

# **The Covenant Renewal Service**

**Providence Reformed  
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**The Lord's Day**

*July 22, 2018*

# 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.

All Sunday School classes are suspended for the summer months. You are invited to stay after the service for a bit and enjoy coffee and conversation down in the Fellowship Hall. Join us tonight for our Evening Prayer Service at 6 PM.

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 Anchor (*Front Cover*)



The anchor is one of the earliest Christian symbols. Because of its great importance in navigation, the anchor was regarded in ancient times as a symbol of safety. The church, therefore, in adopting the anchor as a symbol of hope, merely gave a new and higher signification to a familiar emblem. For us, the virtue of hope occupies a place of great importance. Jesus is the unfailing hope of all who trust in Him. The Epistle to the Hebrews connects hope with the symbol of the anchor. We have "hope" set before us "as an anchor of the soul, sure and firm" (Hebrews 9:19-20).

This is Trinity Season, so the color of the Table cloth and pulpit scarf is **green**, symbolizing life, growth, and the maturation of Jesus kingdom.

# The Morning Service

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The Lord's Day — July 22, 2018  
*Trinity Season*

**Preparation For Worship: Psalm 8**

Organ - Mr. Bill Hoover

Welcome & Announcements - Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

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## The Entrance

Prelude

Mr. Bill Hoover, organ

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Jeff Meyers

[*Kneeling*] Silent Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship: *Zephaniah 1:7*

Mr. Caleb Skogen

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 #3 (*Psalm 117*) "From all that dwell" *Trinity Hymnal* (2nd Tune)

†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.**

†Leader: 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

Leader: Dearly beloved brethren, our Lord has invited us to draw near to him with an honest heart. He has graciously promised to receive all those who come to him with heavy burdens of guilt and shame.

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.

**And kneel before the Lord our Maker** [*Congregation kneels*]

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

**O God, our heavenly Father, I confess to you that I have grievously sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that I am unable to fully understand, but which are all known to you. I am in need of deliverance from your enemies and from my own infirmities. For this reason, I flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your forgiveness and deliverance, through my Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen!**

†Leader: Now lift up your heads, arise, 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 and our greatest joy 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 of Praise: #127 "Let us love, and sing,"

*Trinity Hymnal*

The Hebrew Scripture: *Genesis 1:26-31*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

The New Testament Reading: *Hebrews 2:5-9*

This is the Word of the Lord!

**Thanks be to God!**

†The Gospel Reading: *Matthew 21:12-17*

This is the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ!

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

†We Confess our faith: The *Te Deum*

*Anglo-Genevan Psalter*

**O God, we praise Thee, we acknowledge Thee as Lord.**

**Eternal Father, Thou art everywhere adored.**

**The cherubim and seraphim their homage show Thee:**

**“O Thou Lord God of hosts art holy, holy, holy!**

**Both heav’n and earth are filled with Thy majestic splendor.”**

**To Thee all angels loud and ceaseless praises render.**

**Thy prophets’ and apostles’ glorious company,**

**The martyrs robed in white—all sing their praise to Thee.**

**Thy holy catholic Church in worship stands before Thee,**

**Confessing Thee: the Father, infinite in glory;**

**Thy true and only Son, worthy of veneration;**

**The Holy Spirit, source of strength and consolation.**

**Thou, Christ, art King of glory, radiant is Thy throne;**

**Thou art the heav’nly Father’s everlasting Son.**

**Yet Thou didst not despise the virgin’s womb, O Savior,**

**When Thou didst take upon Thee mankind to deliver.**

**Thou has defeated death and Satan’s power infernal,**

**That all believers might inherit life eternal.**

**Thou art enthroned in glory at God’s own right hand**

**Till Thou shalt come as judge and we before Thee stand.**

**We therefore pray Thee, grant Thy help to those who serve Thee,**

**Whom Thou hast with Thy blood redeemed in Thy great mercy.**

**With all Thy saints, O Lord, wilt Thou Thy servant number;**

**O save Thy people, Thy inheritance remember!**

**We bless Thee day by day, we praise thy holy Name;**

**Thy power and glory we from age to age acclaim.**

**Keep us from sin and lead us not into temptation.**

**Have mercy on us, Lord; hear Thou our supplication.**

**Let us be with Thy grace and steadfast love surrounded.**

**In Thee we've trusted; we shall never be confounded.**

Latin text attributed to Nicetas, late 4th century.  
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Sermon Text: *Psalm 8*

Pastor Jeff Meyers

Sermon: **THE DIGNITY AND GLORY OF MAN**

**VIII. EXPOSITION OF THE PSALMS**

†Psalm 8

From *Trinity Hymnal* #107

**Yahweh, Lord, your glorious Name  
All your wondrous works proclaim;  
In the heav'ns with radiant signs  
Evermore your glory shines.  
Infant lips you have ordained  
Wrath and vengeance to restrain;  
Children's praise fulfills your will,  
Mighty enemies to still.**

**Moon and stars in shining height  
Nightly tell their Maker's might;  
When your wondrous heav'ns I scan,  
Then I know how graced is man.  
What is man that he should be  
Loved and visited by thee,  
Raised to an exalted height,  
Crowned with honor in your sight.**

**With dominion crowned he stands  
O'er the creatures of your hands;  
All to him subjection yield  
In the sea and air and field.  
Yahweh, Lord, your glorious Name  
All your wondrous works proclaim;  
Yours the Name of matchless worth,  
Excellent in all the earth.**

## **The Tribute Offering**

We Offer Ourselves Through Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

† [*Hands Raised*] The Doxology

*Trinity Hymnal*, p. xvi

†Offertory Prayer

Heavenly Father, as you have given yourself to us in the person of your dear Son, so we now offer up to you ourselves through our tithes and offerings. Accept these gifts in union with the sacrifice of Christ our Lord. Grant that they may be used for the advancement of your kingdom throughout the world.

Congregation: **Amen!**

†The *Kyrie*

0 give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

**For everlasting is his lovingkindness!**

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**For everlasting is his lovingkindness!**

For the peace that is from above, and for strength and blessing, let us pray to the Lord.

**O Lord, have mercy on us.**

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being of the churches of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy.**

For this holy household, and for those who in faith, piety, and fear of God offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**O Lord, be gracious unto us.**

Hear us, help us, deliver us, and defend us, O Triune God, by your grace.

**Amen!**

## **The Sacrifice of Peace**

Prayer of Thanksgiving & the Bread of Life

Hymn #229 (*Psalms 110*) "Unto my Lord" *Trinity Hymnal* (Tune of #4)

Prayer of Thanksgiving & the Wine of Gladness

†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 Lord, our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God; you have graciously drawn us this morning into your glorious and life-giving presence; now defend us with your mighty power; and grant that this week we fall into no grievous sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings, being ordered by your governance, may be righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, age after age.

Congregation: Amen!

## Benediction

Closing Hymn "God be with you till we meet again"

♯ Unison

1 God be with you till we meet a - gain; by his  
 2 God be with you till we meet a - gain; 'neath his  
 3 God be with you till we meet a - gain; when life's  
 4 God be with you till we meet a - gain; keep love's

coun - sels guide, up - hold you, with his sheep se -  
 wings pro - tect - ing hide you, dai - ly man - na  
 per - ils thick con - found you, put his arm un -  
 ban - ner float - ing o'er you, smite death's threat - ening

cure - ly fold you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
 still pro - vide you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
 fail - ing round you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.  
 wave be - fore you: God be with you till we meet a - gain.

†Commission: *Matthew 28:18-20*

†Benediction: *Numbers 6:24-26*

†Three-fold Amen & Postlude

# Announcements

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## **Nursery Volunteers Today:**

Morning Service – Liessman & Ginny Sturlaugson  
Sunday School – Sunday School is suspended for the summer

## **Nursery Volunteers Next Week:**

Morning Service – Alan & Marylynn Handermann

**Evening Service Tonight** — Join us tonight at 6 PM for our Evening Prayer Service.

**Baby Shower for Anna More** — Ladies, please mark your calendars for a Baby Shower for Anna More on Thursday, August 2 at 7:00 P.M. at the home of Carol Moore. Anna is registered at Amazon and Buy, Buy, Baby. Please see Barb Hoover or the WIC Table to sign the clipboard to attend and/or provide help. Thank you!

**Summer WIC Event** — There will be a book discussion dinner Saturday, July 28, 6:30 pm at the home of Debbie Keane, 130 Tall Oaks Dr, Eureka. We will have an extended version of our regular book discussions including dinner, games, & prizes, along with the fun and lively discussion that we always enjoy! Plan to come - even if it's your first time! We will be discussing Tim Keller's Prodigal God. Don't miss out on the fun! Save the date now! Sign up sheet will be available July 10.

**Men's Summer Discussion Fellowship** — The men's summer Bible study/fellowship continues on Wednesday, July 18. The meeting place will be announced via email. **We are reading and discussing of John Frame's new book** *Christianity Considered: A Guide for Skeptics and Seekers*.

**Facebook & Website** — Check out our Facebook page for links to interesting articles and other information. Our church website is [providencestlouis.com](http://providencestlouis.com). You can find sermon files and the directory there in the "members only" section. If you'd like the password to that section, please contact Pastor Meyers (and you don't need to be a member to get the password, just a regular attender).

**Moving Help** — Caleb Little will be packing up the truck at 5053 Westminster Place to move to Baylor University on Saturday, August 4th at 9 AM. Please contact [Caleb](#) if you can help (219-916-1659).

## **Church Calendar**

Today	Evening Service at 6 PM (VBS Movie)
Thursday, July 26	Rooted Meeting 7 PM
Saturday, July 28	WIC Book Discussion
Thursday, Aug 2	Baby Shower for Anna More
Sunday, August 5	Fellowship Brunch after morning service

## **The Evening Prayer Service**

July 22, 2018 – 6 PM

Scripture Reading: *Mark 6:1-13*

Pastor Jeffrey Meyers

†Hymn #35 (*Romans 8*) “If God is on our side” *Anglo-Genevan Psalter*

Opening Prayer & Hymn Singing

Scripture Reading & Message: *Mark 6:1-13*

Pastor Meyers

Prayer Requests & Prayer

†Hymn #251 “Come, O Creator Spirit blest”

*Trinity Hymnal*

†Benediction

# **The Lord's Service Explained**

## **What is the Kyrie?**

Most weeks we sing a prayer that is called the *Kyrie* (pronounced keer-ee-ay'). This is a very ancient Christian litany (responsive prayer) that has its origins in the Hebrew Psalter. The petition "Lord, have mercy" (Greek: *kyrie, eleison*) appears more than 30 times in the Psalms.

There is a common misconception that the *Kyrie* is confession of sin. And so, at first glance, it appears to be in the wrong place in the service. Didn't we already confess our sins and ask for God's mercy at the beginning of the service? Yes, we did.

The *Kyrie* is not another confession of sin. We are not asking God for forgiveness at this point in the service. The *Kyrie* comes *after* our confession of sin and God's declaration of forgiveness. Rather, the *Kyrie* is a prayer offered by us who have been forgiven and who now stand as priests interceding for the world, asking that God would be merciful to his Church and to the whole human race.

In Matthew 15 and Mark 7, the Canaanite woman petitioned Jesus with "Lord, have mercy" to heal her daughter. On her lips, it was not so much a confession of sin, but a plea for God to have mercy on her in her time of great need. This is what the Bride of Christ is doing when we pray the *Kyrie*. We are asking our Lord to be merciful to us and the world.

## **Catechism of the Week** **The Westminster Shorter Catechism**

Q. 98 What is prayer?

A. Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to his will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

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