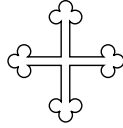


# PROVIDENCE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
(PCA)

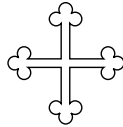
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in  
your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

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

21<sup>st</sup> Communion; Sunday School/ CE

Evening Service 6p at PPC

24<sup>th</sup> Prayer meeting 7p at PPC

28<sup>th</sup> Morning worship; Sunday School/ CE

Evening Service 6p at PPC

### • May

1<sup>st</sup> Bible study 7p at PPC

5<sup>th</sup> Morning worship; Sunday School/ CE

Evening Service 6p at PPC

See our online calendar at

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

## Serving in the Church

### Snacks

#### • April

-21<sup>st</sup> Mattox & Sutherland

-28<sup>th</sup> Dunn &

### Nursery

#### • April

-21<sup>st</sup> Adriana M. & Brianna B.

-28<sup>th</sup> Kari S. & Lizzy W.

### Greeters

#### • April

-21<sup>st</sup>

-28<sup>th</sup> Mary C. & Virginia S.

### Ushers

#### • April

-21<sup>st</sup> Jayson B. & Calvin W.

-28<sup>th</sup> Joshua W.

# Family Worship Guide

## Daily Bible Readings

Sunday, April 21: Josh 14-15;	Psalm 103;	Acts 28
Monday, April 22: Josh 16-18;	Psalm 104;	Rom 1
Tuesday, April 23: Josh 19-20;	Psalm 105:1-25;	Rom 2
Wednesday, April 24: Josh 21-22;	Psalm 105:26-45;	Rom 3-4
Thursday, April 25: Josh 23-24;	Psalm 106:1-23;	Rom 5-6
Friday, April 26: Judg 1;	Psalm 106:24-48;	Rom 7
Saturday, April 27: Judg 2-3;	Psalm 107:1-22;	Rom 8

## Prayer

- Sunday, Pray for the parents in our congregation.
- Monday, Pray for our sister church, Mission Presbyterian, in Brea.
- 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

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## About the Lord's Supper

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At Providence Presbyterian Church, we celebrate the Lord's Supper (what some churches call the "Eucharist" or "Holy Communion") on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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.

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A man's greatest care should be for that place where he lives longest; therefore eternity should be his scope.

~Thomas Watson  
(1620-1686)

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## Notes on Worship

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- **ASSURANCE OF PARDON:** After confessing our sins to God, both publicly and privately, we rest on His promise to us in 1 John 1:9 and wait to hear His proclamation of our forgiveness based on the perfect sacrifice of our Lord Jesus Christ. We use the words of Scripture, usually from Romans 8:1 or 1 Peter 2:24, to convey that assurance of pardon to those who have freely confessed their sins to God. After hearing the proclamation of our forgiveness, and our right standing before God, we can then continue our worship of the most holy God.

# The Public Worship of God

April 21, 2013; 9:30am

## Prayer for Illumination

### \* Greeting

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

**Congregation: Amen!**

*Leader: O sing unto the Lord a new song;*

**Congregation: For He has done marvelous things!**

*Leader: His right hand and his holy arm*

**Congregation: have worked salvation for him! Amen!**

### \* Blessing

### \* Call to Worship

*Psalm 121 (Trinity Hymnal p. 831)*

### \* Song of Adoration

*Hymn 115 -- All Creatures Of Our God And King*

### \* 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 172 -- Let Us Love And Sing And Wonder*

## 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 Corinthians 6 -- The description of the gospel ministry of reconciliation continues (verses 1-13) along with pleas for separation from evil (verses 14-18).

## 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 11:33-36 -- *Good eyes -- Pastor Clayton Willis*

## Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

### \* Song of Thanksgiving

*Hymn 347 -- The Church's One Foundation*

### \* Benediction

### \* Congregational Amens



\* Please stand if you are able

# Psalm 61

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

<sup>2</sup> 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;  
<sup>4</sup> O let me for - ev - er in Your tent a - bide,  
<sup>6</sup> The king's life You'll length - en, pro - long - ing his days;  
<sup>8</sup> 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.



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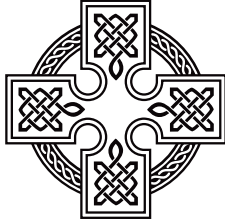
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