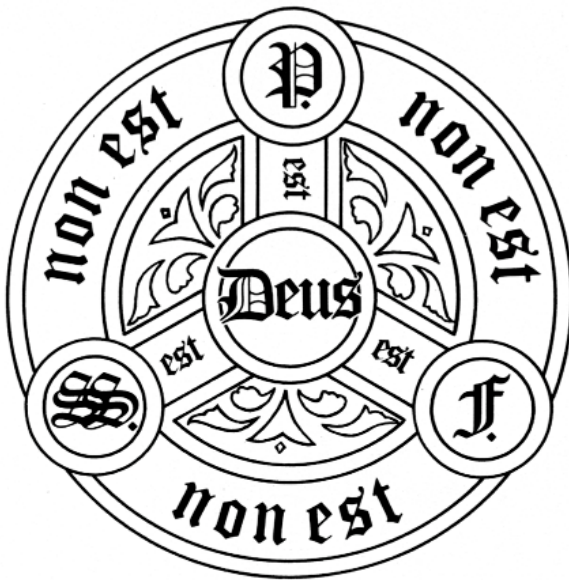


# The Covenant Renewal Service

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## Pentecost Season

*September 19, 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.

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 and 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

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The Lord's Day — September 19, 2010  
*Pentecost Season*

**Preparation For Worship:** *Psalm 33*

Organ - Mr. Bill Hoover

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

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## The Entrance

Silent Preparation for Worship

†Call to Worship: *Psalm 33:8-12*

Pastor Joshua Anderson

Pastor: Let all the earth fear the Lord

Congregation: **Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!**

For he spoke, and it came to be;

**He commanded and it stood firm**

The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing;

**He frustrates the plans of the peoples.**

The counsel of the Lord stands forever,

**The plans of his heart to all generations.**

Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord,

**The people whom he has chosen as his heritage!**

†Hymn #4 "All praise to God, who reigns above" *Trinity Hymnal*

†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!**

†Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, you are slow to anger, and full of mercy, welcoming sinners who return to you with penitent hearts; receive in your loving embrace all who come home to you; seat them at your bountiful table of grace, that, with all your children, they may feast with delight on all that satisfies their hunger and thirst for righteousness; through your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age. Amen!**

## Purification

†Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins unto God our Father, asking him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant us forgiveness.

Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess to you, that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you by thought, word, and deed. Therefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**O most merciful God, since you have given your only-begotten Son to die for me, have mercy on me, and for his sake grant me remission of all my sins; and by your Holy Spirit increase in me true knowledge of you and of your will, and true obedience to your Word, that by your grace I may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.**

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

The Rite of Christian Baptism

Scripture Reading: *Exodus 20:7 & 2 Timothy 2:3-7*

Parental Vows: *Adam & Melanie Greeno*

Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?

Do you claim God's covenant promises in his behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for his salvation, as you do for your own?

Do you now present this child to be baptized into the Christian Faith, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before him a godly example, that you will pray with him and for him, that you will teach him the doctrines of our holy faith, and that you will strive, by all means of God's appointment, to bring him up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

Congregational Vows

Do you, members of this congregation and also members of the Body of Christ outside of this local church, undertake this responsibility of assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?

Holy Baptism: *Glenn Adam Greeno*

Prayer: Elder Jason Carter

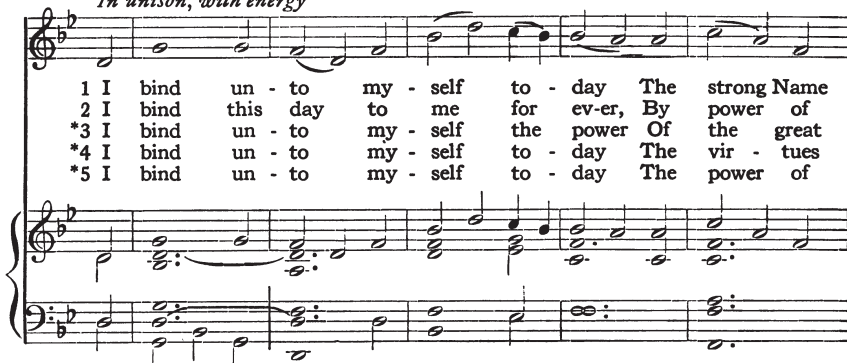
†We Sing: *The Lorica*

# The Lorica

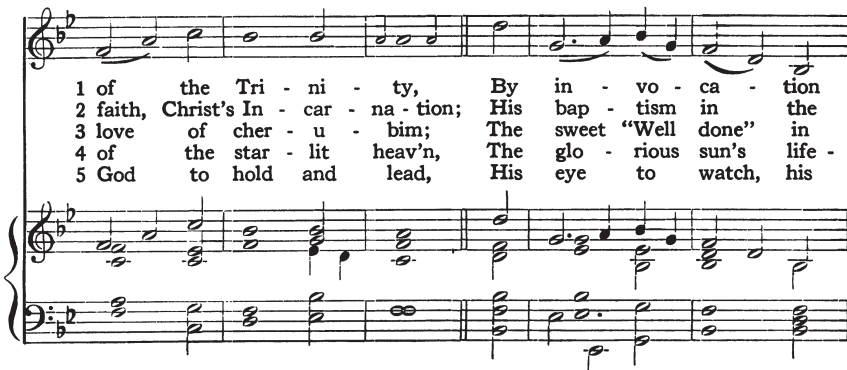
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Traditional Irish Melody

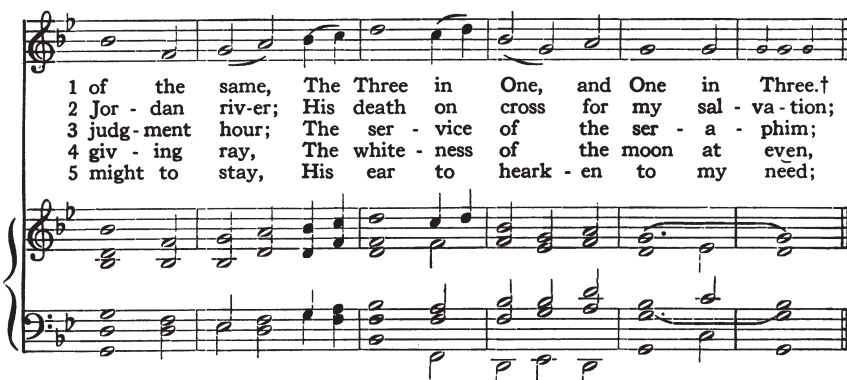
*In unison, with energy*



1 I bind un - to my - self to - day The strong Name  
2 I bind this day to me for ev - er, By power of  
\*3 I bind un - to my - self the power Of the great  
\*4 I bind un - to my - self to - day The vir - tues  
\*5 I bind un - to my - self to - day The power of



1 of the Tri - ni - ty, By in - vo - ca - tion  
2 faith, Christ's In - car - na - tion; His bap - tism in the  
3 love of cher - u - bim; The sweet "Well done" in  
4 of the star - lit heav'n, The glo - rious sun's life -  
5 God to hold and lead, His eye to watch, his



1 of the same, The Three in One, and One in Three.†  
2 Jor - dan riv - er; His death on cross for my sal - va - tion;  
3 judg - ment hour; The ser - vice of the ser - a - phim;  
4 giv - ing ray, The white - ness of the moon at even,  
5 might to stay, His ear to heark - en to my need;

†Stanza 1 ends here; the following stanzas continue on the next page

2 His burst - ing from the spi - ced tomb; His ri - ding  
 3 Con - fess - ors' faith, a - pos - tles' word, The pa - triarchs'  
 4 The flash - ing of the light - ning free, The whirl - ing  
 5 The wis - dom of my God to teach, His hand to

2 up the heav'n - ly way; His com - ing at the  
 3 prayers, the pro - phets' scrolls; All good deeds done un -  
 4 wind's tem - pes - tuous shocks, The sta - ble earth, the  
 5 guide, his shield to ward; The word of God to

2 day of doom: I bind un - to my - self to - day.  
 3 to the Lord, And pu - ri - ty of ran - somed souls.  
 4 deep salt sea, A - round the old un - dy - ing rocks.  
 5 give me speech, His heav'n - ly host to be my guard.

**DEIRDRE****Traditional Irish Melody***In harmony, with breadth*

6 Christ be with me, Christ with-in me, Christ be-hind me, Christ be-fore me,  
Christ be-neath me, Christ a-bove me, Christ in qui-et, Christ in dan-ger,

Christ be-side me, Christ to win me, Christ to com-fort and re-store me,  
Christ in hearts of all that love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stranger.

**ST. PATRICK**

7 I bind un-to my-self the Name, The strong Name

of the Tri-ni-ty; By in-vo-ca-tion

of the same, The Three in One, and One in Three.

Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion; E - ter - nal

Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: Praise to the Lord of

*In harmony*  
my sal - va - tion, Sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord. A-men.

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# Ascension

The Hebrew Scriptures: *Leviticus 16:1-22*

Pastor Joshua Anderson

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

The Epistle Reading: *Hebrews 10:1-18*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

†The Gospel Reading: *John 10:7-18*

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

†The *Gloria Patri*

Sermon Text: *Hebrews 10:19-25*

Sermon: THE NEW AND LIVING WAY

Pastor Joshua Anderson

**XI. 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

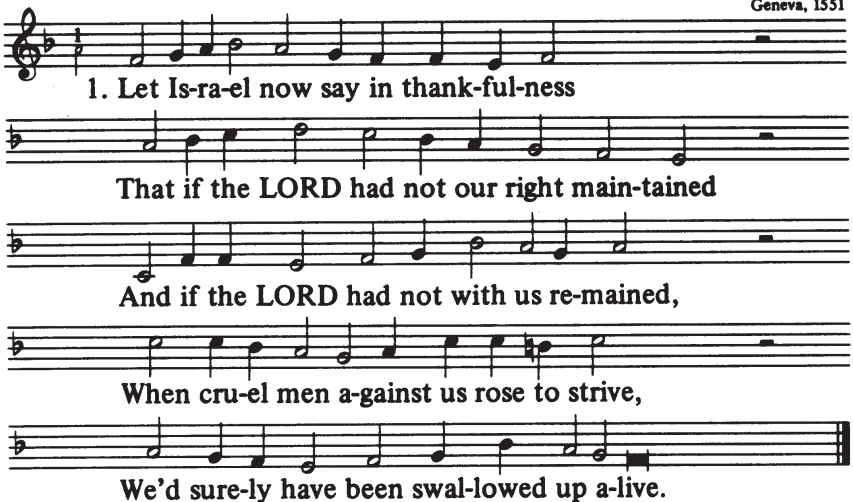
## The Sacrifice of Peace

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Memorial

We Feast at the Lord's Table

Psalm 124

*Anglo-Genevan Psalter*



Geneva, 1551

1. Let Is-ra-el now say in thank-ful-ness  
That if the LORD had not our right main-tained  
And if the LORD had not with us re-mained,  
When cru-el men a-gainst us rose to strive,  
We'd sure-ly have been swal-lowed up a-live.

2. Yea, *when their wrath against us fiercely rose,*  
 Then *would the tide o'er us have spread its wave;*  
 The *raging stream would have become our grave;*  
 The *surging flood, in proudly swelling roll,*  
 Most *surely would have overwhelmed us all.*
3. *Blest be the LORD who made us not their prey;*  
*As from the fowler's net a bird may flee,*  
*So from their broken snare did we go free.*  
*Our only help is in God's holy Name;*  
*He made the earth and all the heavenly frame.*

Pastoral Benediction: "Now may the body and blood of our Lord. . ."  
 Congregation: **Amen!**

†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 hast 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. *Psalm 136:1-3*

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

Pastoral Prayer: We give thanks to you, Almighty God, our heavenly Father, that you have again refreshed us this morning with so many wonderful gifts; we ask you now to grant us the grace to respond to your self-giving love with steadfast faith in you and fervent love toward one another; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age. Congregation: **Amen!**

## **Benediction**

†Hymn #489 "The Son of God goes forth to war" *Trinity Hymnal*

†Commission: *Matthew 28:18-20*

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24-26*

†A Parting Prayer: "God be with you till we meet again"

God be with you till we meet again,  
 By his counsels guide, uphold you,  
 With his sheep securely fold you —  
 God be with you till we meet again

God be with you till we meet again,  
 'Neath his wings protecting hide you,  
 Daily manna still provide you —  
 God be with you till we meet again

†Postlude & Greet One Another

# **Sermon Notes & Prayer Requests**

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## **Memorial Service**

For *Timothy Allen Werkema*

Born: May 22, 1959

Died: September 14, 2010

Join us this evening at 5:00 PM as we worship God and celebrate the life and faith of our brother in Christ, Tim Werkema. There will be a visitation in the sanctuary from 3:30 to 4:30 PM. And after the memorial service everyone is invited downstairs for a fellowship meal in honor of Tim.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

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*Nursery Volunteers, Thank You!*

**Today's Volunteers:**

Morning Service – Svezia, Tageson  
Sunday School – Volunteers Needed  
Evening Service – Pratt

**Next Sunday's Volunteers:**

Morning Service – Gibbs  
Sunday School – Gerstung  
Evening Service – Montgomery

**Tim Werkema's Tragic Death** — Our friend and brother in Christ, Tim Werkema, died this past Tuesday. Tim will be greatly missed by us at Providence. We were all enriched by his musical talents and diaconal service for many years. We will hold a memorial service for Tim this evening at 5 PM in the sanctuary. Tim's parents and family will be here beforehand for visitation from 3:30-4:30. After the memorial service everyone is invited to a meal downstairs in the fellowship hall. Food and drinks will be coordinated and provided by the PRPC Women in the Church.

**Developing a Biblical Worldview** — Join us in the fellowship hall for the new Adult Sunday school class on developing a biblical worldview. Audio recordings of the class and other resources can be found on the church's website in the "Members Only" section.

The **College and Career Sunday School Class** is meeting in the Shields' home. All young adults are welcome. Please see Pastor LeCroy or Steve Schlepfforst for more information.

The **WIC Annual Fall Meeting** will be held on September 25th, from 10-2 PM at PRPC. We'll have a "Second-Hand Fashion Show". Some of our ladies will be modeling their fashion-finds from Goodwill and other second-hand stores, to show us how realistic it is to dress well on a shoestring budget! Please sign up to bring sandwiches or a salad and let Lori know if you are interested in participating in the "show". All are welcome to join in.

**Church Family Work Day**—Please join us on Saturday, October 2 for a church work day. Shifts run from 8-10 and 10-12. Everyone is welcome to come! Wear work clothes and bring shovels, wheelbarrows (if possible) and other yard tools. See Steve Shaffer if you have any questions.

The **Greater St. Louis Life Chain** will be held on Sunday, October 3 from 1:30-2:30 PM. We will hold our pro life signs in front of our church on Sappington Rd to show our commitment to sanctity of life. A light lunch will be served immediately following Sunday school and a sign up sheet will be passed during the Sunday school hour next week.

## Announcements

**A Woman A Week** — Ladies, we hope you received information about “A Woman A Week”. If not, stop by the WIC table for an informational sheet. Beginning September 26th, and every week after, the name of the woman of the week will be on the WIC table. This will be a great way to pray for families, marriages and to honor each other.

**New WIC Blog** — There’s a new way for the ladies of church to stay in touch: [prpcwic.blogspot.com](http://prpcwic.blogspot.com). Go online and check it out!

**Welcome Baby MaggieAnne Pitts!** — Congratulations to the Pitts Family on their newest addition of Magnolia Anne Skye Pitts. MaggieAnne was born on Friday, September 3rd at 9:10 AM. She weighed 7 lbs, 4 oz and measured 19 inches.

**Missionary Care** — Pastor LeCroy and WIC missions coordinator Debbie Keane are looking for volunteers from each Parish group to help care for our missionaries. Please see either Tim or Debbie if you are interested.

**Nursery Duty** – A brand new nursery schedule is out on the WIC table and awaiting your name!

**Choir** — The fall Choir season has begun, and we’d love to have you join us! We rehearse on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:30 P.M. during the school year (September-May). We sing during morning worship several times a month and also during three special evening services: Reformation Sunday (Oct. 31), Christmas Lessons and Carols (Dec. 19), and Good Friday (Apr. 22). The choir is open to all adults (including college-age; please come!) and high school juniors and seniors. We always have room for new members, so come and give it a try! For more information, contact Bill Hoover (314-540-2427, [billhoover@fastmail.net](mailto:billhoover@fastmail.net)). P.S. - If you are an accomplished instrumentalist, please let Bill know; several of our pieces have instrumental accompaniment.

## Church Calendar

Wednesdays	7 PM Choir Rehearsal
Thursdays	9 AM WIC Bible Study
September 25	10 AM WIC Second Hand Fashion Show
October 2	Church Work Day
October 3	Greater St. Louis Life Chain
October 16	Harvest Party

# **Sermon Notes & Prayer Requests**

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# The Lord's Service Explained

## *Pentecost (Trinity) Season*

The Spring & Summer months of June, July, August, and September are considered part of a much longer period covering roughly half of the Christian year. This longer period may be called Pentecost Season (after Pentecost Sunday, June 4) or Trinity Season (from Trinity Sunday, June 11). This year we will call it Pentecost Season and number the Sundays accordingly. The season and readings generally focus on the discipleship and unity of the Church as she follows in the footsteps of her Lord. During this period the New Testament lessons are, in the main, taken one after another in sequence from the Gospel ministry of our Lord and the Acts of the Apostles. The early church father John Chrysostom (A.D. 407) comments on the significance of Pentecost:

“Pentecost is the reverse of the destruction of Babel. The tongues of fire from heaven are the living language which the Spirit teaches the saints, and which expresses the new life in their hearts; and this life is the life in the fellowship of love, fellowship with God in Christ, mutual fellowship with one another. When the Holy Spirit cleanses our hearts, he robs none of us of the individuality which God has given to each; but he sanctifies it, brings us into harmony with one another, and unites us as one in God. . . . All peoples shall hear the word of life in their own tongue, and all languages shall be filled with everlasting truth. This was foretold in the miracles of Pentecost day, when men of all nations heard the apostles speak to them in their own tongue. When the church shall have been made mature the saved of all different nations shall together be one blessed and holy family; and all tongues shall unite in one grand harmony in the celestial language of love, in which the church shall sing the son of God and the Lamb.”

**Red**, the color for Pentecost symbolizes the Holy Spirit's fiery presence. Pentecost hymns can be found in the *Trinity Hymnal* #244-255, but also #369-596.

**A Pentecost prayer:** Almighty God, who in smoke and fire upon Mt. Sinai gave the old law to Moses, and who this day revealed the New Covenant in the fire of the Spirit: Grant, we pray, that kindled by the same Spirit which you wondrously poured forth upon your apostles, we may receive with joy your commandment of love. We ask this through Christ the Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

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