

PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

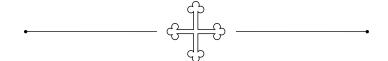
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

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

January

6thCommunion/ Sunday School / Christian Ed. Potluck 5p / Evening video service 6p

9th Bible study 7p at Gustafson's

13thWorship / Sunday School / Christian Ed. Evening video service 6p

16th Bible study 7p at Gustafson's

 20^{th} Communion/Congregational Meeting Evening video service 6p

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

Serving in the Church

Snacks

- January
 - 6th
 - 13th Harrelson;
 - 20th
 - 27th

Nursery

- January
 - 6th Michelle M. & Ali W.
 - 13th Karen O. & Vivian W.
 - -20th Adriana M. & Brianna B.
 - -27th Kari S. & Lizzy W.

Greeters

- January
 - 6th Jesse B.
 - 13th Russ O. & Kristi W.
 - 20th Jesse B.
 - 27th Virginia S. & Mary C.

Ushers

- January
 - 6th Jayson B. & Calvin W.

 - 13th Joshua W. 20th Calvin W. & Jayson B.
 - 27th Joshua W.

Family Worship Guide

Daily Bible Readings			
Sunday, January 6:	Genesis 11-12;	Psalm 6;	Matthew 8
Monday, January 7:	Genesis 13-15;	Psalm 7;	Matthew 9
Tuesday, January 8:	Genesis 16-17;	Psalm 8;	Matthew 10
Wednesday, January 9:	Genesis 18-19;	Psalm 9;	Matthew 11
Thursday, January 10:	Genesis 20-21;	Psalm 10;	Matthew 12
Friday, January 11:	Genesis 22-23;	Psalm 11;	Matthew 13
Saturday, January 12:	Genesis 24;	Psalm 12;	Matthew 14

Prayer

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

Monday, Pray for our sister church, New Life Presbyterian Church, in Fallbrook.

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, Praise God that we are in 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 1st and 3rd 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.

A hypocrite is able to do good, but he has no delight in the duty. He does God's will against his own. Alas! How long it is sometimes before we can get leave of our hearts to obey! Christ went more readily to the cross than we do to the throne of grace.

~Thomas Watson (1620-1686)

Notes on Worship

• **PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD:** God's Word is proclaimed by His minister to His people. It is in the proclamation of the Word that God speaks most clearly to His people--convicting them of sin, assuring them of forgiveness in Christ, strengthening their faith, teaching them how to live obediently, conforming them to the image of Christ. This is the gospel proclaimed to a fallen world, promising restoration and reconciliation in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

The Public Worship of God

January 6, 2013; 9:30am

Prayer for Illumination

* Greeting

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

Congregation: Amen!

Leader: Send out Your light and Your truth;

Congregation: let them lead us;

Leader: let them bring us to Your holy hill Congregation: and to Your dwelling! Amen!

* Blessing

* Call to Worship

Psalm 106 (Trinity Hymnal p. 823)

* Song of Adoration

Hymn 2 -- O Worship The King

* 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: Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have offended against Your holy laws.

People: We confess that we have not loved You with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

Leader: Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone.

All: Restore to us the joy of Your salvation; Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us until it has wrought in us Your holy will. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

Congregational Response

Hymn 455 -- And Can It Be That I Should Gain?

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 11 -- The Apostle Paul addresses first the issue of head coverings for women (verses 1-16), and then decorum in the administration of the Lord's Supper (verses 16-33).

Psalm of the Month

Psalm 98 -- (bulletin)

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

Pastoral Prayer

<u>Proclamation of the Word</u>

Luke 11:1-4 -- Teach us to pray -- Pastor Clayton Willis

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 642 -- Be Thou My Vision

* Benediction

* Congregational Amens



* Please stand if you are able



Sermon Notes

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Worship at 9:30 a.m. Sunday School at 11:00 a.m.

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