



MEETING AT CHRIST CULTURE CENTER
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About Providence Presbyterian Church

Providence Presbyterian Church is a congregation seeking to know God's sovereign mercy to His people. We are committed to glorifying God by preaching, teaching, and living out the Gospel of Jesus Christ in communion with one another and by making disciples for Christ. We invite candidates to apply who feel called to minister in the following ways:

Preaching and Teaching – A gifted expository preacher who communicates scriptural truth with confidence and clarity so that the Gospel of grace convicts and prepares us for the Lord's Supper, challenging us to apply those truths and to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ so that we live out our faith daily.

Worship and Liturgy – A man who carefully plans the worship service for the spiritual formation of adults and children, pairing music, creeds, scripture, and the sacraments in a cohesive manner.

Shepherding and Counseling – A humble shepherd who seeks to know the sheep and to be approachable by all, regardless of age or station, and who is available to walk with people through challenging or dark seasons.

Discipleship – A man who has a clear understanding of the philosophical and theological foundations of current issues, and the ability to equip the congregation, young and old, to respond with a Gospel driven biblical worldview, so that we can go forth and serve our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Kingdom Building – Has a heart for extending God’s Kingdom in Cumming, Georgia and the world.

Vision and Implementation – Has a vision for church life that engages the session, inspires the congregation, and strategically implements that vision in the church’s ministries.

Management and Leadership – Committed to working collaboratively with the session in leading the congregation in humility and grace. Proactive, detail oriented, structured and able to perform administrative tasks necessary for the daily working of the church.

Qualifications – Ordained or willing to become an ordained teaching elder in the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC). Meets standard set out in 1 Timothy 3, Titus 1 and the Book of Church Order of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. Master of Divinity from an accredited seminary. Demonstrates a love for Jesus and his Church through a lifelong passion for learning, personal spiritual development, discipleship, and prayer.

Our Mission

Our purpose is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever. In order for us to glorify God and enjoy Him as a local church, our mission is Christ's mission to us: To make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship God in spirit and in truth (Mt. 28:18-20; John 4:23,24).

In order to accomplish our mission, we are striving:

1. To conduct joyful corporate worship in accordance with the Word of God on the Lord's Day. (Rev. 5:9-14; Psalm 100; Jn. 4:23-24; Ex. 20:8-11)
2. To foster a culture of evangelism and outreach. (Ps. 96:2-3; Mt. 28:18-20; Acts 8:1-4; I Pet. 3:15)
3. To facilitate opportunities for Christian fellowship. (Acts 2:42; I Jn. 5:1-7)
4. To offer opportunities for Christian discipleship. (Mt. 28:18-20; Mt. 18; Eph. 4:11-16)
5. To engage in diaconal (mercy) ministry. (Acts 6; Isa. 58:6-7)

Our Beliefs

We affirm one living and true God who is triune.

The Bible is the inspired, inerrant, and authoritative word of God.

As a reformed church, we know we are sinners...

- SAVED BY GRACE ALONE
- THROUGH FAITH ALONE
- IN CHRIST ALONE
- ACCORDING TO THE BIBLE ALONE
- TO THE GLORY OF GOD ALONE!

Refer to the [Our Beliefs](#) section of our website (www.toglorifygod.org) for additional information.

Our Worship

Regarding our corporate worship services, our Savior says that God is seeking those who will worship Him 'in spirit and in truth' (Jn. 4:24.) In other words, it is our desire to worship God on the Lord's Day with hearts renewed by His Spirit and in the way that He has told us to worship Him (according to the truth, His word, the Bible).

We believe in expository preaching through Scripture in our services.

We practice a weekly observance of the Lord's Supper, which we believe most closely approximates the apostolic model for the church.

The praise in our worship service is God-centered and includes a reverent, but joyful use of hymns, psalms and spiritual songs accompanied with various musical instruments.

CHURCH MINISTRIES

Ladies

The Ladies' ministry at Providence exists to unite women in service to Christ, to the church, and to one another. We are blessed with many opportunities to grow and serve. The ladies regularly plan and execute church wide fellowship meals, mercy meals, and other activities throughout the year. Twice per month, the ladies meet for Bible studies and/or fellowships to foster deeper Biblical understanding and deeper relationships within the church body.

Men

The men of Providence gather to share life experiences, prayer requests as well as spend time in the Word or a good book every third week of the month. The evening includes developing friendships, sharing stories, or learning about the joys and challenges of the brotherhood. The men's gatherings are filled with opportunities to connect with other men for fun, fellowship, and discipleship!

Young Adults

College and career ages meet every Thursday evening for a time of Bible study, prayer, and fellowship. This is an encouraging time to learn together and sharpen one another in the faith.

Children & Youth

We place great importance on helping parents fulfill their covenantal obligations to rear their children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. We live in a culture where families and teens are challenged from every direction. Providence is dedicated to serving our youth by providing biblical teaching, training, and opportunities for service, accountability, and fellowship.

Nursery

While we encourage children's presence in worship services, we do provide for newborn children through age four during Sunday morning worship.

Sunday School

Sunday School meets after the worship service and fellowship time every Sunday morning. There is a churchwide brunch in the Fellowship Hall each first Sunday. Classes are offered for ages from two years to adult.

Communing & Communication

Providence Presbyterian Church is committed to regularly communicating with its members and encouraging discourse among our membership outside of formal church activities. Utilizing today's digital platforms, we share joys, prayer requests, needs, scriptural study, and sometimes funny life stories. This ongoing communication provides opportunities for us to grow closer together in fellowship and stay connected as a church family in our daily lives. In these ways we continue to lift each other in prayer throughout our days and provide shepherding and discipleship when and where people need it most.

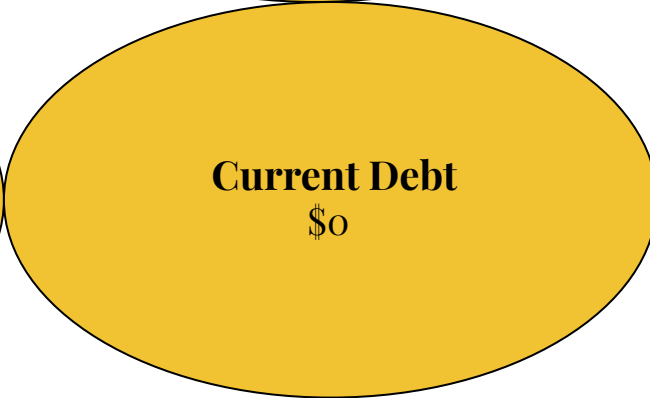
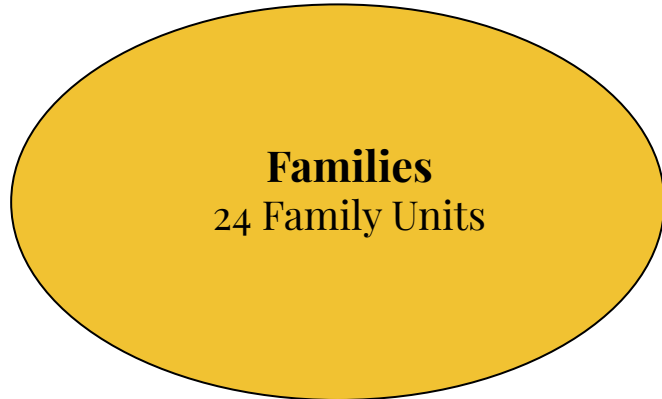
Home Shepherding Groups

Our Home Shepherding Groups are designed to help us encourage and challenge each other to consistently apply the truths of God's Word to every area of our lives. This Biblical accountability helps us to grow, both in our knowledge of God and in the godliness of our Christian walk. Each Elder group meets once Sunday evening per month in a church member's home. Meetings include prayer, fellowship, accountability, and a book or Bible study.

Music

The music ministry of Providence provides many opportunities to serve the Lord and provide fellowship through psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs incorporating reverent instrumentation.

CHURCH BY NUMBERS





Standing in the great biblical and evangelical tradition of the Protestant Reformation, Providence Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC). The OPC is committed to the Bible as the Word of God, the Reformed Faith, and the Great Commission of Jesus Christ. Believing in the necessity of both doctrinal reformation and personal revival, the OPC seeks to blend the knowledge of biblical truth with the practical living of the Christian life. The OPC is a vibrant witness to biblical Christianity.

Our History

The idea of Providence was planted in the minds and hearts of four men (Rhett Bergeron, Isaac Brown, Michael Harper & Jason Jacobs) by the Holy Spirit. These men first met together to discuss the prompting of the Holy Spirit formally at the home of Jason Jacobs in December of 2016. Their foundational pillars included 1) Elder servant leadership, 2) Active / Healthy Body Life, 3) Material Ministry Outreach, 4) Relevant Worship, 5) Partnering with local churches & 6) God's Word for All of life.

From that point forward, the men were committed to heed the call to build a new church in Cumming, GA and began meeting every other week in each other's home with their families to eat, pray, sing praises, fellowship and begin the work of building a church. Throughout 2017, these fellowships grew from four to nine families, and it became apparent that oversight and a pathway to particularization was needed.

In August 2017, nine families petitioned Covenant Presbyterian Church (Buford) to oversee the work, adopt them as a church plant, and assist / guide them to become a particularized OPC church in Cumming, GA. The Elders of Covenant agreed, and Providence began holding worship services in their homes with Pastor Chris Strelvel of Covenant preaching.

Our History continued

Our first official church plant service was held at the home of Jason Jacobs with 73 in attendance and Pastor Chris Strevel of our planting church preaching. The last home service was held in the home of Isaac Brown with 78 in attendance in November of 2017. From that point forward, the group began meeting in various facilities including Cumming Baptist Chapel, Otwell Middle School, Creative Enterprises, and finally Christ Culture Center.

In late 2018, the work called Pastor Kevin Medcalf as the organizing pastor of Providence. By the summer of 2020, Providence had become a particularized church of the OPC and had elected elders from within its own congregation.

The people of Providence have faithfully served the Lord since its inception, and the Lord has brought His increase. By God's Grace, Providence never had to rely on her mother church or charity to cover costs. She has been self-funding from the beginning, although she was awarded the Nieland Fund from the OPC General Assembly. The church is praying and saving for a permanent location and facility with full ownership.

Our Community

Cumming, GA is a family oriented community that prides itself on maintaining a small-town atmosphere while embracing and fostering a dynamic economic development environment. The Town's strategic central location, low tax rate, excellent school system, and unsurpassed quality of life continue to garnish national recognition.

The City of Cumming was first chartered by the State of Georgia in 1834, and in 1845 a second charter was issued designating the City of Cumming as a mayor and council form of government. Through the years, the City of Cumming has laid much of the groundwork for the Cumming-Forsyth County community to become what is today – one of the most popular places in the entire country to live and work.

In its early days, the city of Cumming was primarily agricultural, providing a respite for the many farming families of Forsyth County. In the late 1970s, Cumming leaders laid the foundation for Forsyth County to become one of the most popular and fastest-growing counties in the country when they secured the area's first water withdrawal contract with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. This decision to begin withdrawing water from Lake Lanier could be the single most important decision made in Forsyth County's history since.

As one of the fastest growing communities in the nation, Forsyth County has a large, diverse, and affluent population that is made up of approximately 260,000 people.

On the Horizon for Cumming, GA

Cumming Mayor Troy Brumbalow and the City Council have established the Cumming City Center near downtown Cumming that will feature shopping, dining and small venues for live entertainment. Mayor Brumbalow and the Council members hope the City Center will serve as a gathering spot for our community and visitors from surrounding counties, while helping to bring some of the small-town, Southern charm back to the city of Cumming. Mayor Brumbalow and Council also plan to increase the number of community events held by the city at the Cumming Fairgrounds. Among the new events that have been added since 2018 are Food Truck Fridays, Fridays at the Fairgrounds, a summer music festival series, an all-day July 4th celebration, and a new Cumming Christmas Parade through downtown ending with a Christmas Festival at the Fairgrounds.

We see this growth as an opportunity to engage the community with the gospel and to grow God's kingdom in the local community.