

# The Covenant Renewal Service

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## Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church

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## Pentecost Season

*July 25, 2010*

# 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 this morning's service.

**Sunday School** classes have been suspended for the summer months. Please use the rest of the Lord's Day to show hospitality and enjoy the day of rest the Lord has provided. Join us again tonight as we gather for an evening service of praise, prayer, and Bible teaching. Weather permitting, we will have a cookout on the church parking lot immediately following our evening service.

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. Visit our website for articles, essays, and other helpful information on our worship and life at Providence: [www.providencestl.com](http://www.providencestl.com).

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. By eating the bread and wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging to the elders of this local church that you are in covenant with God as an active member of a congregation in which the Gospel is faithfully confessed, taught, and believed. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the elders or the pastor before or after the service. **Note:** The middle circle of cups in each tray contains grape juice, the larger outer ring contains wine. (The grape juice has a darker color than the wine.)

## Holy Trinity Diagram (Front Cover)



No symbol can adequately comprehend the richness of the reality and abundant life of our Triune God. The shield on the front cover depicts something of the Unity in Trinity in Unity that is the living and true God in whom we trust. At the center of the circle is *Deus* (Latin for "God"). **Reading out from the center along the three spokes the unity of the Godhead is represented:** *Deus est Pater* = God is the Father and the Father is God, *Deus est Filius* = God is the Son and the Son is God, *Deus est*

*Spiritus Sanctus* = God is the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit is God. **Reading around the circumference of the circle the distinctions between the Persons are noted:** *Pater non est Filius* = The Father is not the Son, *Filius non est Spiritus Sanctus* = The Son is not the Holy Spirit, *Spiritus Sanctus non est Pater* = The Holy Spirit is not the Father.

# The Morning Service

The Lord's Day — July 25, 2010

*Pentecost Season*

**Preparation For Worship: Psalm 92**

Organ - Mr. Bill Hoover

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

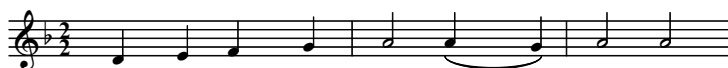
## The Entrance

†Call to Worship: *Habakkuk 2:20*

Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

Silent Prayer and Preparation

†Hymn "Let all mortal flesh keep silence"



1. Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence,  
2. King of Kings, yet born of Mar - y,  
3. Rank on rank the host of heav - en  
4. At His feet the six - winged ser - aph;



and with fear and trem - bling stand;  
As of old on earth He stood,  
Spreads its van - guard on the way,  
Cher - u - bim, with sleep - less eye,



Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly mind - ed,  
Lord of Lords, in hu - man ves - ture--  
As the Light of light de - scend - eth  
Veil their fa - ces to the pres - ence,



For with bless - ing in His hand,  
In the bod - y and the blood--  
From the realms of end - less day,  
As with cease - less voice they cry,



Christ our God to earth de - scend - eth,  
He will give to all the faith - ful  
That the powers of hell may van - ish  
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia,



Our full hom - age to de - mand.  
His own self for heav'n - ly food.  
As the dark - ness clears a - way.  
Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!

†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!**

Bless the Lord, O my soul,

*Psalms 103:1, 4*

**And all that is within me, bless his holy name!**

He redeems your life from the pit,

**And crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.**

†Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord:

**Gathered in the Name of Jesus, we ask you, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with your Word and Spirit. Be gracious to us according to your promise. Give us an increase of faith, hope, and love, that, receiving what you have promised, we may love what you have commanded; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen!**

## **Purification**

†Confession of Sins

*Psalms 32:1-2*

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,

**Whose sin is covered.**

Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,

**And in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

**Eternal God, in whom I live and move and have my being, my heavenly Father, your face is hidden from me because of my sins. Cleanse me, I pray, from all my offenses, and deliver me from proud thoughts and vain desires. Grant that I may, in lowliness and meekness, draw near to you. Confessing my faults and confiding in your grace, I look for your grace and mercy through Christ, your Son, our Lord. *Silent Prayer. Amen!***

†Pastor: Now lift up your heads and hear the good news . . . !

# 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.**

†Truly it is fitting, right, and beneficial to give thanks to you at all times and in every place, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God. Therefore, with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, and with the church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you and singing . . .

†The Sanctus

*with vigor*  
*fff* Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Lord, God of Hosts! Hea-ven and earth are  
full of Your glo-ry! Ho - san-na in the High - est! Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the High - est.

†Hymn #17 “Ye holy angels bright”

*Trinity Hymnal*

The Old Testament Reading: *Exodus 24:1-11*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

The Epistle Reading: *2 Corinthians 3:1-18*

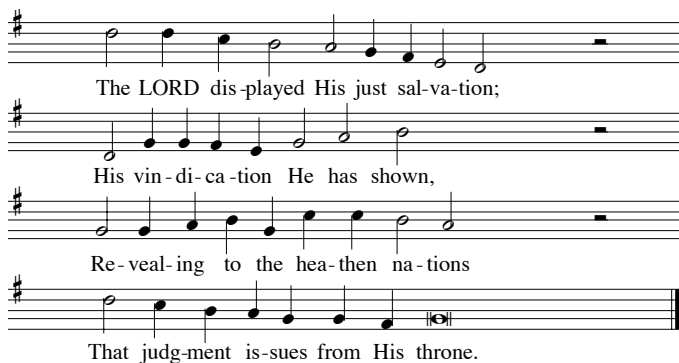
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Psalms 98 “Sing to the LORD, a new song”

*Anglo-Genevan Psalter*

1543/Geneva, 1551  
1. Sing to the LORD, a new song voic - ing,  
For might-y won-ders He has done.  
His right hand and His arm most ho - ly  
The vic-to-ry for Him have won.



The LORD dis-played His just sal-va-tion;  
 His vin-di-ca-tion He has shown,  
 Re-veal-ing to the hea-then na-tions  
 That judg-ment is-sues from His throne.

2. *He has remembered all His mercy,  
 His faithfulness to Israel.  
 The ends of earth have seen His glory;  
 In victory did He excel.  
 Now make a joyful noise before Him;  
 O all the earth, His praises sing!  
 With loud acclaim let all adore Him  
 And let the joyful anthems ring!*
3. *Join to the harp your glad rejoicing;  
 A psalm of adoration sing,  
 With trumpet and with cornet voicing  
 Your joyful praise to God the King.  
 Let oceans roar with all their fulness,  
 The world and all that dwell therein.  
 Acclaim the LORD's great power with boldness;  
 Exalt Him ever and again.*
4. *Let all the streams in joyous union  
 Now clap their hands and praise accord,  
 The mountains join in glad communion  
 And leap with joy before the LORD.  
 He comes, He comes to judge the peoples  
 In righteousness and equity;  
 He will redeem the world from evil  
 And righteous shall His judgment be!*

†The Gospel Reading: *Luke 22:14-20*

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!  
**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

†We Confess our Faith: *The Nicene Creed*

**I believe in one God the Father Almighty,  
 Maker of heaven and earth,  
 and of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God,**

begotten of his Father before all worlds: God of God,  
Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made;  
being of one substance with the Father,  
by whom all things were made:

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,  
and was made man; and was crucified also for us  
under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,  
and ascended into heaven,

and sits on the right hand of the Father.

And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living  
and the dead whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and  
glorified; who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

And I look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen!

†The *Gloria Patri*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and every shall be,  
world without end. Amen, Amen.

Sermon Text: *Hebrews 7:26-8:13*

Sermon: "LIFE IN THE NEW COVENANT"

Pastor Joshua Anderson

IX. EXPOSITION OF THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

## **Tribute Offering**

We Offer Ourselves Through Tithes and Offerings

†[HANDS RAISED] The *Doxology*

*Trinity Hymnal*, p. xvi

†[HANDS RAISED] The Lord's Prayer

## **The Sacrifice of Peace**

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Bread

Hymn: #422 "As when the Hebrew prophet raised" *Trinity Hymnal*

Prayer of Thanksgiving for the Cup & The Words of Institution

†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!**

Congregational Prayer: **Almighty God, Father of mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and lovingkindness to us and to all mankind.**

**We bless you for our creation and preservation, and for all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ, for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.**

**And we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen!**

## **Benediction**

†Hymn #174 “Praise the Saviour now and ever”

*Trinity Hymnal*

†The Lord’s Commission: *Matthew 28:18-20*

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24-26*

†Three-fold Amen

†Postlude

†Greet One Another

Welcome to Providence Reformed Presbyterian Church, especially those who are visiting with us for the first time today. Join us at 5 PM for our evening worship. A cookout will follow the service. Bring your own drinks and meat to grill.

# Sermon Notes & Prayer Requests

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## The Evening Service

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Scripture Reading: *Deuteronomy 18:9-22* Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

†Hymn #449 "The law of God is good and wise" *Trinity Hymnal*

Psalm Sing

Prayer Requests & Prayer

†Hymn #27 "If God is on our side" *Anglo-Genevan Psalter*

Scripture Reading: *1 Samuel 28:3-25* Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

Sermon: **WITCHES, OUJI BOARDS, & WARNINGS**

**X. Exposition of the Life of David**

†Hymn #567 "If thou but suffer God to guide thee" *Trinity Hymnal*

†Benediction & Postlude

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*Nursery Volunteers, Thank You!*

**Today's Volunteers:**

Morning Service – Caleb Keane, Grant Schaffer

Evening Service – Ami Anderson

**Next Sunday's Volunteers:**

Morning Service – Horne

Evening Service – Anna Hoegemann, Amy Pratt

**Providence Fall Men's Retreat** — On September 10th and 11th, Providence will hold a retreat for men in the church. The speaker will be Luke Brouwer. Luke is a Covenant seminary graduate and Ministry Director for Sanctuary St. Louis, a local Christian ministry. The topic for the retreat, which will be held at the church building, will be "True Masculinity." There will be a session on Friday evening and several sessions on Saturday morning and early afternoon. Look for details on how to sign up for the retreat very soon. All men are welcome, including non-Providence members!

**Bowl/Vase Missing** — The Coller's are missing a green and white, oval vase. A picture is on the WIC table. Please contact Leesa if you find it. 314-726-6799

**Found!** — A few items have been found around the church: a gift card, and a house key copy (made at Lowes). If you think one of these items could be yours, see Kathy Hoegemann.



..... : **There is going to be a Baby Shower.**  
..... : **Please arrive at the designated hour.**  
..... : **With your reply please do not wait;**  
..... : **Don't even think to hesitate.**  
..... : **Come and see**  
..... : **The new mom to be.**  
..... : **You would not, could not miss**  
..... : **A baby shower as great as this.**

Join us for a **baby shower honoring Rachel Bozarth**. Rosamma Weston will be hosting the party on July 26 at 7 PM. Rachel is registered at Target and Cotton Babies. Please RSVP to Rosamma at 314-205-2018.

## Church Calendar

July 26  
September 10-11

Baby Shower for Rachel Bozarth  
Men's Retreat

# The Lord's Service Explained

## *Our Common Table*

The unity of the church is not merely something we claim by faith every week when we sit at the common Table, it is also something we *become* every week as we eat the bread and drink the wine together. When we join our voices together with the gathered assembly in prayer, confession, singing, eating, and drinking we are weekly reconstituted by the Spirit as the Body of Christ, the very visible, even tangible public presence of God's saving activity in the world.

Sadly, we often reduce the Lord's Supper to a means of providing mental stimulus for individual religious meditation. It is thought by many to be just another opportunity to exercise personal, private devotions at church. To some extent, the way we have traditionally practiced the Supper encourages this. Everyone closes their eyes, turns inward, and mediates privately. The corporate, communal dimension of the Sacrament gets smothered beneath what in effect becomes an opportunity for personal quiet time in church. There is, of course, room for silence during the rite of Communion, but there is so much more going on than merely private devotions with the visual aids of bread and wine. Surely the food on the Table is not merely God's flannel graph for adults.

What we do at the Lord's Table ought to form us into a particular kind of community—a community of sacrificial love united to one another in Jesus our Savior. The Scriptures, for example, teach the necessity of reconciling any fellow Christians who might be at variance with each other before they could eat the Lord's Supper together. The unity of the church as the Body of Christ, symbolized in the one loaf, must not be violated by personal disputes among the members of the local body as well as formal ecclesiastical schisms in the larger communion of the saints.

The Apostle Paul says that we assemble "as the church" and we "come together" precisely to eat the Lord's Supper and that in an openly unified way (1 Cor. 11:18, 20, 33, 34). The more we faithfully *do* the Lord's Supper, the more we will experience the communal dimensions of the Sacrament, indeed, the community-forming nature of the ritual meal. Only then will the concrete oneness that our Lord petitioned the Father for be realized in the Church "in order that the world may believe" (John 17:23).

## **Catechism of the Week**

### **The Westminster Shorter Catechism - Q. 86**

*Q. What is faith in Jesus Christ?*

A. Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation, as he is offered to us in the Gospel

# Officers and Resource People

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