

**PROVIDENCE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**THE LORD'S DAY, DECEMBER 28, 2014**

**MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 11:00 A.M.**

Prelude *(We quiet our hearts and voices)* Mrs. Janet Taylor

Announcements

Call to Worship

\*Hymn "O Jesus, We Adore Thee" No. 255

\*Invocation and Lord's Prayer

\*Hymn "I Need Thee Every Hour" No. 674

Pastoral Prayer

Christmas Anthem

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*Hymn "Take Time to Be Holy" No. 537

Children (ages 4 & 5) leave for Children's Church

Scripture *James 3:3-12* Page 1012

Sermon "Controlling the Uncontrollable" Rev. Troy Milliken

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

\*Congregation Standing

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Please sign an attendance pad at the morning worship service.  
This helps us if you sign in. You might also notice names of  
folks you don't know so you can greet them by name.

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WE WELCOME ALL VISITORS WORSHIPING WITH US TODAY. IF  
YOU WOULD LIKE INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS CHURCH,  
PLEASE SPEAK TO A PASTOR OR ONE OF THE OFFICERS.

**EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:00 P.M.**

Prelude *(We quiet our hearts and voices)* Mrs. Emily Reeves

Call to Worship

\*Hymn "Good Christian Men, Rejoice" No. 207

\*Invocation

\*Hymn "Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come" No. 195

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

\*Hymn "All for Jesus!" No. 565

Heidelberg Catechism (#113-115)

Scripture *Exodus 20:17* Page 61

Sermon "Keeping Up with the Jones" Rev. Chris Wright

\*Benediction

\*Congregation Standing

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MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Ian and Heather – MTW

PRAYER FAMILY OF THE WEEK

Dr. and Mrs. Dennis Ireland and family

Nursery Today Morning: K. Foster, D. Bishop, J/L Harrison, C/SR Govero  
Evening: L/C Cullnane  
Jan. 4 Morning: B. Robinson, L. Elliott, B. Bennet, G. Thornton, L/T Bennet  
Jan. 4 Evening: S. Reeves, A. Kelly  
Children's Church Leader: Govero  
Greeters: Martin (J/E), Reed  
TLC: For Need Call Church Office (601-924-4747)  
Deacons: C. Govero

CALENDAR OF THE WEEK

TODAY

9:45 A.M. Sunday School  
11:00 A.M. Morning Worship Service  
4:45 P.M. Missions Committee Meeting  
6:00 P.M. Evening Worship Service

TUESDAY

6:45 A.M. Men's Prayer Group

THURSDAY

**HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

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NOTE: The Church Office will be closed Wednesday, Thursday and Friday this week. Please have bulletin info to [bessmalin@gmail.com](mailto:bessmalin@gmail.com) by Tuesday noon.

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There will be no Pros Meeting in January. They will resume meeting in February.

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PREACHING SCHEDULE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MORNING</u>	<u>EVENING</u>
January 4	Rev. Billy Dempsey	Rev. Matt Giesman
January 11	Rev. Mike McKelvey	Rev. Matt Giesman
January 18	Rev. Matt Giesman	Mr. Kyle Brent
January 25	Rev. Matt Giesman	Undershepherd Groups

## YEAR END GIFTS

Remember, any contributions to be credited for this year must be received in the church office or postmarked by December 31, 2014.

## PCA MINISTERIAL RELIEF OFFERING

The PCA Ministerial Relief Offering helps widows of retired PCA pastors and missionaries whose monthly incomes are insufficient to provide the basic needs of life. No amount is too small. You may drop your check in the offering plate or use the envelopes in the narthex to mail to the PCA address.

## NURSERY CHANGES

As of January 1, 2015, Amanda Davis will be our Nursery Director, and Amy Carter will continue as our Assistant Nursery Director. Thank you, Amy Vallejos, for serving our church family as the Director the past few years! If you are interested in serving in the nursery or need to make scheduling changes, please speak to Amanda. The Nursery Committee appreciates Amanda's willingness to take on this important service to our children.

## WINTER/SPRING ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

*Galatians: Living in Line with the Truth of the Gospel* —  
*A Study of Galatians by Tim Keller – taught by Hal Martin*

The gospel is to be applied to every area of thinking, feeling, relating and behaving. So what does that look like and how do we know if we are walking "in line with the truth of the gospel" Gal. 2:14. Galatians is a good place to learn how to walk in line with the truth of the gospel, how to walk by the Spirit, how to run the race well. Come, and together let's "...be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect." Rom.12:1

*Acts and Evangelism – taught by Don Malin*

The book of Acts is a book of transitions; from Jerusalem to Rome; from Jew to Gentile; from unbelief to belief. The early Church was a beach head in the spiritual sands of the known world. She had no public relations expert. She did not advertise on TV or radio. She didn't have money to keep her going. She was persecuted and yet she grew in quality and quantity. What can we learn from Acts that can help Providence in her transition? Let's continue our study in Acts and find out together.

## Heidelberg Catechism

We have been looking at the Heidelberg Catechism together on Sunday nights in 2014. This catechism was written in 1563 and is the most widely used catechism from the Reformation. It is divided into 52 "Lord's Day" sections, structured after the Book of Romans and can be outlined with three words: Guilt (#3-11), Grace (#12-85) and Gratitude (#86-129).

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### Lord's Day 44

#### **Q113. What is the aim of the tenth commandment?**

A. That not even the slightest desire or thought contrary to any one of God's commandments should ever arise in our hearts. Rather, with all our hearts we should always hate sin and take pleasure in whatever is right.

#### **Q114. But can those converted to God obey these commandments perfectly?**

A. No. In this life even the holiest have only a small beginning of this obedience. Nevertheless, with all seriousness of purpose, they do begin to live according to all, not only some, of God's commandments.

#### **Q115. Since no one in this life can obey the Ten Commandments perfectly, why does God want them preached so pointedly?**

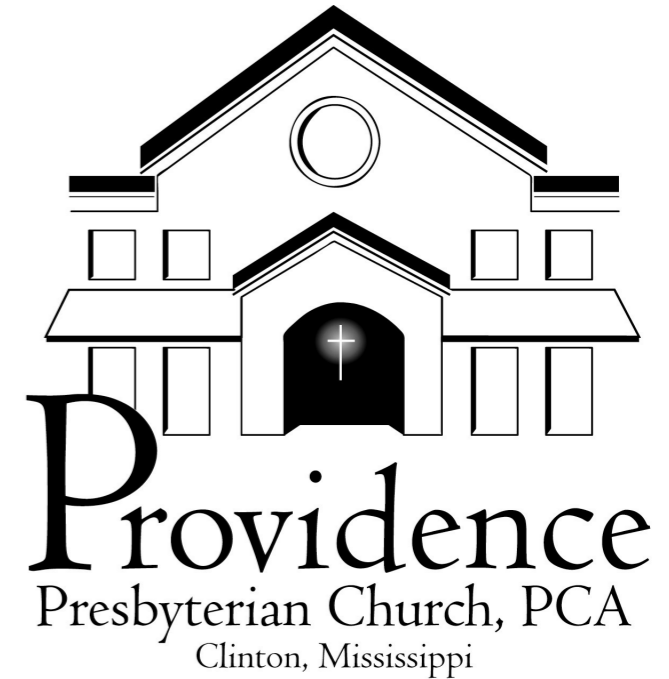
A. First, so that the longer we live the more we may come to know our sinfulness and the more eagerly look to Christ for forgiveness of sins and righteousness. Second, so that we may never stop striving, and never stop praying to God for the grace of the Holy Spirit, to be renewed more and more after God's image, until after this life we reach our goal: perfection.

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### **PASTORAL EMERGENCIES**

Pastor Matt will be out of town December 25–30. Should you have a pastoral emergency during this time, please contact one of your elders, who will be here to help if you need them: (\*Brian and Hal will also be out this week.)

Lester Harrison – 927-4495	*Brian Gault – 953-3256
Chris Govero – 924-8292	Louis Lavallee – 922-6805
*Hal Martin – 924-2041	Steve McNair – 924-0432
Harold Miller – 924-9323	Bill Pleasant – 519-1915
John Spears – 608-1736	



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*“But no human being can tame  
the tongue. . .  
With it we bless our Lord and  
Father, and with it we curse  
people who are made in the  
likeness of God.”*

*~ James 3:8a, 9 ~*

**December 28, 2014**