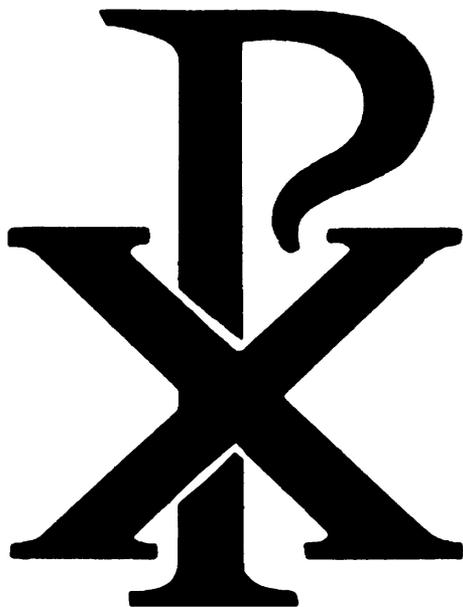


# **The Covenant Renewal Service**

**Providence Reformed  
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**Trinity Sunday**  
*June 3, 2012*

# 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. 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 tonight at 5 PM for our evening service and cook out afterwards on the church parking lot.

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.providencestlouis.com](http://www.providencestlouis.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.)

## The Chi Rho (*Front Cover*)



The Chi-Rho is the oldest known monogram of Jesus Christ. It is sometimes known as a "Christogram". The *chi* and the *rho* are the first two letters of the word Christ (*Christos*) in the Greek language. The *chi* (Χ) = ch and the *rho* (Ρ) = r. The Greek word *christos* translates the Hebrew word for "Messiah," which means "anointed one." Jesus was born to be the promised anointed Priest and King.

Today our Pulpit and Table paraments are **red**. The traditional color for Pentecost season is red, which symbolizes the Holy Spirit's fiery presence.

# The Morning Service

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The Lord's Day — June 3, 2012  
*Trinity Sunday*

**Preparation For Worship:** *Ephesians 2*

Organ - Mr. Bill Hoover

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor Joshua Anderson

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## The Entrance

Prelude

Mr. Bill Hoover, organ

Welcome & Announcements

[Kneeling] Silent Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship: *Ephesians 2:18-22*

Pastor Joshua Anderson

†Hymn #89 "Come, thou Almighty King"

*Trinity Hymnal*

†Salutation & Responsive Scripture

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

Congregation: **Amen!**

The Lord be with you!

*Ruth 2:4*

**And also with you!**

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of Hosts!

*Isaiah 6:3*

**The whole earth is full of God's Glory!**

†Pastor: Let us pray to the Lord:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father, send your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that he may rule and direct us according to your will, comfort us in all our temptations and afflictions, defend us from all error, and lead us into all truth; that we, being steadfast in the faith, may increase in love and in all good works, and in the end obtain everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age.**

**Amen!**

## Purification

Pastor: Dearly beloved brethren, let us draw near to God our Father with a honest heart and confess our sins, asking him to forgive us for Christ's sake: [Congregation Kneels]

Pastor: If we say we have no sin,

**We deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.**

If we confess our sins,

**He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins  
and to purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us therefore humbly confess our sins to God our Father:

**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. *Silent Prayer. Amen!***

†Pastor: Now stand, 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 good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to you, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, who with your only-begotten Son and the Holy Spirit are one God, one Lord. We praise you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and we worship your triune fullness of life and glory. 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 of Praise #89 "Holy, Holy, Holy"

The OT Reading: *Psalm 51*

*Trinity Hymnal*

Mr. Steve Schlepforst

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

The New Testament Reading: *Galatians 5:16-6:2*

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: *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*

Sermon Text: *Galatians 5:16-6:2*

Mr. Steve Schleppehorst

Sermon: **HOW TO BE A SINFUL CHRISTIAN**

Silent Reflection

†Hymn #92 “All glory be to thee, Most High”

*Trinity Hymnal*

## **The Tribute Offering**

We Offer Ourselves Through Tithes and Offerings

†[Hands Raised] The Doxology

*Trinity Hymnal*, p. xvi

## **The Sacrifice of Peace**

Prayer of Thanksgiving & Memorial

The Bread of Life

Hymn #361: “Zion, to thy Saviour singing”

*Trinity Hymnal*

Prayer of Thanksgiving & the Wine of Gladness

Pastoral Benediction: “Now may the body and blood of our Lord. . .”

†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: Almighty and everlasting God, who has given to us your servant’s grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of your eternal triune life: keep us steadfast in this faith, and evermore lead us into a fuller enjoyment of your divine fellowship; 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 #81 “A mighty Fortress is our God”

*Trinity Hymnal*

†Commission: *Matthew 28:18-20*

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24-26*

†Three-fold Amen

†Postlude

# Sermon Notes and Prayer Requests

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## The Evening Service

June 3, 2012 – 5:00 PM

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Scripture Reading: *Psalm 31* Pastor Joshua Anderson

†Hymn #1 (Ps 100) “All people that on earth” *Trinity Hymnal*

Opening Prayer

Scripture Reading: *Galatians 5:22-25 & 1 Corinthians 13:1-13*

Sermon: **THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS LOVE** Pastor Joshua Anderson

### II. EXPOSITION OF THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

†Hymn #141 (Ps 23) “The King of love” *Trinity Hymnal*

Corporate Prayer

†Hymn #341 “All praise to thee, My God” *Trinity Hymnal*

†Benediction

†Postlude

Cookout Following the Service

## The Heidelberg Catechism – Q. 53

Q. What do you believe concerning “the Holy Spirit”?

- A. First, he, as well as the Father and the Son, is eternal God. Second, he has been given to me personally, so that, by true faith, he makes me share in Christ and all his blessings, comforts me, and remains with me forever.

# **Announcements**

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## **Today's Nursery Volunteers:**

Morning Service – Shaffer

Evening – John Keane Family

## **Next Week's Nursery Volunteers**

Morning Service – Boeve

Evening Prayer Service – Jason Carter Family

**Summer Sermon Series** — This summer, Pastors Meyers and Anderson will be preaching a sermon series during the evening service exploring the Fruit of the Spirit listed by the Apostle Paul in Galatians 5 as a paradigm for Christian Discipleship. Beginning today, these evening services will usually be followed by a church cookout to provide opportunities for fellowship and community. Please consider attending evening services regularly this summer!

**Annual Pig Roast** — Please join us for our annual Pentecost Pig Roast on June 10 after our evening service which begins at 5 PM. Bring your best side dish and dessert (include serving utensils) to share and drinks and chairs for yourself.

**VBS** — This year's VBS, Olympion, will be held July 23-27 from 9:00 AM-noon. Classes will be offered for children ages 3 through grade 7. We will be learning about Joshua, the great champion of the Bible who points us to Jesus. So, mark your calendar and tell your friends!

**Congregational Meeting** — Information from the congregational meeting and Pastor Meyers' presentation on the session's future planning meetings can be found on [providencestlouis.com](http://providencestlouis.com) under the "Members" section. If you don't have a user ID and password, please contact Pastor Meyers ([jeffmeyers@me.com](mailto:jeffmeyers@me.com)). If you have not been receiving the weekly PRPC email announcements, please let Pastor Meyers know which email address to include in the list.

## **Church Calendar**

June 10	Annual Pig Roast
July 23-27	VBS
August 3-4	Rummage Sale

# **Congratulations, Covenant Children!**

## **Many Thanks, Staff!**

Congratulations to our Covenant children who received plaques and/or grade memory awards last Sunday. The plaques and grade memory awards were given for excellent memory work completed in scripture. The Christian Education Committee is grateful for the fidelity and hard work of the children and the parents and we especially appreciate the labor of love the teachers have bestowed upon our children. Our Sunday school teachers were:

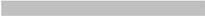
Ages 2-3	Kathy Hoegemann
Ages 4-5/Kg	Linda Wolff and Kathy Young
Grades 1-2	Richard and Anne Hiers
Grade 3	Mark and Jennifer Horne
Grades 4-6	Boys - Allan Wamsley
Grades 4-6	Girls - Donna Carter
Grades 7-8	Brookie Moore
High School	Matt Teeselink

Our faithful music leaders were Bill Hoover, Tim Weston, and Lisa Grove. Special thanks to Deborah Shields, Memory Listener Chairman.

Our **fall Sunday school teachers** will be:

Ages 2-4	Kathy Hoegemann
Ages 5-1st	Linda Wolff
Grades 2-3	Annie Hiers
Grades 4-6	Boys - Ryan VanHorn
Grades 4-6	Girls - Melanie Greeno
Grades 7-8	Brookie Moore
High School	Lane Greeno
2's-K Music Leaders: Matt & Lisa Grove	
1st-6th Music Leader: Bill Hoover with Orianna Wood helping	

# **Sermon Notes and Prayer Requests**



# The Lord's Service Explained

## *The Special Presence of God?*

God has promised to be present with his people in a special manner when they gather on the appointed day of worship. The one who skips church for the golf course or shopping mall or State park may not argue from God's omnipresence to justify his not being in church. Sure, God is present on the golf course, just as he is present in hell. But this general presence of God doesn't do the people in hell much good. They suffer "torment. . . in the presence of the Lamb" (Rev. 14:10). This means that God is present in heaven and hell, but he is not present *in the same way* in each of these locations. There is a huge difference. His presence means torment for one, life and blessing for the other. What does this teach us about God's presence on the Lord's Day?

Even if we cannot define it precisely, God is nonetheless present in a heightened special sense when his people gather as the church on the Lord's Day. For one thing, he is present there "for us." This is the place and time where he gathers his people around the Word and Sacraments. He has promised to be there for us when his people gather. It is not so much that God was not present in, say, China, when the pillar and fire led the people of Israel out of Egypt or when his presence filled the Tabernacle upon its completion; rather, the Lord was at these appointed places in a special, life-giving way.

The people of Israel were given singular signs of God's special presence as they gathered around Mt. Sinai and the Tabernacle. Similarly, it is not that God is absent from the food court in the mall on Sunday; rather, he has promised to be present in a special way, the way of salvation and blessing, at the Communion Table in church. The bread and wine are singular signs designed to assure us of his special, gracious presence with us. To make this personal, God has not promised to be in the mall on Sunday morning for you. Actually, if you refuse to heed the Lord's summons to gather with his church, he may be present there against you so that you could very well experience his judgment and curse, rather than his promise of blessing, life, and salvation.

Moreover, when we are in God's special presence every week, receiving from him his promise through his Word and Sacrament, we can go forth out of church into the world with the full assurance that God will be with us and for us wherever we may be during the week. Without being in the Lord's special presence we have no assurance of his omnipresent help in every situation and location (see Gen. 3:8; 4:16; Exod. 33:14-15; Deut. 4:37; Deut. 12:7, 18; 14:23, 26; 15:20; Judges 18:6; 2 Kings 13:23; 17:18-23; Matt. 18:20; 1 Cor. 5:4; 11:18ff.; etc.).

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