALENDAR~

JANUARY 2026

Lord's Day, Jan. 25

Wednesday, Jan. 28

Thursday, Jan. 29

9:15 am Sunday School: Devotional and Prayer
10:30 am Worship
2:30 pm Walnut Creek Service
4-6 PM Shepherding Groups and Fellowship
5:30 pm Meal
6 pm Prayer Meeting
6 pm Trail Life

FEBRAURY 2026

Lord's Day, Feb. 1

Wednesday, Feb. 4

Thursday, Feb. 5

Saturday, Feb. 7

Lord's Day, Feb. 8

Wednesday, Feb. 11

Thursday, Feb. 12

Lord's Day, Feb. 15

Tuesday, Feb. 17

Wednesday, Feb. 18

Thursday, Feb. 19

Friday, Feb. 20

9:45 am Sunday School: Devotional and Prayer
10:30 am Worship
2:30 pm EVV Protestant Home Service
4-6 PM Shepherding Groups and Fellowship
5:30 pm Meal
6 pm Prayer Meeting
6 pm Trail Life
8:30 am Men's Study
9:45 am Sunday School: Devotional and Prayer
10:30 am Worship
6 pm Worship
5:30 pm Meal
6 pm Prayer Meeting
6 pm Trail Life
9:45 am Sunday School: Devotional and Prayer
10:30 am Worship
6 pm Worship
5 pm Session Meeting
5:30 pm Meal
6 pm Prayer Meeting
6 pm Trail Life
6-8 pm Winter Dinner

ABOUT PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- **THE SESSION:** Mr. David Matzen (Stated Clerk; davidallyn39@gmail.com); Dr. Andrew Moad; Rev. William F. Hill, Jr. (Moderator; wfhill@providencechurchevv.com)
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COMMITTEES OF PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Worship: Pastor Hill

Education: Pastor Hill

Deacons: Dr. Andy Moad

Finances: Mr. David Matzen

Hospitality: Pastor Hill

Missions: Mr. David Matzen

Building: Deacons

Outreach: Mr. David Matzen

Singles: Dr. Andy Moad

~ PRAYING FOR THE SAINTS AND THE WORLD ~

Family of the Week: David Matzen

Country of the Week: Jordan

COUNTRY OF THE WEEK

JORDAN

- Pray for the protection of Christian converts from Islam who are threatened by their Muslim families.
- Thousands of Syrian refugees live in Jordan. Pray that they will see the love of Christ in Jordanian Christians.
- Pray for Muhammad, who was fired from his job after his boss discovered that he had left Islam to follow Christ.
- Pray for Syrian refugees who have become Christians and now fear being returned to Syria.
- Only 2% of Jordanians are Christians. Pray that they will make the most of opportunities to witness and plant churches.

~ GIVING ~

Giving as of January 18, 2026

YTD Giving: 3573

YTD Budget: \$3960

Difference: (\$387)

MORNING SERMON NOTES

ROMANS 1:16-17

Introduction

Proposition Statement:

Conclusion



~ SHEPHERDING VISITS ~

Schedule: January-April 2026

JANUARY

Alldredge
Betsworth, Brad and Kelly
Betsworth, John

FEBRUARY

Keller
Matzen

MARCH

Moad
Ortizaleman

APRIL

Roberts
Sandage

Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God,[e] which he obtained with his own blood.

Acts 20:28, ESV



~ NEW LORD'S DAY

SCHEDULE ~

1st and 4th Lord's Days of the Month:

9:45 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

2:30 PM Evansville Protestant Home (1st Lord's Day) | Walnut Creek (4th Lord's Day)

4 – 6 PM Fellowship at the home of the member's shepherding elder

Hymn and Psalm sing

Food and fellowship

Brief instruction

2nd and 3rd Lord's Day of the Month:

9:45 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

6 PM Worship

5th Lord's Day of the Month (March, May, August, and November 2026)

9:45 AM Sunday School

10:30 AM Worship

12:30 PM Fellowship Meal (at the church)

2:30 PM Walnut Creek

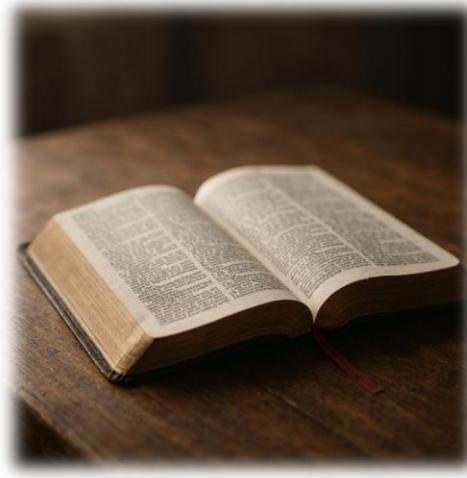
6 PM Worship

~ WEEKLY BIBLE READING PLAN ~

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

2 Timothy 3:16-17, ESV

Suggestion: Use the New Testament reading in Family Worship



25 Lord's Day: Sermon Texts: Romans 1:16-17

26 Monday: 2 Kings 5-6 | Matthew 18 | Psalm 123

27 Tuesday: 2 Kings 7-8 | Matthew 19 | Psalm 124

28 Wednesday: 2 Kings 9-10 | Matthew 20 | Psalm 125

29 Thursday: 2 Kings 11-12 | Matthew 21 | Psalm 126

30 Friday: 2 Kings 13-14 | Matthew 22 | Psalm 127

31 Saturday: Sermon Text: Romans 1:18-25

~ 3 THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT ROMANS ~

Dr. J.V. Fesko

The book of Romans has left an indelible impression on the lives of God's people throughout the ages. The early church theologian Augustine ran from God throughout his life, but God relentlessly pursued him. One day, he was sitting in his garden and overheard children singing, *tolle lege*, "Take up and read." Augustine opened the Bible to Romans 13:13–14: "Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires."

The sixteenth century Reformer Martin Luther was once asked whether he loved God. "Love God?" Luther responded, "Sometimes I hate Him." Luther feared that God would punish him no matter how hard he tried to please Him. God opened his eyes through the Spirit to understand the Apostle Paul's famous statement: "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, 'The righteous shall live by faith'" (Rom. 1:16–17). Luther realized that when Paul wrote of God's righteousness, he did not refer to God's own righteousness but the gift of righteousness that comes to sinners by faith in Christ. When God opened Luther's eyes, he said, "Here, I felt that I was altogether born again and the very gates of paradise opened up before me."

The eighteenth century preacher John Wesley had little interest in the gospel until he attended a meeting where someone read from Luther's preface to Romans:

While he was describing the change which God works in the heart through faith in Christ, I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation; and an assurance was given me that He had taken away my sins, even mine, and saved me from the law of sin and death.

These encounters with this book highlight three things that we should know about the book of Romans.

1. The gospel is a free gift from God.

First, salvation is a free gift. History is littered with religions that preach a quid pro quo message of redemption—you must perform acts of goodness in order to be saved. This was Luther's burden that created angst and even animosity in his heart toward God. He knew that God was righteous and His law was exacting—there was no way he could perform enough good works to outweigh his sins. As King David cried out, "Enter not into judgment with your servant, for no one living is righteous before you" (Ps. 143:2). The same sentiment appears in a Psalm of Ascent, "If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand?" (Ps. 130:3). Luther was

acutely aware of this truth but then, in His mercy, God opened Luther's eyes to see that God has given the perfect obedience and suffering of Christ in our stead. This outpouring of grace is, as Paul says, "the free gift of God" (Rom. 6:23; 5:15–17).

2. Salvation is received by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone.

Second, like Luther, by the sovereign grace of God, Wesley realized that the only way to receive the gift of salvation was by trusting in Christ alone for his salvation. As Paul writes, "But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe" (Rom. 3:21–22; cf. 5:1; 10:6, 17). Paul elsewhere elaborates on this truth in his letter to Ephesus when he writes: "For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; It is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast" (Eph. 2:8–9).

3. The gospel has freed us from Satan, sin, and death so we can walk in newness of life.

Third, when God saves us by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, He does so unto the goal of walking in newness of life; that is, living in holiness and righteousness. The gifts of the gospel and faith in Christ are not a license to sin, as Paul emphatically denies:

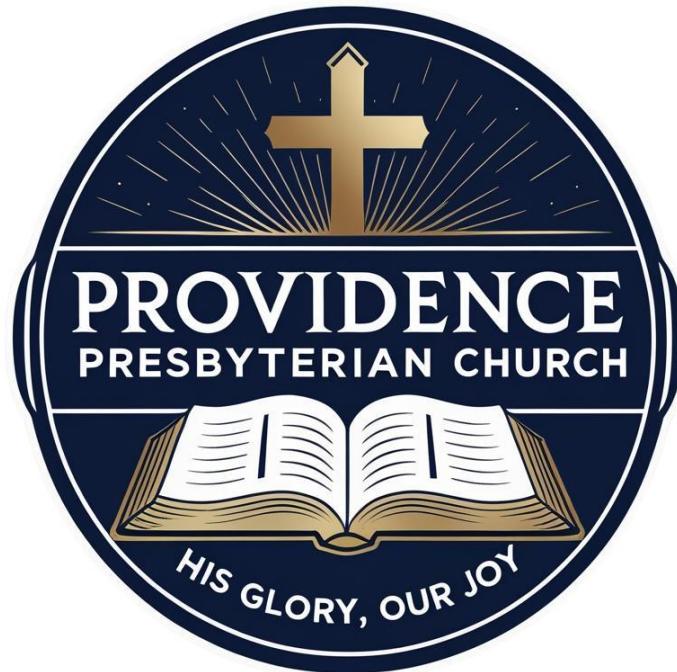
Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! . . . We were buried therefore with [Christ] by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. (Rom. 6:1–4)

God confronted Augustine with this truth when he heard the children chanting "take up and read" and opened the Bible to Romans 13:13–14. Augustine knew he needed to repent of his sins, and only the grace of God in Christ could enable him to do so that he might live in holiness.

Three things you should know about Romans are that (1) the gospel is a free gift from God, (2) salvation is a gift we receive by grace alone, through faith alone, in Christ alone, and (3) that the gospel has freed us from Satan, sin, and death so we can walk in the newness of life. Augustine, Luther, and Wesley learned these truths by God's grace, and our prayer should be that God's Holy Spirit would indelibly imprint them on our hearts as well.

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