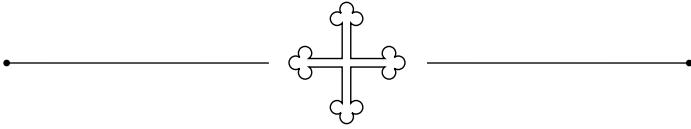


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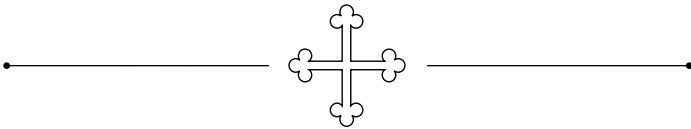
*Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be
acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.*

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

24	Morning Worship Sunday school / CE Evening service 5p
25	POW (Prayers of Women) 6:30p at Keith's
27	Prayer meeting 7p at Willis'

• May

1	Communion Sunday school / CE Evening service 5p
2	POW (Prayers of Women) 6:30p at Keith's
4	Bible study 7p at Willis'

See our calendar online at www.pcapalmdesert.org/calendar

SERVING IN THE CHURCH

• April / May			
	Usher		Greeters
24	Patrick B.	24	Alice M. Kathi C.
1	Brian G. Joshua W.	1	
	Snack		Sound
24	Willis	24	Haley B.
1	Miller	1	Ricardo M.

FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

Daily Bible Readings (1 Year)

<i>Sunday</i>	Apr. 24: II Samuel 1-4
<i>Monday</i>	Apr. 25: Psalms 48-50
<i>Tuesday</i>	Apr. 26: Job 33-34
<i>Wednesday</i>	Apr. 27: Jeremiah 22-26
<i>Thursday</i>	Apr. 28: Mark 13-14
<i>Friday</i>	Apr. 29: II Corinthians 4-5
<i>Saturday</i>	Apr. 30: Exodus 17-20

Daily Bible Readings (2 Year)

Apr. 24 Nu 1; Ps 35
Apr. 25 Nu 2; Ps 36
Apr. 26 Nu 3; Ps 37
Apr. 27 Nu 4; Ps 38
Apr. 28 Nu 5; Ps 39
Apr. 29 Nu 6; Ps 40-41
Apr. 30 Nu 7; Ps 42-43

Prayer

<i>Sunday</i>	Pray for our missionaries as they proclaim the gospel.
<i>Monday</i>	Pray for our sister church, New Life Presbyterian, in La Mesa.
<i>Tuesday</i>	Pray for the parents & children in our congregation.
<i>Wednesday</i>	Pray for those who are sick that God would bring them healing.
<i>Thursday</i>	Pray that God would strengthen and protect persecuted Christians.
<i>Friday</i>	Pray for our troops, especially those who are apart from their families.
<i>Saturday</i>	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

O MOVER OF ALL,

Enable me always

to be submissive to you,

to be dependent on you,

to be found in the path where you walk and where your Spirit moves,

to be fearful of turning away from you,

to be vigilant against any insensitivity to your love.

You move men not as lifeless stones, but as living beings. You give life to all, not so they can move apart from you, but so they might move in submission to you.

O Lord, I am astonished at the difference

between what I receive and what I deserve,

between my present blessedness and my past gracelessness, between the heaven that awaits me and the hell that I merit.

Who made this difference but you? I was no more ready to receive Christ than were others—I could not have begun to love you if you had not first loved me, for I would not even have been willing to love you unless you first made me so.

How amazing that such a crown should fit the head of such a sinner! What high honor for such an unfruitful wretch! What joy for so vile a rebel!

In infinite wisdom you designed salvation to be purchase and freedom. Let “Wrath Deserved” be written on the door of hell but “The Free Gift of Grace” on the gate of heaven.

So much of my suffering results from my own sin, but I rejoice that in heaven both sin and suffering will cease. Grant that when I’m done with the world’s sailing, I will arrive at your safe harbor, steered there by the winds of your mercy.

Let your love draw me nearer to you, wean me from sin, mortify me to this world, and make me ready for my departure from it.

Lord, secure me by your grace as I sail across these stormy seas.

Adapted from The Valley of Vision

What the heart is to the body, that the soul is to the man; and what health is to the heart, that holiness is to the soul.

~John Flavel (1627-1691)

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

April 24, 2016; 9:30am

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

* GREETING

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

People: Amen!

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD

People: for He is good!

Leader: His love endures forever!

People: Amen!

* BLESSING

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 145 (Trinity Hymnal p. 838)

* SONG OF ADORATION

Hymn 6 -- O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord

* READING OF THE LAW

Exodus 20:13 Sixth Commandment

All: You shall not murder.

EXPOSITION OF THE LAW

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A #68, 69 (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 not respected life, but have murdered in our hearts, venting our anger against our neighbors whom we are to love.

Leader: O Lord, we know that Your mercy is infinite toward those who turn to You, and so we take courage to call upon You, trusting in our Mediator Jesus Christ.

All: Wash us in His blood, cover us with His innocence and righteousness, for the glory of Your Name.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Hymn 461 -- Not What My Hands Have Done

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Dan & Chris Combs; John Carron; Roween Rose

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

Ecclesiastes 3 -- There is an appropriate time for every human activity (vv. 1-8); the priority of eating and drinking and enjoying one's work even in light of eternity and the unknown (vv. 9-22).

PSALM OF THE MONTH

Psalms 7 -- (bulletin)

PASTORAL PRAYER

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Acts 6:8 - 8:1 -- Stephen's Sermon -- Pastor Clayton Willis

* SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Hymn 508 -- Jesus, Lover of My Soul

* BENEDICTION

* CONGREGATIONAL AMENS (Trinity Hymnal 740)



* *Please stand if you are able*

Psalm 7

1. ¹ O LORD, my God, I take re - fuge in You;
 2. ³ O LORD my God, if my hands were un - just,
 3. ⁶ LORD, rise in an - ger, and be my de - fense

O save me from all those who have pur - sued.
⁴ Harm - ing my foes or my friends in their trust,
 A - gainst my en - e - my's rage so in - tense;

² Lest they should tear me like li - ons with prey;
⁵ Let my pur - su - er come near and sur - round,
 Rise, bring the judg - ment that You have de - creed.

With none to res - cue, they'd drag me a - way.
 Tramp - ling my life in the dust of the ground.
⁷ Let peo - ples come and with You gath - ered be.

4. Come back to rule over them from on high. 5. ⁹ O let the evil of wicked men cease,
⁸ The LORD will judge as the nations draw nigh. And all the righteous establish in peace;
 My cause is right, LORD, O vindicate me; God who is righteous examines and finds
 Judge me as You my integrity see. All of the depths of men's hearts and their minds.

Sermon Notes

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

Sermon Notes

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* child is this age by Sept. 1

PPC Giving 2016

	March	YTD	Monthly Budget	YTD v Budget
Giving	\$12,989.45	\$38,157.84	\$12,450.00	807.84
Expenses	\$13,847.54	\$41,474.19	\$13,405.00	\$1,646.19
Net	-\$858.09	-\$3,316.35		-\$838.35



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