

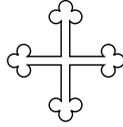


PROVIDENCE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
(PCA)

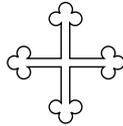
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in
your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

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

- **December**

27	Morning Worship
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- **January 2016**

3	Communion
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6	Bible Study 7p
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7	POW (Prayers of Women) 6:30p at Keith's
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10	Morning Worship SS / CE Evening Service
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See our calendar online at www.pcapalmdesert.org/calendar

Serving in the Church

- **December / January**

Usher		Greeters		Coffee / Snack Setup	
27	Patrick B. Brad B.	27	Alice M. Kathi C.	27	
3	Brian G. Joshua W.	3	deHaas	3	
Snack		Sound		Coffee / Snack Cleanup	
27		27	Ricardo M.	27	
3		3	Calvin W.	3	

Family Worship Guide

Daily Bible Readings (chronological)

Sunday, Dec 27: 2/3 John
Monday, Dec 28: Rev 1-5
Tuesday, Dec 29: Rev 6-11
Wednesday, Dec 30: Rev 12-18
Thursday, Dec 31: Rev 19-22
Friday, Jan 1: Romans 1-2
Saturday, Jan 2: Genesis 1-3

Daily Bible Readings (2 Year)

Dec 27: Zech 14; Jn 17
Dec 28: Mal 1; Jn 18
Dec 29: Mal 2; Jn 19
Dec 30: Mal 3; Jn 20
Dec 31: Mal 4; Jn 21
Jan 1: Gen 1; Matt 1
Jan 2: Gen 2; Matt 2

Prayer

Sunday, Pray for our missionaries as they proclaim the gospel.
Monday, Pray for our sister church, New Life Presbyterian Church, in Escondido.
Tuesday, Pray for the parents & children in our congregation.
Wednesday, Pray for those who are sick that God would bring them healing.
Thursday, Pray that God would strengthen and protect persecuted Christians.
Friday, Pray for our troops, especially those who are apart from their families.
Saturday, Pray for the pastor and elders and deacons of PPC, and for Sunday's worship service.

Preparing to Receive the Lord's Supper

WLC Question 171: How are they that receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to prepare themselves before they come unto it?

Answer: They that receive the sacrament of the Lord's Supper are, before they come, to prepare themselves thereunto, by examining themselves of their being in Christ, of their sins and wants; of the truth and measure of their knowledge, faith, repentance; love to God and the brethren, charity to all men, forgiving those that have done them wrong; of their desires after Christ, and of their new obedience; and by renewing the exercise of these graces, by serious meditation, and fervent prayer.

WLC Question 172: May one who doubts of his being in Christ, or of his due preparation, come to the Lord's Supper?

Answer: One who doubts of his being in Christ, or of his due preparation to the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, may have true interest in Christ, though he be not yet assured thereof; and in God's account has it, if he be duly affected with the apprehension of the want of it, and unfeignedly desires to be found in Christ, and to depart from iniquity: in which case (because promises are made, and this sacrament is appointed, for the relief even of weak and doubting Christians) he is to bewail his unbelief, and labor to have his doubts resolved; and, so doing, he may and ought to come to the Lord's Supper, that he may be further strengthened.

Preparation for Worship

Devotional Prayer

GRACIOUS GOD,

You are love—in love receive my prayer.

My sins are more than the ocean's sand, but where sin abounds, there is grace more abundant. Look to the cross of your beloved Son, and view his precious, atoning blood; listen to his never-failing intercession, and whisper to my heart, "Your sins are forgiven; be of good cheer; lie down in peace." Your grace cascades from heaven and flows forever, and your mercy never tires of bestowing benefits.

Grant that I may more and more prize the privilege of prayer. Let me, a sin-stained sinner, come to you, find pardon in you, converse with you. Let me know you in prayer as the path in which my feet tread, the guard at the door of my lips, the light that shines through my eyes, the music of my ears, the essence of my understanding, the strength of my will, the power of my affection, and the sweetness of my memory.

May my prayers always be wise, humble, submissive, obedient, scriptural, and Christ-like. Give me unwavering faith that my prayers are never in vain and that if I seem not to obtain my petitions now, I will have larger, richer answers in the future, surpassing all that I can ask or think.

Unsought, you have given me the greatest gift of all, the person of your Son, and in him you will give me all that I need.

Adapted from *The Valley of Vision*

As sinful commissions will stab the soul, so sinful omissions will starve the soul.

~Thomas Brooks
(1608-1680)

Notes on Worship

BENEDICTION: The benediction is the blessing of God upon His people as they go once more into the world, equipped by the gospel to live as children of God, prepared to be salt and light in this present evil age.

The Public Worship of God

December 27, 2015; 9:30am

Prayer for Illumination

* Greeting

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

People: Amen!

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates!

People: Lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of Glory may come in.

Leader: Who is this King of Glory?

People: The Lord of hosts, He is the King of Glory! Amen!

* Blessing

* Call to Worship

Psalm 125 (Trinity Hymnal p. 832)

* Song of Adoration

Hymn 53 — Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

* Reading of the Law

Exodus 20:14

Seventh Commandment

All: 'You shall not commit adultery.'

Exposition of the Law

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q & A #71 & 72. Trinity Hymnal p.874

Corporate Confession of Sin

*Leader: Eternal God and merciful Father, we humble ourselves before
Your great Majesty against which we have frequently and
grievously sinned.*

**People: We confess that we have been unchaste; we acknowledge all
our sins of the flesh and all the excess and extravagance of our
whole lives in eating, drinking, clothing and other things, and
our intemperance in our thinking, seeing, hearing and
speaking.**

*Leader: O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all in
which we have displeased You.*

**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!**

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Congregational Response

Hymn 252 — When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed (Trinity Hymnal p. 845)

Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Stewardship

* Gloria Patri (*Trinity Hymnal 735*)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

* Lord's Prayer

* Reading of Scripture

Proverbs 17 — The way of wisdom is identified not so much by commands but observations of the way things work in God's world.

Psalm of the Month

Psalm 22 -- (bulletin)

We encourage children to stay in the worship service; however we provide a cry room for children ages five and under if needed.

Pastoral Prayer

Proclamation of the Word

Hebrews 10:19-25 — *God's Gifts for Faithful Living* —

Pastor Clayton Willis

* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 642 — Be Thou My Vision

* Benediction

* Congregational Amens (*Trinity Hymnal 740*)



* Please stand if you are able

Psalm 22



12. ²⁷ All ends of earth will turn to Him; The LORD they
13. ²⁹ All those who prosper in the earth Will eat and
14. ³⁰ A seed will rise to do His will, And of the



will a - gain re - call. The na - tions' fam - 'lies all will come,
low be - fore Him bend; And in His pres - ence all will bow,
Lord be made a - ware. ³¹ The gen - er - a - tion that will come



To wor - ship and be - fore Him fall, ²⁸ Be - cause the
Who help - less to the dust de - scend, Who e - ven
Will then His righ - teous - ness de - clare To peo - ple



LORD the king - dom owns And rules a - bove all earth - ly thrones.
though they vain - ly strive, Can nev - er keep their souls a - live.
who are yet to be, That He has done this; it was He.



Sermon Notes

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* child is this age by Sept. 1

PPC Giving: November	
Giving	\$15,152.21
Expenses	\$12,727.04
Budget goal	\$14,000



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