

The Lord's Service

April 27th 2014

2nd Sunday of Easter

God is Renewing Covenant With His People

God Calls Us and Cleanses Us

Prelude Lydia Harris
Exhortation: The Minister is at the Disposal of the Church

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!

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen Indeed! *1 Corinthians 15*

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: Most merciful God,

People: We confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we are most miserably helpless before our adversaries. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; not only in outward transgressions, but also in secret thoughts and desires that we are not able to understand, but which are all known to you. For this reason, we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your forgiveness and deliverance, through our Lord Jesus Christ. 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 92, It's Good to Thank the Lord, pg. 121
People: Amen.

Holy, Holy, Holy, pg. 305
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 148

Pastor: Praise Yah!

People: Hallelu-Yah!

Praise Yahweh from the heavens:

Praise Him in the heights!

Praise Him, all His angels!

Praise Him, all His hosts!

Praise Him, sun and moon!

Praise Him, all shining stars!

Praise Him, heavens of heavens,

And the waters that are above the heavens!

Let them praise Yahweh's name,

For He commanded and they were created.

He has also established them forever, everlastingly.

He gave a decree and it will not pass away.

Praise Yahweh from the earth:

Sea monsters and all deeps,

Fire and hail,

Snow and clouds,

Stormy wind,

Fulfilling His word;

Mountains and all hills,

Fruit trees and all cedars;

Beasts and all cattle,

Swarming things and winged birds;

Kings of the earth and all peoples,

Princes and all judges of the earth,

Both young men and virgins,

Old men and children.

Let them praise Yahweh's name,

For exalted is His name alone.

His majesty is above earth and heaven,

And He has lifted up a horn for His people,

Praise for all His beloved ones,

For the sons of Israel, a people near to Him.

Praise Yah!

All: Hallelu-Yah!

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: Acts 4:29-42

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

Epistle Reading: I Peter 1:3-9

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

Gospel Reading in the Midst of the People: John 20:19-31

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

Hymn of Faith: The Strife is O'er, The Battle Done, Insert

People: Amen!

Sermon: Pastor Alan Stout

Text: John 20:19-31

Title: New Creation - Continued Commission

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

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

Hymn: Fairest Lord Jesus, pg. 300

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: Now, Let the Vault of Heaven Resound, pgs. 272-272

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:

- a) Where are the Disciples the evening of the Resurrection?
- b) What does Jesus say to the Disciples when he arrives?
- c) Many people refer to Thomas as the doubter. What else might he be called?

Sermon Outline:

- I. The Spirit of God and the New Creation
 - a. The new week
 - b. Peace from chaos
 - c. The Spirit of God creates anew
- II. The Creation continues and is perfected
 - a. Peace is the new normal
 - b. We are a resurrected people
 - c. Thomas the believer
 - d. Thomas the confessor
- III. You are commissioned

Announcements:

Service with Christ Church on the 4th of May at Trinitas - Dr. Roy Atwood (President of NSA in Moscow, ID) will be ministering in Word to both of our congregations. Picnic to follow Covenant Renewal.

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