

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

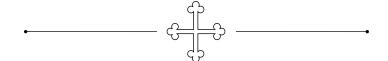
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

Psalm 19:14 ESV



To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
Who mourn and long for comfort;
Who struggle and desire hope;
Who sin and need a savior;
Who are strangers and yearn for fellowship;
Who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
And to whoever will come...

This church opens wide her doors and offers Welcome in the name of the risen Lord Jesus Christ



Upcoming Events

October

- 14th Communion; Sunday school/Christian Ed.Fellowship meal 5p; Evening video service 6p
- 17th Bible Study at Gustafson's 7p
- 21st Morning Worship; Sunday school/Christian Ed.Fellowship meal 5p; Evening video service 6p
- 27th Reformation Day Breakfast 9a at new location

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

- Our fellowship meal is now a 'pot luck' format. Each person or family that attends the fellowship meal needs to bring a main dish. Those families with 3 or more children need to bring a main dish and a side dish, or dessert or drink.
- We no longer have childcare for the evening service. Children need to sit with their parents during the video & discussion and are encouraged to participate as they are able.

See our online calendar at http://www.pcapalmdesert.org/calendar.html

Serving in the Church

Snacks

- October
 - -14th Sutherland & Weed
 - -21st White & Mattox
 - -28th Jasperse &

Nursery

- October
 - -14th Karen O. & Vivien W.
 - -21st Adriana M. & Brianna B.
 - 28th Kari S. & Lizzy W.

Greeters

- October
 - -14th Russ O. & Kristi W.
 - -21st Jesse B.

Ushers

- October
 - -14th Calvin W. & Jayson B.
 - -21st Joshua W. &

Family Worship Guide

Daily Bible Readings		
Sunday, October 14: Isa 46-48;	Psalm 97;	Acts 21
Monday, October 15: Isa 49-51;	Psalm 98;	Acts 22
Tuesday, October 16: Isa 52-55;	Psalm 99;	Acts 23
Wednesday, October 17: Isa 56-58;	Psalm 100;	Acts 24-25
Thursday, October 18: Isa 59-62;	Psalm 101;	Acts 26
Friday, October 19: Isa 63-66;	Psalm 102;	Acts 27
Saturday, October 20: Jer 1;	Psalm 103;	Acts 28

<u>Prayer</u>

Sunday, Pray for the parents & pregnant mothers in our congregation.

Monday, Pray for our sister church, Redeemer Presbyterian Church, in Newport.

Tuesday, Pray for our missionaries as they proclaim the gospel around the world.

Wednesday, Pray for those who are sick that God would bring them healing.

Thursday, Pray for our troops, especially those who are apart from their families.

Friday, Pray that God would smooth the way for our new facility.

Saturday, Pray for the pastor and elders and deacon of PPC, and for Sunday's worship service.

Receiving the Lord's Supper

Westminster Larger Catechism

Question 174: What is required of them that receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper in the time of the administration of it?

Answer: It is required of them that receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, that, during the time of the administration of it, with all holy reverence and attention they wait upon God in that ordinance, diligently observe the sacramental elements and actions, heedfully discern the Lord's body, and affectionately meditate on his death and sufferings, and thereby stir up themselves to a vigorous exercise of their graces; in judging themselves, and sorrowing for sin; in earnest hungering and thirsting after Christ, feeding on him by faith, receiving of his fulness, trusting in his merits, rejoicing in his love, giving thanks for his grace; in renewing of their covenant with God, and love to all the saints.

Preparation for Worship

About the Lord's Supper

At Providence Presbyterian Church, we celebrate the Lord's Supper (what some churches call the "Eucharist" or "Holy Communion") on the 2^{nd} and 4^{th} Sundays of the month. The Ruling Elders of our church assist in the distribution of the elements of the Supper as a visible manifestation of their pastoral care of the flock.

The biblical teaching on the nature of the sacraments my be epitomized as follows: God's sacraments or covenant signs/seals are 'visible words' (Augustine). In them we see with our eyes the promise of God. Indeed, in the sacraments we see, smell, touch and taste the word. In the public reading and preaching of Scripture, God addresses our mind and conscience through the hearing. In the sacraments, He uniquely addresses our mind and conscience through the other senses. In, through and to the senses, God's promise is made tangible. A sacrament is a covenant sign and seal, which means it reminds us and assures us of a promise. That is, it points to and confirms a gracious promise of God to His people. Hence, the weakness, the frailty of human faith welcomes this gracious act of reassurance. The sacraments are by nature supplemental to and confirmatory of the promises held out in the word, and the grace conveyed by them is the same grace held out via the means of preaching. The sacraments are efficacious for the elect and the elect only, since their benefits are sanctificational (that is, the Lord's Supper doesn't 'save' us, it grows us) and received by faith. In the Lord's Supper, the Christian, by faith, experiences true communion with Christ and all His benefits.

One of the devices of Satan is to persuade the soul that repentance is an easy work...Repentance is a flower that does not grow in nature's garden...It changes the heart from the power of sin unto God.

Thomas Brooks (1608-1680)

Notes on Worship

• CALL TO WORSHIP: The call to worship beckons us to come before God and worship Him. Though we have already heard God's greeting and blessing, the call to worship marks the beginning of the worship service. It is with this call that we are ushered into the royal court of heaven, and bow before the throne of grace. It sets apart the worship service as a time to be taken up wholly with the worship of the thriceholy, triune God.

The Public Worship of God

October 14, 2012; 9:30am

Prayer for Illumination

* Greeting

Leader: In the Name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit;

Congregation: Amen!

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected, Congregation: Has become the cornerstone.

Leader: This is the Lord's doing;

Congregation: It is marvelous in our eyes! Amen!

* Blessing

* Call to Worship

Psalm 95 (Trinity Hymnal p. 819)

Reception of New Members & Sacrament of Baptism

Mattox family -- Baptisms of Ricardo and Bradley Mattox

* Song of Adoration

Hymn 53 -- Praise To The Lord

* Reading of the Law

Exodus 20:1-17

Ten Commandments

Summary of the Law

Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 42. What is the sum of the ten commandments?

A. The sum of the ten commandments is, to love the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our strength, and with all our mind; and our neighbor as ourselves.

Corporate Confession of Sin

Leader: O Lord, we miserable sinners come before you and acknowledge our guilt. We rightly fall under Your curse and judgment.

People: We confess that we have neglected and abused your holy worship, your holy name, and your holy day. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors, not loving them as ourselves.

Leader: O Lord, have compassion on us in our infirmities. Be pleased to have compassion on us for the sake of Your Son.

All: Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins, to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

<u>Assurance of Forgiveness</u>

Ephesians 2:8,9

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.

Congregational Response

Hymn 193 -- Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed (Trinity Hymnal p. 846)

Tithes and Offerings

If you are visiting with us, please do not feel obligated to give. Our church depends upon the generous gifts of those who partner with us in seeking to pursue Christ in their lives.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

* Doxology (Trinity Hymnal 731)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

* Lord's Prayer

* Reading of Scripture

1 Corinthians 1:1-9 -- The Apostle's salutation.

Psalm of the Month

Psalm 107 -- (bulletin)

Children ages five and under may be dismissed to the nursery.

Pastoral Prayer

Proclamation of the Word

Luke 9:46-48 -- True Greatness -- Pastor Clayton Willis

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 131 -- Children Of The Heavenly Father

* Benediction

* Congregational Amens



* Please stand if you are able



Sermon Notes

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^{*} child is this age by Sept. 1

Relocation Fund		
Goal	\$75,000	
Total Given	\$18,033.31	
Ammt. Remaining	\$56,966.69	
This fund is made up of gifts specifically designated for this		



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Worship at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at 11:00 a.m. Brandman University (Corner of Cook and Merle)