

The Lord's Service

October 20th, 2013

Twenty Second Sunday After Pentecost

God is Renewing Covenant With His People

God Calls Us and Cleanses Us

Prelude Lydia Harris

Exhortation: Giving Thanks for the Little Things

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 2, Why Do The Heathen Nations Vainly Rage?,
pgs. 4-5

People: Amen.

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

People: Amen.

God Consecrates and Raises Up to Heaven

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

*Responsive Psalm

Psalm 42

Pastor: For the director. *Maskil*. By the sons of Korah.

As a deer pants for streams of water,

So my soul pants for you, God.

My soul has thirsted for God, for the Mighty One of life.

When will I come and appear before God?

My tears have been my bread day and night,

While they say to me all the day, "Where is your God?"

These things I remember and I pour out my soul

**For I went in the crowd; I walked with them to the house of
God, with a voice of joy and praise: a festal uproar.**

Why are you cast down, my soul, and making an uproar within me?

**Wait for God, because I will yet praise him for the
salvation of His face.**

God, my soul is cast down within me. Therefore I will remember you

**From the land of Jordan and the Hermons, from Mount
Mizar.**

Deep to deep calls at the voice of your waterspouts;

All your breakers and your rollers have passed over me.

Daily, Yahweh will command his loyalty

**And in the night his song is with me, a prayer to the
Mighty One of my life.**

I will say to the Mighty One, my rock, "Why have you forgotten me?"

**Why do I walk about mourning because of the
enemy's oppression?**

With a deadly wound in my bones my foes have taunted me,

By saying to me all the day, "Where is your God?"

Why are you cast down, my soul? And why are you making an uproar within me?

**Wait for God because I will yet praise Him as the
salvations of my face and my God.**

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: Lamentations 1:12-22

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

Epistle Reading: Philippians 2:25-30

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

Gospel Reading in the Midst of the People: Luke 22:39-46

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

Hymn of Faith: Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right, pg. 334

People: Amen!

Sermon: Pastor Uri Brito

Text: Philippians 2:25-30

Title: Philippians: Journey into Joy, XIII, The Death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Epaphroditus

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

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

Hymn: What Feast of Love, 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: Rejoice, the Lord is King, pg. 326

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 uriesou@gmail.com. Please visit our website at www.providencepensacola.org

Children's Questions:

I. Listen carefully to the name "Epaphroditus" in the sermon. How many times is it mentioned? and what is one characteristic that stands out?

II. How can we be more like Epaphroditus at home?

Sermon Outline:

I. The Humanity of Paul

II. The Apostolic Approval of Epaphroditus

III. Epaphroditus' Apostolic Role

IV. Our Liturgy to One Another

V. The Death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Epaphroditus

VI. Self-Sacrifice and the Return of Epaphroditus

VII. Honoring Self-Sacrifice in the Church

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Announcements:

Preaching at Waterfront Rescue Mission October 23rd

CHANGE: Iquirers Class – November 2nd

Picnic with Christ Church – November 3rd

Family Advance Conference, Nov. 7-10th

Christmas Eve Service with Christ Church, December 24th