

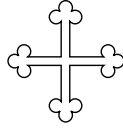


PROVIDENCE

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
(PCA)

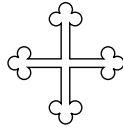
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in
your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

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

• September

- 1st Morning worship
- 8th Communion
- 15th Morning worship
- 22nd Communion; SS/CE; Evening Service/Member's Class
- 29th Morning worship; SS/CE; Evening Service/Member's Class

See our online calendar at

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

Serving in the Church

Snacks

- September
 - 1st Buskirk & Cochrane
 - 8th Mattox
 - 15th Khoury
 - 22nd Willis
 - 29th Khoury

Nursery

- September
 - 1st VonCile G. & Vivian W.
 - 8th Adriana M. & Brianna B.
 - 15th Kari S. & Lizzy W.
 - 22nd Karen O. & Ali W.
 - 29th Kristi W. & Joshua W.

Greeters

- September
 - 1st
 - 8th
 - 15th

Ushers

- September
 - 1st
 - 8th
 - 15th

Family Worship Guide

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday, September 1:	Job 33-34;	Psalm 58;	Luke 22
Monday, September 2:	Job 35-36;	Psalm 59;	Luke 23
Tuesday, September 3:	Job 37-38;	Psalm 60;	Luke 24
Wednesday, September 4:	Job 39-40;	Psalm 61;	John 1
Thursday, September 5:	Job 41-42;	Psalm 62;	John 2
Friday, September 6:	Prov 1-2;	Psalm 63;	John 3
Saturday, September 7:	Prov 3-4;	Psalm 64;	John 4

Prayer

- Sunday, Pray for the parents in our congregation.
- Monday, Pray for our sister church, Redeemer Presbyterian, in Encinitas, 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.

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 Lord, I live here as a fish in a vessel of water, only enough to keep me alive, but in heaven I shall swim in the ocean. Here I have a little in me to keep me breathing, but there I shall have sweet and fresh gales; Here I have a beam of sun to lighten my darkness, a warm ray to keep me from freezing; yonder I shall live in light and warmth for ever. My natural desires are corrupt and misguided, and it is thy mercy to destroy them; My spiritual longings are of thy planting, and thou wilt water and increase them; Quicken my hunger and thirst after the realm above. Here I can have the world, there I shall have thee in Christ; Here is a life of longing and prayer, there is assurance without suspicion, asking without refusal; Here are gross comforts, more burden than benefit, there is joy without sorrow, comfort without suffering, love without inconstancy, rest without weariness. Give me to know that heaven is all love, where the eye affects the heart, and the continual viewing of thy beauty keeps the soul in continual transports of delight. Give me to know that heaven is all peace, where error, pride, rebellion, passion raise no head. Give me to know that heaven is all joy, the end of believing, fasting, praying, mourning, humbling, watching, fearing, repining; and lead me to it soon.

If I have observed anything by experience, it is this: a man may take the measure of his growth and decay in grace according to his thoughts and meditations upon the person of Christ, and the glory of Christ's Kingdom, and of His love.

~John Owen
(1616-1683)

Notes on Worship

- **CONFESSION OF FAITH:** The confession of faith (we use either the Apostle's Creed or Nicene Creed) reminds us that we stand in a long line of men and women who by grace through faith are united to Christ as their Lord and Savior. We are not the end of the so-called 'great commission' found in Matthew 28:18-20, but rather in our confession of faith we recognize that we stand as part of it, and are part of something bigger than ourselves individually, bigger than our congregation, bigger than our denomination--we are part of the church universal (or catholic), true members of the Body of Christ who believe and confess the timeless truths contained in the creed.

The Public Worship of God

September 1, 2013; 9:30am

Prayer for Illumination

* Greeting

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

People: Amen!

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due His name;

People: Bring an offering, and come into His courts!

Leader: Let us worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;

People: Tremble before Him, all the earth! Amen!

* Blessing

* Call to Worship

Psalm 142 (Trinity Hymnal p. 836)

* Song of Adoration

Hymn 38 -- Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

* Reading of the Law

Deuteronomy 5:8-10

Second Commandment

‘You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

Exposition of the Law

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 50,51 (Trinity Hymnal p.873)

Corporate Confession of Sin

Leader: O Lord, we miserable sinners come before you and confess that we have sinned against You.

People: We confess that we have erected idols in our hearts, and bowed down and served them.

Leader: O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You.

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 461 -- Not What My Hands Have Done

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed (Trinity Hymnal p. 845)

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 4:1-16 -- The unity of the church amidst a diversity of gifts.

Psalm of the Month

Psalm 25 -- (bulletin)

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

Pastoral Prayer

Proclamation of the Word

Philippians 4:4-9 -- *Rejoice, the Lord is King -- Mr. Andrew Cavanan*

* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 585 -- Take My Life And Let It Be

* Benediction

* Congregational Amens



* Please stand if you are able

Psalm 25



1. ¹To You I lift my soul; LORD God, in You I trust.
2. ⁴In - struct me in Your paths; LORD, make me know Your way.
3. ⁶Your ten - der mer - cies, LORD, Your stead - fast love re - call,



2 O do not let me suf - fer shame; And let my foes not boast.
5 Teach me and make me fol - low You, That in Your truth I'll stay;
For these are things that have en - dured Through - out the ag - es all.



3 Yes, those who wait on You No shame will ev - er see;
Since You have been my God, The One who res - cues me,
7 My youth - ful sins, my faults, Do not bring these to mind;



Let shame be theirs who with - out cause Be - have with treach - er - y.
For You I'm wait - ing all the day; I wait ex - pect - ant - ly.
O LORD, re - mem - ber me in love, For You are good and kind.



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