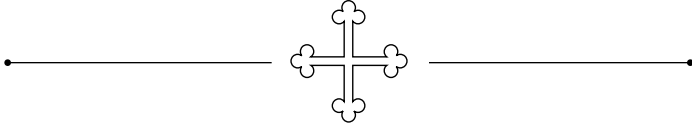


PROVIDENCE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
(PCA)

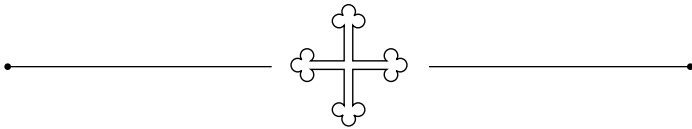
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in
your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

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

• April	
12	Morning worship Sunday school / CE Evening service 5p
15	Bible Study 7p
19	Communion Sunday school / CE Evening service 5p Officer training 5p
22	Bible Study 7p
26	Morning worship Sunday school / CE Evening service 5p
See our calendar online at www.pcapalmdesert.org/calendar	

Serving in the Church

• April						
	Usher			Greeters		Nursery
12	Derek W. Bradley M.		12	Dunn		12 Jenny J. Brianna B.
19	Aaron C. Ricardo M.		19	Ricketts		19 Haley B. Lizzy W.
	Snack			Sound		
12			12	Ricardo M.		
19	Miller		19	Calvin W.		

Family Worship Guide

Daily Bible Readings (chronological)

Sunday, Apr 12: 1Sam 15-17
Monday, Apr 13: 1Sam 18-20; Ps 11/59
Tuesday, Apr 14: 1Sam 21-24
Wednesday, Apr 15: Ps 7/27/31/34/52
Thursday, Apr 16: Ps 56/120/140-142
Friday, Apr 17: 1Sam 25-27
Saturday, Apr 18: Ps 17/35/54/63

Daily Bible Readings (2 Year)

Apr 12: Prov 30; 1 Tim 1
Apr 13: Prov 31; 1 Tim 2
Apr 14: Eccl 1; 1 Tim 3
Apr 15: Eccl 2; 1 Tim 4
Apr 16: Eccl 3; 1 Tim 5
Apr 17: Eccl 4; 1 Tim 6
Apr 18: Eccl 5; 2 Tim 1

Prayer

Sunday, Pray for our missionaries as they proclaim the gospel.
Monday, Pray for our sister church, Christ Presbyterian Church, in Temecula.
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 deacon 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

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 may 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 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.

The grace of God does not find men fit for salvation, but makes them so.

~Augustine
(354-430)

Notes on Worship

- **PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP** Because in worship we are called before God Almighty, we ought to prepare ourselves accordingly. We dare not come before the thrice-holy God without taking the time to remember our sinfulness, and the forgiveness we have by grace through faith in Jesus Christ. We use this time of preparation to quiet our hearts before entering into worship, to remind ourselves of who we are called to worship, and to be diligent in attending to the different aspects of the worship service.

The Public Worship of God

April 12, 2015; 9:30am

Prayer for Illumination

* Greeting

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

People: Amen!

Leader: May God be gracious to us and bless us;

Congregation: And make His face to shine upon us,

Leader: That Your way may be known on earth,

Congregation: Your saving power among all nations! Amen!

* Blessing

* Call to Worship

Psalm 90 (Trinity Hymnal p. 816)

* Song of Adoration

Hymn 30 -- Our God Our Help in Ages Past

* 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 100 -- Holy, Holy, Holy

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

Revelation 5 --The revelation of the slain Lamb who is worthy to open the scroll/book, break its seven seals, unfolding the plan and purposes of God recorded in chapters 6–22.

Psalm of the Month

Psalm 61 -- (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

Psalm 103 — Called to Worship — Mr. Silverio Gonzalez

* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 55 -- To God be the Glory

* Benediction

* Congregational Amens (*Trinity Hymnal 740*)



* Please stand if you are able

Psalm 61

1. ¹ O God, hear my cry, give heed to my prayer.
 2. ³ For You've al - ways been a ref - uge for me,
 3. ⁵ For, God, You have heard the vows that I made;
 4. ⁷ Be - fore God he'll sit, en - throned he'll en - dure;

² From earth's far - thest end I call to You there,
 A tow - er of strength from each en - e - my.
 I'm heir now with all those fear - ing Your name.
 Give Your love and truth to make him se - cure.

When my heart grows faint, it is then that I cry;
⁴ O let me for - ev - er in Your tent a - bide,
⁶ The king's life You'll length - en, pro - long - ing his days;
⁸ So I will for - ev - er to Your name sing praise,

Lead me to the rock that is high - er than I.
 And un - der Your shel - ter - ing wings let me hide.
 His years will be ma - ny from age un - to age.
 That I may my vows pay through - out all my days.

Sermon Notes

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* child is this age by Sept. 1

PPC Giving: February	
Giving	\$12,833.51
Expenses	\$13,471.77
Budget goal	\$14,000



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