

# *The Lord's Service*

August 25th, 2013

Fourteenth Sunday After Pentecost

*God is Renewing Covenant With His People*

*God Calls Us and Cleanses Us*

Prelude            Sheila Perry

Exhortation:            The Power of Labels

*Interlude*

Call to Worship (*Please Stand*)

Pastor: Let us worship God, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.     *Matthew 18:20; 28:19*

**People: Amen.**

Salutation: **The Lord be with you!**     *Ruth 2:4*

And also with you!

I rejoiced when they said to me, "Let us go into the house of the Lord!"

*Psalm 122:1-2*

**Our feet are standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!**

Our help is in the Name of the Lord.     *Psalm 121:1-2*

**Maker of heaven and earth.**

Pastor: Dearly beloved brethren...accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice, unto the throne of heavenly grace.

Come, let us worship and bow down.     *Psalm 95:6*

**All: And kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

*(Let all who are able kneel)*

Pastor: Eternal God,

**People:** In whom we live and move and have our being, our heavenly Father, your face is hidden from us because of our sins. Cleanse us, we pray, from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. Grant that we may, in lowliness and meekness, draw near to you. Confessing our faults and confiding in your grace, we look for your grace and mercy through Christ, your Son, our Lord. Amen.

*(Continue Kneeling for Silent Confession)*

Assurance of Pardon:

*(Rise and Hear the Good News of God's Forgiveness)*

Pastor: Know surely, your sins are forgiven through Jesus Christ our Lord (Acts 13:38).

**All: Thanks be to God. Our sins are forgiven in Jesus' name. Amen!**

**Hymns of Faith:** (*Please Stand*)

Psalm 84, How Lovely, Lord of Hosts, to Me, pg. 120

People: Amen!

Psalm 40, I Waited for the LORD, pg. 74

*God Consecrates and Raises Up to Heaven*

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

**People: We lift them up to the Lord!**

\*Responsive Psalm

Ps 66:1-9

Pastor: Shout joyfully to God, all the earth;

**People: Sing the glory of His name;**

Make His praise glorious.

**Say to God, "How awesome are Your works!**

So great is Your power that Your enemies cringe before You.

**All the earth will worship You;**

And will sing praises to You;

**They will sing praises to Your name."**

Come and see the works of God,

**Awesome works on behalf of the sons of man.**

He turned the sea into dry land;

**They passed through the river on foot;**

There let us rejoice in Him!

**He rules by His might forever;**

His eyes keep watch on the nations;

**Let not the rebellious exalt themselves.**

Bless our God, O peoples,

**Make the sound of His praise be heard,**

Who places our lives among the living,

**And does not allow our feet to stumble.**

**All: Amen! Yes! Amen**

Confession of the Nicene Creed (*Please be seated*)

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of  
heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from  
Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one  
Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from  
the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was  
crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was  
buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the  
Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right  
hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the  
living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who  
proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and  
the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the  
world to come. Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & Sung Lord's Prayer (see hymnal's back cover)

Please respond at the end of each section:

Pastor: Father, hear our prayer!

**People: For Your Steadfast Love Endures Forever!**

Reading of God's Word **(Please Stand)**

First Reading: Joshua 1:1-9

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Epistle Reading: Philippians 1:25-30

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Reading in the Midst of the People: Matthew 10:26-39

Pastor: The Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Hymn of Faith: Come Down, O Love Divine, pg. 278

**People: Amen!**

Sermon: Pastor Uri Brito

Text: Philippians 1:21-24

Title: Philippians: A Journey in Joy: Life After Death

Offertory: (Ex. 23:15; 34:20; Dt. 16:16)

Pastor: Let us worship God with our tithes and offerings.

Hymn: Fill Thou My Life (Insert)

**People: Amen.**

Offertory Prayer

*God Communes With Us*

Celebration of Holy Communion *(Please be seated)*

Passing of the Bread (*"The Lord be with you" "The Lord bless you"*)

Passing of the Wine (*"The Peace of Christ be with you" "And also with you"*)

Congregational Response *Gloria Patri*

*(Please Stand with Hands Raised)*

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, A-men, A-men.

*God Commissions Us*

The Lord's Commission *Matthew 28:18-20*

Pastor: Our mouths will speak the praise of the Lord!

**People: Let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.**

**AMEN!** *Psalm 145:21*

Closing Hymn: Psalm 98, O Sing a New Song, pgs. 134-135

**People: Amen!**

Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

Threefold Amen

*Pastor: Go in Peace to Love and to Serve our Risen Christ!*

*All: Amen!*

## Postlude

### *Welcome*

In the name of Christ Jesus our Lord, we at Providence Church open wide our doors and welcome all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; all who mourn and long for comfort; all who struggle and desire victory; all who sin and need the Savior; all who are strangers and want fellowship; all who hunger and thirst for righteousness; all who are poor in spirit and desire the riches of the gospel; all who will come to Jesus Christ in living faith and repentance, looking to him as both Liberator and Lord. If you are a visitor of Providence Church, we are grateful that you have joined us in our highest privilege, worshipping the Triune God. We hope you stay and talk with us after the service so that we can get to know you better. If you would like to talk with Pastor Brito throughout the week, please feel free either to call him at 850.377.3049 or to email him at [uriosou@gmail.com](mailto:uriosou@gmail.com). Please visit our website at [www.providencepensacola.org](http://www.providencepensacola.org)

### Sermon Text:

<sup>25</sup> Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, <sup>26</sup> so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

<sup>27</sup> Only let your manner of life be worthy<sup>[a]</sup> of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, <sup>28</sup> and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God. <sup>29</sup> For it has been granted to you that for the sake of Christ you should not only believe in him but also suffer for his sake, <sup>30</sup> engaged in the same conflict that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

### Children's Questions:

- Who came to Adam and Eve in the Garden?
- Was Paul hopeful that he would be delivered from prison?
- What words come to mind when you think of Paul's imprisonment?

### Outline:

- Introduction: We are Life-Seekers
- Vss. 25-26 – *Paul's Assurance*
- Paul believes he will see the Philippians again.
- Paul did not reconcile himself with death.
- Paul's coming is a picture of the coming of Jesus to meet with us.
- Vss. 27-30
- Paul cautions them against division.
- The Christian life is a life of warfare.
- The consequences of the life of faith.
- The authority of the Church
- The gift of suffering

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### Announcements:

Fellowship Meal with Christ Church, 8<sup>th</sup> of September  
Family Advance Conference, Nov. 7-10th

