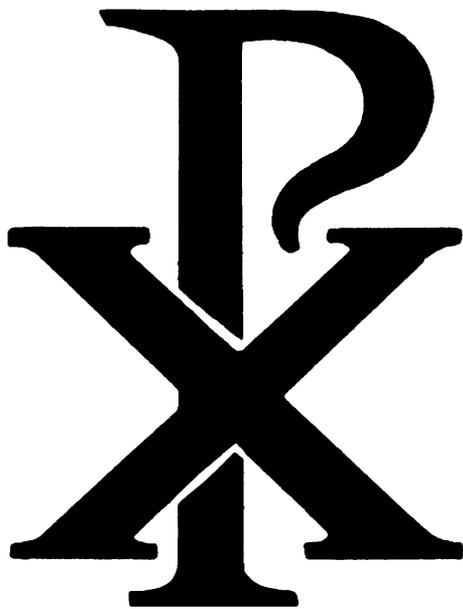


The Covenant Renewal Service

**Providence Reformed
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Pentecost Season

August 12, 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 for our evening Prayer Service at 5 PM, followed by a cookout 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.

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

The Lord's Day — August 12, 2012
Pentecost Season

Preparation For Worship: *Psalm 99*

Organ - Mrs. Joanie Harris

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

The Entrance

Prelude

Mr. Bill Hoover, organ

Welcome & Announcements

[Kneeling] Silent Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

Pastor Joshua Anderson

Pastor: Let us rise and worship God, in the Name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: **Amen!**

†Hymn #132 "Wondrous King, all-glorious"

Trinity Hymnal

†Salutation & Responsive Scripture

The Lord be with you!

Ruth 2:4

And also with you!

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,

Psalm 92:1-2

To sing praises to your Name, O Most High!

To declare your steadfast love in the morning,

And your faithfulness by night.

†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: Dearly beloved brethren, if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and righteous, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Accordingly, the Scriptures move us in many

places to acknowledge and confess our many transgressions and sins. Therefore I exhort all who are here today to accompany me with a pure heart and a humble voice, unto the throne of heavenly grace.

Come let us worship and bow down.

Psalm 95:6

And kneel before the Lord our Maker [Kneel]

Let us confess our sins:

Most merciful God, I confess to you that I am by nature sinful and unclean, and that I am miserably helpless before my adversaries. I have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that I am not able to understand, but which are all known to you. For this reason, I flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your forgiveness and deliverance, through my Lord Jesus Christ. *Silent Prayer. Amen!*

†Pastor: Now arise and hear the good news!

Brothers and sisters, your sins are forgiven and your lives are rescued in our Lord Jesus Christ. Believe this and rejoice!

The Rite of Christian Baptism

Patrick Henry Robert Carter

Scripture Reading: *Matthew 3:11*

Parental Vows: *Bryan & Melanie Carter*

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?

Christian Baptism: *Patrick Henry Robert Carter*

Prayer: Elder John Keane

†Hymn of Praise "Be thou my vision"

1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that thou art--
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.
2. Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word;
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I thy true Son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
3. Be thou my battle shield, sword for my fight;
Be thou my dignity, thou my delight,
Thou my soul's shelter, thou my high tow'r;
Raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.
4. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and thou only, first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art.
5. High King of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Text: Irish hymn c. 750; SLANE, Irish melody; Tr. Mary E. Byrne, 1905; Vers. Eleanor H. Hull, 1912 Arr. David Evans, 1927

Ascension

Readings for the Eleventh Sunday After Pentecost

The Hebrew Scriptures: *Deuteronomy 32:1-21*

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

The Epistle Reading: *Romans 2:13-24*

This is the Word of the Lord!

Thanks be to God!

†The Gospel Reading: *Matthew 21:28-46*

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

Praise be to you, O Christ!

†*The Gloria Patri*

Sermon Text: *Acts 28:11-30*

Pastor Jeff Meyers

Sermon: **THIS IS WHERE IT ENDS AND BEGINS**

Silent Personal Reflection and Meditation

The Tribute Offering

We Offer Ourselves Through Tithes and Offerings

†[Hands Raised] The Doxology

Trinity Hymnal, p. xvi

†Prayer for the Church and World

The Sacrifice of Peace

Prayer of Thanksgiving & the Bread of Life

Communion Hymn: #537 "What shall I render to my God"

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: O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your eternal Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of the fulness of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Congregation: **Amen!**

Benediction

†Hymn: #535 "How good it is to thank the Lord"

Trinity Hymnal

†Commission: *Matthew 28:18-20*

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24-26*

†Three-fold Amen

†Postlude

Announcements

Today's Nursery Volunteers:

Morning Service – Wolff
Evening Prayer Service – Hoegemann

Next Week's Nursery Volunteers

Morning Service – Denney
Evening Prayer Service – Pratt

Bridal Shower — Ladies, join us for a bridal shower for Julie Meyers on Saturday, September 8 at 10:30 AM at PRPC. Julie and Danny are registered at Bed, Bath & Beyond (IKEA would also be appreciated!) See Donna Carter if you would like to contribute to a group gift or Lori Shaffer if you would like to assist with the shower.

Morning Service & Sunday School Times — This fall we will continue our current worship time of 10 AM. Sunday school will resume on September 9th beginning at 11:40 and end at 12:30. The session will reevaluate this schedule at the end of the year.

Directory Addition — Please welcome Jeremy & Brandy Sexton and their children: Aiden, Alex, Riley, Remy, and Oliver to PRPC!
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brandysexton@gmail.com; Jeremy's email: sexton555@gmail.com

Evening Prayer

Sunday, August 12, 2012 – Pentecost Season
Piano – Mrs. Chelsea Stockton Ayres

Scripture Reading: *Psalm 37* Pastor Jeff Meyers
†Hymn #569 (*Psalm 37*) "Forever trusting" *Trinity Hymnal*
Opening Prayer
Scripture Reading: *Galatians 5:22-23* Pastor Joshua Anderson
Sermon: **THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT IS FAITHFULNESS**
VII. EXPOSITION OF THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT
†Hymn #27 "Great is thy Faithfulness" *Trinity Hymnal*
Prayer Requests & Prayer
Deacons' Fund Collection
†Hymn #295 "The ends of all the earth shall hear" *Trinity Hymnal*
†Benediction
†Cookout and Fellowship on the Church Parking Lot & Lawn

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