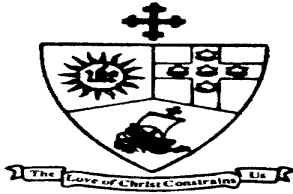


THE METHODIST CHURCH IN THE CARIBBEAN AND THE AMERICAS- JAMAICA DISTRICT
PROVIDENCE CIRCUIT



DISTRICT THEME:

*"Spreading Scriptural Holiness throughout the Land,
Beginning with me"*

DISTRICT PRESIDENT

Bishop Christine Gooden-Benguche

CIRCUIT SUPERINTENDENT MINISTER

Rev'd Dr. George Mulrain

PROVIDENCE METHODIST CHURCH

132 Old Hope Road, Kingston 6

TEL: 876-9775971 / 977-6489

Website: www.providencemethodistja.com

DIVINE WORSHIP

2ND LORD'S DAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Sunday, December 17, 2021

8:30 a.m.

LITURGIST

Rev'd Dr. George Mulrain

PREACHER

Audrey Rodney Robinson

READERS

(Sunday School)

Nicolai Banton

Milan Harrison

ORDER OF WORSHIP

WELCOME:

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: For God alone my soul waits in silence, for my hope is from him.

Cong: He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

Leader: On God rests my deliverance and my honour; my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

Cong: Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us.

Leader: Those of low estate are but a breath, those of high estate are a delusion; in the balances they go up; they are together lighter than breath.

Cong: Put no confidence in extortion, and set no vain hopes on robbery; if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.

Leader: Once God has spoken; twice I have heard this: that power belongs to God,

Cong: and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord. For you repay to all according to their work.

HYMN : "Joyful, joyful, we adore thee (#5 VIP) verses 1, 2 & 3

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g3RhvVfCOII&list=RDOYKP2p6uEkM&index=13>

1 JOYFUL, joyful, we adore thee,
God of glory, Lord of love;
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
opening to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
drive the dark of doubt away.

Giver of immortal gladness,
fill us with the light of day!

2 All thy works with joy surround thee,
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
stars and angels sing around thee,
centre of unbroken praise.

Field and forest, vale and mountain,
flowery meadow, flashing sea,
chanting bird and flowing fountain,
call us to rejoice in thee.

3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
ever blessing, ever blest,
well-spring of the joy of living,
ocean depth of happy rest!
Thou our Father, Christ our brother,
all who live in love are thine;
teach us how to love each other,
lift us to the joy divine.

PRAYER OF ADORATION, CONFESSION, AND THANKSGIVING

HYMN: There's a sweet, sweet spirit in this place (#160 VIP) Verse 1 & refrain

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CM7lym4u9QY>

1 THERE'S a sweet, sweet spirit in this place,
And I know that it's the spirit of the Lord;
there are sweet expressions on each face,
and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.

*Sweet Holy Spirit, sweet heavenly Dove,
stay right here with us, filling us with your love;
and for these blessings we lift our hearts in praise;
without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived
when we shall leave this place.*

NOTICES, including Birthdays and Wedding Anniversaries

JUNIOR CHURCH SHARING TIME: Sis Paula Gooden

COLLECT FOR THE SECOND LORD'S DAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: anoint us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen

MINISTRY OF THE WORD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: 1 Samuel 3: 1-10

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God**

THE EPISTLE: **1 Corinthians 6: 12 -20**

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord

Response: **Thanks be to God**

HYMN : Lord Speak to Me that I may Speak (#313 VIP) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3xuWXjnilDs>

1. Lord, speak to me, that I may speak

In living echoes of Thy tone;
As Thou has sought, so let me seek
Thy erring children lost and lone.

2. Oh, lead me, Lord, that I may lead

The wandering and the wavering feet;
Oh, feed me, Lord, that I may feed
Thy hungering ones with manna sweet.

3. Oh, strengthen me, that while I stand

Firm on the rock, and strong in Thee,

I may stretch out a loving hand
To wrestlers with the troubled sea.

4. Oh, teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things Thou dost impart;
And wing my words, that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

5. Oh, fill me with Thy fullness, Lord,
Until my very heart o'erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word,
Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.

6. Oh, use me, Lord, use even me,
Just as Thou wilt, and when, and where,
Until Thy blessed face I see,
Thy rest, Thy joy, Thy glory share.

THE GOSPEL: John 1:43-51

ALL: *Glory to you, O God*

Reader: This is the Gospel of Christ

Response: Praise be to Christ, Our Lord

MESSAGE: Preacher

RESPONSE – Master, speak, thy servant heareth (#317 VIP – VERSES 1,2 & 4)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=miWHJKLnh7Y>

1 MASTER, speak! Thy servant heareth,
Waiting for thy gracious word,
Longing for thy voice that cheereth;
Master, let it now be heard.
I am listening. Lord, for thee;
What hast thou to say to me?

2 Speak to me by name, O Master,
Let me know it is to me;
Speak, that I may follow faster,
With a step more firm and free,
Where the Shepherd leads the flock
In the shadow of the rock.

4 Master, speak: and make me ready,
When thy voice is truly heard,
With obedience glad and steady
Still to follow every word.
I am listening. Lord, for thee;
Master, speak! O speak to me! Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SONG: JESUS IS THE ANSWER FOR THE WORLD TODAY

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7uZJiHb2ENU>

Jesus is the answer for the world today
Above Him there's no other, Jesus is the way
Jesus is the answer for the world today
Above Him there's no other, Jesus is the way

If you have some questions
In the corners of your mind
And traces of discouragement
And peace you cannot find
Reflection of the old past
They seem to face you every day
There's one thing I know for sure
That Jesus is the way

I know you got mountains
That you think you cannot climb
I know that your skies have been dark
You think the sun won't shine
In case you don't know
(I'm here to tell you)
That the World of God is true, yeah
And everything that He's promised
I tell you He would do it for you
Let me tell you that

THE BENEDICTION