

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

• February

2nd Communion

CE/SS

Potluck (after CE/SS) Evening video service 5p

5th Bible Study 7p

9th Morning worship

CE/SS

Evening video service 5p

12th Bible Study 7p

16th Communion

CE/SS

Evening video service 5p

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

Serving in the Church

Snacks

- February
 - 2nd deHaas & Willis

Nursery

- February
 - -2nd Jennifer C., Haley B., Lizzy W.
 - -9th Kari S. & Brianna B.
 - -16th Adriana M., Aubrey B., Claudia C.
 - -23rd Michelle M. & Ali W.

Greeters

- February
 - 2nd

Ushers

- February
 - 2nd Jayson B., Joshua W.

Family Worship Guide

Daily Bible Readings (chronological)

Sunday, Feb 2: Exodus 10-12

Monday, Feb 3: Exodus 13-15

Tuesday, Feb 4: Exodus 16-18

Wednesday, Feb 5: Exodus 19-21

Thursday, Feb 6: Exodus 22-24

Friday, Feb 7: Exodus 25-27

Saturday, Feb 8: Exodus 28-29

Prayer

Sunday, Pray for the parents in our congregation.

Monday, Pray for our sister church, Ramona Valley Presbyterian Church.

Tuesday, Pray for our Missionaries as they proclaim the gospel.

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 equip and protect the elders and deacons.

Saturday, Pray for the pastor and elders and deacons 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.

When we grow careless of keeping our souls, then God recovers our taste of good things again by sharp crosses.

~Richard Sibbes (1577–1635)

Notes on Worship

Psalm of the Month: The Psalm of the Month has a three-fold purpose: first, it allows us to together worship God in song using His inerrant, infallible, inspired songbook. Second, it unites us to our forbearers in the faith as we sing the same songs of praise that God's church sang centuries ago. And third, it helps us store-up scripture in our hearts and minds as we sing God's word to Him.

The Public Worship of God

February 2, 2014; 9:30am

Prayer for Illumination

* Greeting

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

People: Amen!

Leader: Praise God in His sanctuary

People: Praise Him in His mighty heavens! *Leader: Praise Him for His mighty deeds;*

People: Praise Him according to His excellent greatness. Amen!

* Blessing

* Call to Worship

Psalm 16 (Trinity Hymnal p. 788)

* Song of Adoration

Hymn 21 -- Sing Praise To 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: 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.

<u>Assurance of Forgiveness</u>

Romans 6:23

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

Congregational Response

Hymn 254 — Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed

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

2 Thessalonians 2 -- The revelation of the "man of lawlessness."

Psalm of the Month

Psalm 61 -- (bulletin)

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

Pastoral Prayer

Proclamation of the Word

Luke 15:1-10 -- Found! -- Pastor Clayton Willis

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 460 -- Amazing Grace!

- * Benediction
- * Congregational Amens (Trinity Hymnal 740)



* Please stand if you are able



Sermon Notes

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PPC Giving: December	
Giving	\$8,753.56
Expenses	\$13,976.72
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^{*} child is this age by Sept. 1



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

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