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A Reformed Evangelical Congregation

The Lord's Service

April 23rd, 2017

2nd Sunday of Easter

Welcome

In the name of Jesus Christ 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 we can get to know you better. If you would like to talk to Pastor Brito throughout the week, please feel free to either call him at 850.377.3049 or to email him at uriesou@gmail.com. Please visit our website at www.providencepensacola.org.

Easter Lesson:

"The point of the resurrection...is that the present bodily life is not valueless just because it will die...What you do with your body in the present matters because God has a great future in store for it...What you do in the present—by painting, preaching, singing, sewing, praying, teaching, building hospitals, digging wells, campaigning for justice, writing poems, caring for the needy, loving your neighbor as yourself—will last into God's future. These activities are not simply ways of making the present life a little less beastly, a little more bearable, until the day when we leave it behind altogether (as the hymn so mistakenly puts it...). They are part of what we may call building for God's kingdom."

 N.T. Wright, Surprised by Hope: Rethinking Heaven, the Resurrection, and the Mission of the Church

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God is Renewing His Covenant With His People God Calls Us And Cleanses Us

Prelude: Easter Choir

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

People: And also with you!

Christ is Risen!

He is Risen Indeed! Hallelujah!

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, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Therefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to 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

People: And kneel before the Lord our Maker.

(Let all who are able kneel)

Pastor: Most merciful God,

All: We confess to you that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that 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 grace, 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: The Lord is compassionate and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in loving kindness. He has not dealt with us according to our sins nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. On this day 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 5, Give Ear, O LORD, to All My Thoughts, pgs. 6-7

People: Amen.

O Day of Rest and Gladness (Insert)

People: Amen.

O Day of Rest and Gladness



God Consecrates and Raises Up to Heaven

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

*Responsive Psalm 35:1-9

Pastor: By David.

Plead my cause, Yahweh, against my disputers!

People: Devour my devourers!

Take hold of buckler and shield

And arise for my help.

And draw the spear and shield-block against my pursuers;

Say to my soul, "I am your salvation."

Shamed and dismayed be the seekers of my soul;

Turned back and humiliated be those who plan evil for me.

Let them be like chaff before wind,

And let the angel of Yahweh keep chasing them down.

Let their path be dark and slippery;

And let the angel of Yahweh keep pursuing them,

Because without cause they hid for me a pit for their net;

Without cause they dug it for my soul.

Let destruction he does not know come upon him;

And his net that he hid — let it take him;

To his destruction let him fall into it.

Then my soul will be joyful in Yahweh

All: Rejoicing in His salvation! Amen! Yes, Amen!

Confession of the Nicene Creed (please remain standing)

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 and 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)

Old Covenant Reading: Isaiah 54:1-5

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

New Covenant Reading: I Corinthians 3:16-23

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

Gospel Reading in the Midst of the People: Matthew 21:10-17

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

Hymn of Faith: Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands, pg. 269

People: Amen!

Sermon: Pastor Uri Brito

Title: The Temple's Mission (Outline on 2nd to last page)

Text: I Corinthians 3:16-23

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

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! (Insert)

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

Hymn:
People: Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Pastor: Christians, how do you respond to our Lord?

People: We give only what the Lord has first given to us.

We present ourselves as living sacrifices,

And we offer the sacrifices of praise and thanksgiving.

We cheerfully give these tithes and offerings

In obedience to the Lord, for the glory of His Name,

The health of the Church, and for the sake of the world. Amen.



Words: William C. Dix, 1866, alt., P.D. Music (HYFRYDOL 8.7.8.7 D): Rowland Hugh Prichard, 1831, P.D.

God Communes With Us

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 Session 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. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to one of the pastors before or after the service.

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:

Behold! the Mountain of the Lord, pgs. 298-299

People: Amen!

Benediction Numbers 6:24-26 stus - Christ all and in all

Threefold Amen

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

All: Amen!

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Outline:

- I. Biblical Christians
- II. A Theology of the Temple
- III. The Temple as Worship (Summary)
- IV. The Temple as Mission
 - a. Temple as Holy Mountain
 - b. Temple as House of Prayer
 - c. Temple as Missional
- V. Prayer, Invitation, Social Media, Ethics, and Resources

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Announcements:

Great thanks to Deacon Ed Gregg and the Choir for preparing us for worship these last two weeks.

Great thanks to Mrs. Stout, Mrs. Smith, Ms. Cato and Mrs. Noland your leadership in facilitating the ladies' study over the last few months.

Pastor Brito is out of town this coming week. Please contact Pastor Stout for any pastoral needs.

Sunday School continues today with an overview of the Old Testament. There will be no Sunday School on the 30th.

Pastor Stout and Mrs. Stout will minister to our covenant children through catechism and other activities during the Sunday School hour.

Men's Study this week on Wednesday at 6 AM at Panera Bread on University Blvd. Please read chapters 6 and 7.

Regular Vespers' Service with a meal resumes on May 10th. (This is the second Wednesday of the month)

Congregational picture right after worship today. Please plan to stay for a few minutes.

Butch Pardue is hosting a men's fellowship at his home on May 5th. Please see Deacon Ron Smith for more information.

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