

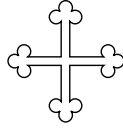


PROVIDENCE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
(PCA)

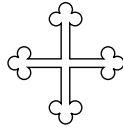
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in
your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

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

• August

- 4th Communion
- 11th Morning worship
- 18th Communion
- 25th Morning worship

See our online calendar at

<http://www.pcapalmdesert.org/calendar.html>

Serving in the Church

Snacks

- August
 - 4th White &
 - 11th White & Willis
 - 18th White &

Nursery

- August
 - 4th Michelle M. & Ali M.
 - 11th Adriana M. & Brianna B.
 - 18th Kari S. & Lizzy W.

Greeters

- August
 - 4th
 - 11th
 - 18th

Ushers

- August
 - 4th
 - 11th
 - 18th

Family Worship Guide

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday, August 4: Ezra 6-7;	Psalm 31;	Mark 10
Monday, August 5: Ezra 8-10;	Psalm 32;	Mark 11
Tuesday, August 6: Neh 1;	Psalm 33;	Mark 12
Wednesday, August 7: Neh 2-3;	Psalm 34;	Mark 13
Thursday, August 8: Neh 4-6;	Psalm 35;	Mark 14
Friday, August 9: Neh 7;	Psalm 36;	Mark 15
Saturday, August 10: Neh 8-9;	Psalm 37:1-22;	Mark 16

Prayer

- Sunday, Pray for the parents in our congregation.
- Monday, Pray for our sister church, Grace Presbyterian, in Fallbrook, CA.
- 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 raise up elders and deacons in the congregation.
- 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 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 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.

The inbred light of nature yet remaining in us may give us direction as to moral good and evil, but this light must be subordinate to the Word and is not the final rule of gospel holiness. The law grace writes in our hearts must answer to the law written in God's Word.

~John Owen
(1616-1683)

Notes on Worship

- **EXPOSITION OF THE LAW:** After hearing the Law read from God's word, we have it further explained to us from the Westminster Shorter Catechism, stating clearly what is required and what is forbidden in the life of the Christian. This is designed to help us understand our sinfulness, as we reflect on how we have broken and transgressed God's perfect law, as well as help us understand just how incredible our Savior is as He kept all aspects of the Law perfectly.

The Public Worship of God

August 4, 2013; 9:30am

Prayer for Illumination

* Greeting

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

People: Amen!

Leader: Sing to the LORD,

People: Praise His name;

Leader: Proclaim His salvation day after day!

People: Amen!

* Blessing

* Call to Worship

Psalm 136 (Trinity Hymnal p. 835)

* Song of Adoration

Hymn 6 -- O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou 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.

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 486 -- God, Be Merciful To Me

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

Ephesians 1:1-14 -- Salutation (verses 1,2) and an extended prayer of praise for redemption, a single long sentence in Greek (verses 3-14).

Psalm of the Month

Psalm 9 -- (bulletin)

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

Pastoral Prayer

Proclamation of the Word

Ruth 4:1-13 -- *The Redeemer Acts* -- *Pastor Clayton Willis*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 705 -- I Know Whom I Have Believed

* Benediction

* Congregational Amens



* Please stand if you are able

Psalm 9

6. ¹¹ Sing praise to the LORD, who in Zi - on does dwell;
 7. ¹³ LORD, see what I suf - fer from mal - ice and hate;
 8. ¹⁵ The na - tions are sunk in the pit they pre - pared;

A - mong all the peo - ples His great do - ings tell.
 Have mer - cy! O lift me a - way from death's gate;
 Their foot in the net that they hid is en - snared.

¹² When blood He a - ven - ges, His mem - 'ry is clear;
¹⁴ In gates of the daugh - ter of Zi - on I'll praise,
¹⁶ The LORD by His judg - ment has made Him - self known;

The cry of the poor nev - er fades from His ear.
 Re - joic - ing in Your might - y pow - er to save.
 He catch - es the wick - ed in snares of their own.

9. ¹⁷ The wicked to death's realm of darkness are brought;
 All nations who would not keep God in their thoughts.
¹⁸ Forgotten no longer the cause of the weak,
 Nor perished forever the hope of the meek!
10. ¹⁹ Arise, LORD, that man may not make himself strong;
 Let nations be judged in Your presence for wrong.
²⁰ O LORD, put Your fear and Your terror in them;
 Let nations know truly that they are mere men.

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