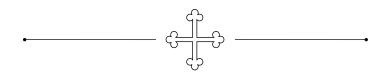




Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my rock and redeemer. Psalm 19:14 ESV



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

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## Upcoming Events

#### • April

6 <sup>th</sup>	Communion (Gustafson) CE/SS Potluck (setup?) Evening video service 5p
$9^{\mathrm{th}}$	Bible study 7p
13 <sup>th</sup>	Morning worship CE/SS Evening video service 5p
$16^{\text{th}}$	Bible study 7p
$19^{th}$	Resurrection Day Breakfast 9:00a at Dunn's
$20^{\text{th}}$	Morning worship

# Serving in the Church

#### • April

	Usher		Greeters		Nursery
$6^{\text{th}}$	Brian G. Joshua W.	6 <sup>th</sup>	deHaas	6 <sup>th</sup>	Kari S. Lizzy W.
13 <sup>th</sup>	Derek W. Bradley M.	13 <sup>th</sup>	Patrick B.	13 <sup>th</sup>	Jenny J. Ali W. Brianna B.
	Kitchen		Snack		
$6^{\mathrm{th}}$		$6^{\mathrm{th}}$	Khoury		
$13^{\text{th}}$		$13^{\text{th}}$			
	Signs		Sound		
$6^{\mathrm{th}}$		$6^{\mathrm{th}}$	Calvin W.		
$13^{\text{th}}$		$13^{\text{th}}$	Ricardo M.		

#### Family Worship Guide

Daily Bible Readings (chronological)
Sunday, Apr 6: Judges 19-21
Monday, Apr 7: Ruth
Tuesday, Apr 8: 1Samuel 1-3
Wednesday, Apr 9: 1Samuel 4-8
Thursday, Apr 10: 1Samuel 9-12
Friday, Apr 11: 1Samuel 13-14
Saturday, Apr 12: 1Samuel 15-17
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.

#### 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 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 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.

Oh that I was lowly in heart! Honor and dishonor, good report and evil report would then be alike, and prove a furtherance to me in my Christian cause.

 $\sim$  George Whitefield (1714 – 1770)

#### Notes on Worship

**Call to Worship:** The call to worship beckons us to come before God and worship Him. Though we have already heard God's greeting and blessing, the call to worship marks the beginning of the worship service. It is with this call that we are ushered into the royal court of heaven, and bow before the throne of grace. It sets apart the worship service as a time to be taken up wholly with the worship of the thrice-holy, triune God.

# The Public Worship of God

#### April 6, 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 sing to the Lord a new song; **People: sing to the Lord, all the earth!** Leader: Sing to the Lord, bless his name; **People: tell of His salvation from day to day. Amen!** 

- \* Blessing
- <u>\* Call to Worship</u> Psalm 25 (Trinity Hymnal p. 792)
- \* Song of Adoration Hymn 363 -- We Gather Together
- \* Reading of the Law Exodus 20:1-17

Ten Commandments

#### <u>Summary of the Law</u>

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.

#### Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 5:1

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

## Congregational Response

Hymn 499 -- Rock Of Ages, Cleft For Me

## Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed (Trinity Hymnal p. 846)

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.

<u>\* Lord's Prayer</u>

\* Reading of Scripture

2 Timothy 2 -- Wholehearted devotion urged through the use of the analogies of the solider, the athlete, the farmer, the workman, the vessel, and the servant.

Psalm of the Month Psalm 22 -- (bulletin)

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

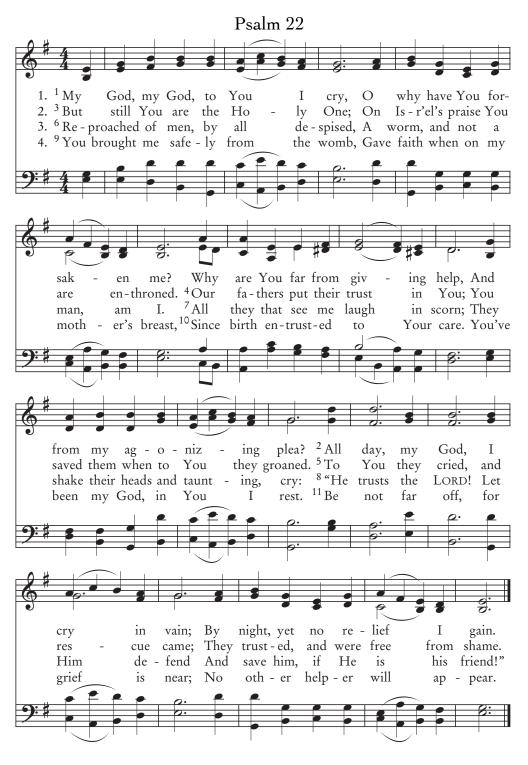
Pastoral Prayer

Proclamation of the Word Luke 18:1-8 -- Persistence in Prayer-- Pastor Clayton Willis

## Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

- \* Song of Thanksgiving Hymn 457 -- Come, Thou Fount Of Every Blessing
- \* Benediction
- \* Congregational Amens (Trinity Hymnal 740)

\* Please stand if you are able



French Plainsong (Processionale), 13th cent.; arr. Thomas Helmore, 1856

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