

# 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**

#### • March

9<sup>th</sup> Morning worship CE/SS Evening video service 5p

12th Bible study 7p

16<sup>th</sup> Communion (Brink) CE/SS Evening video service 5p

19<sup>th</sup> Bible study 7p

23<sup>rd</sup> Morning worship CE/SS Evening video service 5p

26th Prayer meeting 7p

# Serving in the Church

#### • March

	Usher		Greeters		Nursery
$9^{\text{th}}$	Derek W. Bradley M.	$9^{\mathrm{th}}$	Patrick B.	9 <sup>th</sup>	Jenny J. Ali W.
16 <sup>th</sup>	Aaron C. Ricardo M.	16 <sup>th</sup>	Carlsson	16 <sup>th</sup>	Kari S. Lizzy W.
	Kitchen		Snack		
$9^{\text{th}}$	Dunn	$9^{\mathrm{th}}$	Mattox Steele		
16 <sup>th</sup>	Dunn	16 <sup>th</sup>	Mattox Steele		
	Signs		Sound		
$9^{\text{th}}$		$9^{\rm th}$	Ricardo M.		
$16^{th}$		$16^{\rm th}$			

#### Family Worship Guide

#### Daily Bible Readings (chronological)

Sunday, Mar 9: Numbers 33-34

Monday, Mar 10: Numbers 35-36

Tuesday, Mar 11: Deuteronomy 1-2

Wednesday, Mar 12: Deuteronomy 3-4

Thursday, Mar 13: Deuteronomy 5-7

Friday, Mar 14: Deuteronomy 8-10

Saturday, Mar 15: Deuteronomy 11-13

#### Prayer

Sunday, Pray for the parents in our congregation.

Monday, Pray for our sister church, Grace Presbyterian Church, in Fallbrook.

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.

#### 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 God all sufficient,

Thou hast made and upholdest all things by the word of thy power; darkness is thy pavilion, thou walkest on the wings of the wind; all nations are nothing before thee; one generation succeeds another, and we hasten back to the dust; the heavens we behold will vanish away like the clouds that cover them, the earth we tread on will dissolve as a morning dream; But thou, unchangeable and incorruptible, art for ever and ever, God over all, blessed eternally infinitely great and glorious art thou. We are thy offspring and thy care. Thy hands have made and fashioned us. Thou hast watched over us with more than parental love, more than maternal tenderness. Thou hast holden our soul in life, and not suffered our feet to be moved. Thy divine power has given us all things necessary for life and godliness. Let us bless thee at all times and forget not how thou hast forgiven our iniquities, redeemed our lives from destruction, crowned us with lovingkindness and tender mercies, satisfied our mouths with good things, renewed our youth like the eagle's. May thy Holy Scriptures govern every part of our lives, and regulate the discharge of all our duties, so that we may adorn thy doctrine in all things.

The Word travels with life or death, salvation or damnation; and brings forth one or another in every soul that hears it.

~ Matthew Mead (1629-1699)

#### 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

March 9, 2014; 9:30am

#### Prayer for Illumination

#### \* Greeting

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

People: Amen!

Leader: Clap your hands, all peoples!

People: Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

Leader: For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared,

People: a great king over all the earth! Amen!

#### \* Blessing

### \* Call to Worship

Psalm 20 (Trinity Hymnal p. 790)

#### \* Song of Adoration

Hymn 441 -- Jesus Shall Reign

#### \* Reading of the Law

Deuteronomy 5:17
You shall not murder

Sixth Commandment

#### 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. Amen!

#### <u>Assurance of Forgiveness</u>

Romans 5:1

Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Congregational Response

Hymn 650 -- I Will Sing Of My Redeemer

#### Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed (Trinity Hymnal p. 845)

#### Tithes and Offerings

#### 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

1 Timothy 4 -- Admonitions to Timothy regarding his ministry.

#### Psalm of the Month

Psalm 24 -- (bulletin)

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

#### Pastoral Prayer

#### Proclamation of the Word

Luke 17:1-4 -- Sin and Forgiveness-- Pastor Clayton Willis

#### \* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 338 -- Spirit Of God, Descend Upon My Heart

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





- 4. <sup>7</sup>O gates, lift your heads! Ancient doors, lift them high!
  The great King of glory to enter draws nigh!
  - <sup>8</sup>O who is the King that in glory draws near? The LORD, mighty LORD of the battle, is here!
- O gates, lift your heads! Ancient doors, lift them high!
   The great King of glory to enter draws nigh!
   This great King of glory, O who can He be?
   The LORD God of hosts, King of glory is He!

# Sermon Notes

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#### Session (elders)

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PPC Giving: January				
Giving	\$13,083.17			
Expenses	\$14,280.12			
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<sup>\*</sup> child is this age by Sept. 1



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