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The Covenant Renewal Service

Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church

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Reformation Day

October 25, 2009

Welcome

If you are **visiting** our church today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. Please find the registration book in the foyer of the church and help us serve you better by leaving your name and contact information. We promise to keep this information confidential and only use it for personal contact with you and your family. Please join us downstairs for coffee after the service.

Sunday School classes for all ages will meet after the service at 10:50 AM. You are invited to attend the Missouri Presbytery Reformation Day service at Twin Oaks Presbyterian Church this evening at 6 PM. See announcement for details.

If you are unfamiliar with **our form of worship**, please feel free to speak with one of the Pastors or Elders. We have resources that will help you understand the biblical rationale for why we worship the way we do. Pastor Meyers's book *The Lord's Service: The Grace of Covenant Renewal Worship* (Canon Press, 2003) is also available on our book table. Visit our website for more information on our worship and life at Providence: www.providencestlouis.com.

The Lord's Supper at Providence

The **Lord's Supper** is observed every Sunday as the climax of covenant renewal worship. We invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and his body, the Church. The Lord's Table is not for Presbyterians alone. Rather, it is for all professing Christians.

You do not have to speak to the elders before the service. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed, taught, and believed. You also acknowledge that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation.

If you have any questions about your participation at the Lord's Table, please speak to one of the elders or a pastor before or after the service.

Note: We use wine for communion, according to our Lord's example and instruction. But if you require a non-alcoholic drink, the middle circle of cups in each tray contains grape juice.

Martin Luther's Seal

Luther wrote to his friend Lazarus Spengler on July 8, 1530 to explain his new seal (reproduced in B&W on the cover of today's Reformation Day bulletin):

"Grace and peace from the Lord. As you desire to know whether my painted seal, which you sent to me, has hit the mark, I shall answer most amiably and tell you my original thoughts and reason about why my seal is a symbol of my theology.

The first should be a black cross in a heart, which retains its natural color, so that I myself would be reminded that faith in the Crucified saves us. 'For one who believes from the heart will be justified' (Rom. 10:10).

Although it is indeed a black cross, which mortifies and which should also cause pain, it leaves the heart in its natural color. It does not corrupt nature, that is, it does not kill but keeps alive. 'The just shall live by faith' (Rom. 1:17) but by faith in the crucified. Such a heart should stand in the middle of a white rose, to show that faith gives joy, comfort, and peace. In other words, it places the believer into a white, joyous rose, for this faith does not give peace and joy like the world gives (John 14:27).

That is why the rose should be white and not red, for white is the color of the spirits and the angels (cf. Matthew 28:3; John 20:12). Such a rose should stand in a sky-blue field, symbolizing that such joy in spirit and faith is a beginning of the heavenly future joy, which begins already, but is grasped in hope, not yet revealed. And around this field is a golden ring, symbolizing that such blessedness in Heaven lasts forever and has no end. Such blessedness is exquisite, beyond all joy and goods, just as gold is the most valuable, most precious and best metal.

This is a summary of my theology. I have wanted to show it to you in good friendship, hoping for your appreciation. May Christ, our beloved Lord, be with your spirit until the life hereafter. Amen."

Announcements

Operation Christmas Child - Every year Samaritan's Purse takes collections of shoeboxes filled with toys and hygiene products for children around the world. More information is available on the WIC table. If you decide to fill a shoebox, please bring it back to church by November 22. If you have any questions, or need a shoebox, see Anna Hoegemann.

Kirk of the Hills Women's Ministry is sponsoring a Day of Spiritual Enrichment Saturday, November 14 from 9-2. This year the topic is "Holding on to Hope" which will include messages from the book of Job such as "When Your World Falls Apart", "Questions We Ask When Life Hurts" and "Hearing God Speak in Your Storms". The guest speaker is Nancy Guthrie from Christ Presbyterian Church in Nashville, Tennessee. She has written several books including *Hoping for Something Better*. The cost is \$20 for breakfast snacks and lunch. Registration is due by November 8. A brochure with more detailed information is on the WIC table with registration forms. If you have questions contact either Joanie Harris or Jean at Kirk of the Hills 314-392-4741.

Christmas Lessons & Carols - Our annual Christmas Lessons and Carols Service will be Sunday, December 20 at 6:00 P.M. This is a festive carol and anthem celebration involving special music from the adult, youth, elementary, and preschool choirs -approximately 130 singers in all! All children and youth from age 2 through grade 12 are involved, including our Resurrection Presbyterian families. Parents - please support the attendance of your children at Sunday School each week, which is where the music is being learned. Thank you! Bill Hoover.

Men's Bible Study - A men's Bible study, lead by Pastor Anderson, is well underway. We've been reading and discussing Dietrich Bonhoeffer's book, "Life Together." We meet every Tuesday morning at 7 AM in the fellowship hall at church. If you need a copy of the book, or have any questions, see Josh. Everyone is welcome!

Church Calendar

<i>Tuesdays</i>	Men's Bible Study
<i>Thursdays</i>	Ladies' Bible Study
<i>Fridays</i>	High School Guys' Bible Study
November 1	Deacons' Fund Collection
November 8	Parish Groups Meet
December 20	Lessons and Carols

The Morning Service

Preparation For Worship: *Psalm 46*

October 25, 2009 - Reformation Sunday

Organ - Mr. Bill Hoover

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor Jeff Meyers

The Entrance

Call to Worship: *Psalm 46:1-7*

Pastor Jeffrey J. Meyers

†Hymn "A mighty Fortress is our God" (see pp. 9-10 of bulletin)

†Salutation & Responsive Scripture

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit!

Congregation: **Amen!**

Matthew 28:19

The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

And also with you!

Thanks be to God!

1 Corinthians 15:57

Who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

†Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord:

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid, cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your glorious Name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

Purification

†Pastor: Make confession to God the Lord, and let everyone acknowledge with me his sin and guilt.

Lord God, eternal and almighty Father, we confess and truly recognize, before your holy majesty, that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in sin and corruption, inclined to do evil, unprofitable for all good; and that from our vice we endlessly and ceaselessly transgress your holy commandments. In so doing, we incur ruin and damnation upon ourselves. Nevertheless, Lord, we are displeased with ourselves for having offended against you and condemn ourselves and our vices with true repentance, desiring that your grace support us in our calam-

ity. Have mercy on us, God and Father, most blessed and full of mercy, in the Name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. *Silent Prayer. Amen!*

†Pastor: Now lift up your heads and hear the Good News. . .

“. . . You shall call his name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins” (Matthew 1:21).

“This is a faithful saying, that deserves full acceptance: Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners” (1 Timothy 1:15).

Let everyone, therefore, with Saint Matthew and Saint Paul, truly acknowledge this in his or her heart and believe in Jesus Christ.

May each of you truly recognize himself a humble sinner before God and believe that the heavenly Father in Jesus Christ looks upon you with favor. Unto all who in this manner repent and seek Jesus Christ as their salvation, I declare absolution in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: **Amen!**

Ascension

†Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

We lift them up to the Lord!

†Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

It is proper and right to do so.

†It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, eternal God, creator and ruler of the universe. At your word the earth was made a glorious home for mankind. Your hand formed us from the dust of the earth and set us over all your creatures to love and serve you. When we were unfaithful to you, you kept faith with us, your love remained steadfast. When we were slaves in Egypt, you broke the bonds of our oppression, brought us through the sea to freedom, and graciously covenanted to be our God. By a pillar of fire you led us through the desert to a land flowing with milk and honey, and set before us the way of life. You gave your Word to take on our flesh and in him you lived among us, manifesting your glory. He died that we might live, and has risen to raise us to new life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with angels and archangels and with all the faithful of every time and place, who forever sing to the glory of your Name. . .

†Hymn #135 “I greet thee, who my sure Redeemer art” *Trinity Hymnal*

The Old Testament Reading: *Psalms 25* Pastor Joshua Anderson

TODAY AT PROVIDENCE

Nursery Volunteers, Thank You!

Today's Volunteers:

Morning Service – Brad Woods, Wolff, Pratt
Sunday School – Shields, Montgomery, Smith

Next Sunday's Volunteers:

Morning Service – Schmidt, McDonnell, Pratt
Sunday School – Inion, Ami Anderson, Gibbs
Evening Service – Wamsley

Congregational Meeting - The Session of Providence has called a congregational meeting today immediately after morning worship for the purpose of voting on calling Joshua Anderson as Associate Pastor. Currently, Joshua is serving as an Assistant Pastor, called by the Session of the Church. Copies of the official Call to Joshua will be available on the table in the foyer for the congregation to review. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask any session member or pastor.

Adult Sunday School Class “The Reformation” – Our adult Sunday school class continues this morning in the fellowship hall. Audio mp3s of the previous classes are available online at www.providencestlouis.com. Our class today is on the theology and influence of Calvin.

The **College and Career Class** meets at Pastor Anderson’s home. Directions are available. This fall, the class will be discussing the place of wisdom in the life of a believer using Pastor Meyers’ book, “A Table in the Mist.”

Joint Reformation Service - The Missouri Presbytery invites you and your family to attend this year’s Joint Reformation Service to be held at Twin Oaks Presbyterian Church, 1230 Big Bend Blvd. (Hwy. 141 and Big Bend in West County) tonight at 6:00 P.M. Dr. Bryan Chapell, president of Covenant Seminary, will be the preacher for this year’s service. Leading the 100-voice choir will be guest musician Craig Courtney, president of Beckenhorst Music Publishing Company, who will conduct several of his own anthem compositions. Come be inspired by an uplifting message and let your heart be stirred by the dynamic blending of organ, brass, choir, bagpipes and contemporary gospel musicians.

Bulletin Announcements – If you would like to put an announcement in the bulletin, email Melanie Carter at cartersonthehill@gmail.com or call Paul Jaeggi. All announcements must be submitted by noon on Wednesday.

The old e - vil foe Now means
Ask ye, Who is this? Je - sus
This world's prince may still Scowl fierce
And take they our life, Goods, fame,

dead - ly woe; Deep guile and great might
Christ it is, Of sab - a - oth Lord,
as he will, He can harm us none,
child, and wife, Though these all be gone,

Are his dread arms in fight; On earth
And there's none oth - er God; He holds
He's judged; the deed is done; One lit -
Our vic - t'ry has been won; The King -

is not his e - qual.
the field for - ev - er.
tle word can fell him.
dom ours re - main - eth.

Text: Martin Luther, 1483-1546; tr. composite
Tune: Martin Luther, 1483-1546

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This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

The Epistle Reading: *1 Peter 5:1-7*

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

†The Gospel Reading: *Luke 18:9-14*

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Praise be to you, O Christ!

†We Confess Our Faith: *Luther's Sung Version of the Nicene Creed*

1 We all be - lieve in one true God, Who cre - at - ed
2 We all be - lieve in Je - sus Christ, His own Son, our
3 We all con - fess the Ho - ly Ghost, Who, in high - est

earth and heav - en, The Fa - ther, who to us in love
Lord, pos - sess - ing An e - qual God - head, throne, and might,
heav - en dwell - ing With God the Fa - ther and the Son,

Has the right of chil - dren giv - en. He in soul and
Source of ev - 'ry grace and bless - ing; Born of Mar - y,
Com - forts us be - yond all tell - ing; Who the Church, His

bod - y feeds us; All we need His hand pro - vides us;
vir - gin moth - er, By the pow - er of the Spir - it,
own cre - a - tion, Keeps in u - ni - ty of spir - it.

Through all snares and per - ils leads us, Watch - ing that no
Word made flesh, our el - der broth - er; That the lost might
Here for - give - ness and sal - va - tion Dai - ly come through

harm be - tide us. He cares for us by
life in - her - it, Was cru - ci - fied for
Je - sus' mer - it. All flesh shall rise, and

day and night; All things are gov - erned by His might.
all our sin And raised by God to life a - gain.
we shall be In bliss with God e - ter - nal - ly.

Sermon Text: *Luke 18:9-14*

Sermon: **GOD JUSTIFIES THE HUMBLE!**

Pastor Jeffrey J. Meyers

A REFORMATION DAY SERMON

†Hymn: #461 "From depths of woe I raise to thee"

Trinity Hymnal

Tribute Offering

We Offer Ourselves Through Tithes and Offerings

Choir Anthem "Sing to the Lord of Harvest"

Sing to the Lord of harvest, Sing songs of love and praise;
With joyful hearts and voices Your alleluias raise!
By Him the rolling seasons In fruitful order move;
Sing to the Lord of harvest A song of happy love.

By Him the clouds drop fatness, The deserts bloom and spring,
The hills leap up in gladness, The valleys laugh and sing.
He filleth with His fullness, All things with large increase;
He crowns the year with goodness, With plenty, and with peace.

Heap on His sacred altar The gifts His goodness gave,
The golden sheaves of harvest, The souls He died to save.
Your hearts lay down before Him When at His feet ye fall,
And with your lives adore Him Who gave His life for all.

Text: John S. B. Monsall, from *Hymns of Love and Praise*, 1866, alt.
Music: Johann Steurlein, 1575, arr. Healey Willan (1880-1968); Joanie Harris, piano

†The Doxology

†Presentation of the Offering

†Prayer of the Church

O God, in mercy remember your inheritance, and forget not the congregation of your people forever. You are our Redeemer and the lifter up of our head, and under the shadow of your wings shall we find our shelter and our rest.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

Preserve, O God, the Universal Church in holiness and truth, in unity and peace. May she ever advance the honor of her Lord, for ever represent his sacrifice, glorify his Person, and advance his kingdom, that being accepted by you, and filled with the Holy Spirit, she may partake of our Lord's glory.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

1 A might - y for - tress is our God,
2 With might of ours can naught be done,
3 Though dev - ils all the world should fill,
4 The Word they still shall let re - main

A trust - y shield and weap - on;
Soon were our loss ef - fect - ed;
All ea - ger to de - vour us,
Nor an - y thanks have for it;

He helps us free from ev - 'ry need
But for us fights the val - iant One,
We trem - ble not, we fear no ill,
He's by our side up - on the plain

That hath us now o'er - tak - en.
Whom God him - self e - lect - ed.
They shall not o - ver - pow'r us.
With his good gifts and Spir - it.

As smoke be - fore his dread - ful ire, as wax is
 God's might - y power sets pris - oners free; his arm of
 God crush - es heads of en - e - mies; he brings them
 Pro - claim the awe - some power of God, make known his

mol - ten by the fire, so shall the wick - ed per - ish.
 strength gains vic - to - ry, to reb - els shows no pit - y.
 back from far - thest seas for Is - rael's ju - bi - la - tion.
 might - y deeds a - broad; all Is - rael shall ex - tol him.

But let the right - eous, blest of old, joy in their
 The fa - ther of the fa - ther - less and help for
 He hears the need - y when they cry; he saves their
 For he is pow - er - ful and great: all earth and

God and now be - hold the vic - to - ry they cher - ish.
 wid - ows in dis - tress is God in Zi - on's cit - y.
 souls when death draws nigh: this God is our sal - va - tion.
 skies are his es - tate; his maj - es - ty ex - cels them.

Give the spirit of justice and righteousness to all Christian rulers and magistrates; grant that their people may obey them, and that they may obey you. Especially we do pray for our President and Congress, that they might conform their judgments more and more to your holy law, and further your kingdom in this world, the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

Give to your servants, pastors, elders and deacons, the spirit of patience and humility, of holiness and diligence, of prudence and courage, to declare your will by a pure life and wise words, that they may minister to the good of souls, and find the reward of the Master's approval at his coming.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

Give to our relatives and friends pardon of sin and the support of your grace, comfort in their sorrows, strength in their temptations, and the guidance of your good Spirit; that doing your will and rejoicing in your mercies here, they may partake of your glories hereafter.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

Give protection to all widows and orphans, patience and submission to the sick, consolation to the afflicted, that they may be rewarded by your comforts for the days wherein they have suffered adversity.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

Be a star and a guide to them that travel by land or sea; the strength of them that toil on farms and in factories; give cheerfulness to sad hearts, maintenance to the poor, be a defense to the oppressed, and put a stop to the sins and miseries of all mankind.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

Give unto our enemies your forgiveness, charity towards us, and love for you. Bring all sinners to repentance, and all your saints to perfect love and holiness; bring all the nations to the knowledge of the Lord Jesus, and all the benefits of his passion; to the glory of his Name.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

Give to all merchants faithfulness and truth; to the farmer health, fair seasons, and reward his toil with the dew of heaven and the blessings of the earth. Give to all workman diligence in their callings, and a blessing on their labors; give to the old a mature faith, and desires after heaven; give to the young an early piety; give to all families your protection; and give to us all pardon, and holiness, and life eternal.

Have mercy upon us, O God, and do not hide yourself from our petitions.

The Sacrifice of Peace

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Memorial

The Words of Institution

Hymn: #514 (*Psalm 124*) "Now Israel may say"

Trinity Hymnal

†The Song of Simeon (*Nunc Dimittis*): Luke 2:30-32

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy Word; for mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou has prepared before the face of all people; A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

†Pastor: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

Congregation: **And his mercy endures forever!**

Pastoral Prayer: We give thanks to you, Almighty God, that you have here refreshed your people with such wonderful gifts; we ask now as we prepare to leave your house that you would graciously strengthen us in the use of these gifts, increasing our love for you and for one another; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age.

Congregation: **Amen!**

Benediction

†Psalm 68 (*The Battle Hymn of the Reformation*) "Let God arise"

(see next page)

†Charge: *Matthew 28:18-20*

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24-26*

†Three-fold Amen

†Postlude

*Stately,
with vigor*
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Let God Arise and by His Might

(GENEVAN PSALM 68)

1 Let God a - rise and by his might put all his
2 Ex - alt, ex - alt the name of God! Sing, sing his
3 Give praise to God with rev - erence deep; he dai - ly
4 All na - tions of the earth, ex - ult, raise psalms of

en - e - mies to flight with shame and con - ster - na - tion.
roy - al fame a - broad with fer - vent ex - al - ta - tion.
comes our lives to keep and kind - ly bears our bur - dens.
praise to heav - en's vault, God's an - cient throne and dwell - ing.

For when the LORD God shall ap - pear, he will con -
Cast up a high - way smooth and wide, that through the
Our God up - holds us in the strife; to us he
God rides his char - iot in the height, he thun - ders

sume, a - far and near, with fire and des - o - la - tion.
des - erts he may ride; the LORD is our sal - va - tion.
grants e - ter - nal life and saves from all that threat - ens.
forth his roy - al right; God reigns, all kings ex - cel - ling.

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