

# PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (PCA)

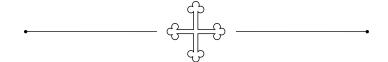
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer.

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**

#### • January

26th Morning worship

Congregational Meeting Evening video service 6p

29th Prayer meeting 7p

#### • February

2<sup>nd</sup> Communion

CE/SS

Potluck (after CE/SS) Evening video service 6p

5<sup>th</sup> Bible Study 7p

9<sup>th</sup> Morning worship

CE/SS

Evening video service 6p

See our online calendar at <a href="http://www.pcapalmdesert.org/calendar.html">http://www.pcapalmdesert.org/calendar.html</a>

#### Serving in the Church

Snacks	Nursery
January	• January
-26 <sup>th</sup>	-26 <sup>th</sup> Kari S. & Lizzy W.
• February	• February
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Ushers

#### Greeters

• January	• January
-26 <sup>th</sup>	-26 <sup>th</sup>

#### Family Worship Guide

#### Daily Bible Readings (chronological)

Sunday, January 26: Genesis 41-42

Monday, January 27: Genesis 43-45

Tuesday, January 28: Genesis 46-47

Wednesday, January 29: Genesis 48-50

Thursday, January 30: Exodus 1-3

Friday, January 31: Exodus 4-6

Saturday, February 1: Exodus 7-9

#### Prayer

Sunday, Pray for the parents in our congregation.

Monday, Pray for our sister church, New Life Presbyterian Church, in Escondido, CA.

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

Lord of Heaven, thy goodness is inexpressible and inconceivable. In the works of creation thou art almighty, in the dispensations of providence all-wise, in the gospel of grace all love, and in thy Son thou hast provided for our deliverance from the effects of sin, the justification of our persons, the sanctification of our natures, the perseverance of our souls in the path of life. Though exposed to the terrors of thy law, we have a refuge from the storm; though compelled to cry, "Unclean", we have a fountain for sin; though creature-cells of emptiness we have a fullness accessible to all, and incapable of reduction. Grant us to know that to walk with Jesus makes other interests a shadow and a dream. Keep us from intermittent attention to eternal things; save us from the delusion of those who fail to go far in religion, who are concerned but not converted, who have another heart but not a new one, who have light, zeal, confidence, but not Christ. Let us judge our Christianity, not only by our dependence upon Jesus, but by our love to him, our conformity to him, our knowledge of him. Give us a religion that is both real and progressive, that holds on its way and grows stronger, that lives and works by the Spirit, that profits by every correction, and is injured by no carnal indulgence.

Where sin is not acknowledged, there is no help or remedy; for he who thinks himself whole when he is sick seeks no physician.

~Martin Luther (1483-1546)

#### Notes on Worship

Lord's Prayer: We use what is commonly called 'The Lord's Prayer' to unite our hearts as we go to our God in prayer. This prayer is a model for us to use in our own prayers: We begin with a recognition of God's majesty and transcendence, then a call for all creation to submit willingly to the Creator's will. As His children, we look to our Heavenly Father to provide for our needs. We seek to implement the gracious forgiveness of our sins by forgiving others. We also look to God to protect us from danger, and to guide our lives so that we live in accordance with His will. We end our prayer with a proclamation that we, through eyes opened by the Holy Spirit, can already see God's kingdom, power and glory manifested on earth

# The Public Worship of God

January 26, 2014; 9:30am

#### Prayer for Illumination

#### \* Greeting

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

People: Amen!

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

People: let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation!

Leader: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving

People: let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! Amen!

#### \* Blessing

#### \* Call to Worship

Psalm 15 (Trinity Hymnal p. 787)

#### \* Song of Adoration

Hymn 1 -- All People That On Earth Do Dwell

#### \* Reading of the Law

Deuteronomy 5:11

Third Commandment

'You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.

#### Exposition of the Law

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 54,55 (Trinity Hymnal p.873)

#### 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 misused Your Name, that we have sworn falsely or lightly by it, and have not professed or kept it holy as we ought.

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 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 486 — God Be Merciful To Me

#### Reception of New Members

Dale & Ann Berg

#### 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

2 Thessalonians 1 -- Salutations, greetings, and the promise of Christ's saving and avenging return.

#### Psalm of the Month

Psalm 72 -- (bulletin)

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

#### Pastoral Prayer

#### Proclamation of the Word

Hebrews 12:18-29 -- Fear, Firstborn and Fire -- Dr. R. Scott Clark

#### \* Song of Thanksgiving

Hymn 316 -- The Mighty God, The Lord

#### \* Benediction

#### \* Congregational Amens (Trinity Hymnal 740)



\* Please stand if you are able

#### Psalm 72



# Sermon Notes

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#### **Elders**

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PPC Giving: November	
Giving	\$10,096.71
Expenses	\$12,392.61
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<sup>\*</sup> 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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