

*As a family.* We love God by loving His Word read as a family, if the Lord provides us with a family. Moses exhorted the Israelites to teach the commandments to their children (Deut. 6:6–7). Family Bible reading is necessary to propagate the Christian religion in our children. Studies show the rising generation in American churches leaving those churches; is it any wonder when parents, especially fathers, are not taking the time to read the Word with their children? Ignorance of Scripture leads to ignorance of Christ.

*Privately.* We love God by loving His Word read privately. Psalm 1 speaks of the singular “man” (v. 1) who is blessed because “his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night” (v. 2). To read the Word and meditate on the Word as a believer causes one to be like a well-watered and fruitful tree (v. 3). Psalm 119 is also the meditation of an individual believer: “Oh how I love your law! It is my meditation all the day” (v. 97). Meditating on the Word makes one wise (v. 98), makes one godly (v. 101), and gives us a spiritual delight as the Word is “sweeter than honey to my mouth!” (v. 103). This is why one writer said, “To neglect [the reading of the Word] is to despise our own souls, and deprive ourselves of the advantage of God’s instituted means of grace.” If we love God, it is our duty to read the Word of God.

#### BY OUR DELIGHT TO RECEIVE IT

We are to love God by loving His Word. Therefore, it is our delight to receive it. Again, think about receiving a gift. A gift is an act of grace—a person gives you something not because you deserve it but because he decided to express his love.

Ten times in the great Psalm 119 we read of the psalmist praising the Lord for receiving the Lord’s Word, saying he “delights” in the Word (Ps. 119:14, 16, 24, 35, 47, 70, 77, 92, 143, 174). Why? Because the Word is the living Word of the Lord to us, His people. The psalmist also describes his delight in the Word in comparison to other delightful things. He compares the Word to gold and silver, saying in verse 72, “The law of your mouth is better to me than thousands of gold and silver pieces” (see v. 127). He compares the Word to honey, saying in verse 103, “How sweet are your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!” Elsewhere in Scripture, we read of the Word being compared to other things such as these. The Word is compared to a sword that defends against spiritual enemies (Eph. 6:17). The Word is compared to a lamp that guides us (Ps. 119:105). The Word is compared to milk that nourishes our souls (1 Peter 2:2).

If we love God, it is our duty to read the Word and our delight to receive it as the very Word of the true and living God.

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### Loving the Word

Love is a complex thing. Contrary to popular notions, love is not a feeling or an emotion that you can fall into and then fall out of. Love is complex, meaning that love involves many things. Classically speaking, our human faculties are made up of the mind, the will, and the affections. Love is rooted in knowledge, exercised in willful decision, and experienced in the affections. To love someone involves all of this. To love someone means that you also love the things about someone. This is most true of our love for God. We love Him, and that leads us to love everything about Him. One of those things is His Word. To love God is to love His Word. Psalm 119 says, “Oh how I love your law!” (v. 97).

Because the Word is the means that God uses to speak to us, we need to love it and use it. Let’s consider how to do that.

#### BY OUR DUTY TO READ IT

We are to love God by loving His Word. Therefore, it is our duty to read it. Just as we give presents because we love someone and they open it in reciprocal love and gratitude, so too has God shown His love for His people by giving us the gift of His Word. The psalmist said: “He declares his word to Jacob, his statutes and rules to Israel. He has not dealt thus with any other nation; they do not know his rules” (Ps. 147:19–20). Show Him you love Him by reading His Word. Scripture explains that we do this in three ways.

*Publicly.* We love God by loving His Word read publicly. This was done in the ancient Jewish synagogue, as evidenced by Jesus’ entering the synagogue and performing the appointed reading from the prophet Isaiah (Luke 4:16–24). The early church carried on this practice, as Paul tells us (1 Thess. 5:27; Col. 4:16), and continued the practice after the close of the Apostolic age. For example, Justin Martyr said, “And on the day called Sunday, all who live in cities or in the country gather together to one place, and the memoirs of the apostles or the writings of the prophets are read, as long as time permits.” And Tertullian said, “We assemble to read our sacred writings . . . with the sacred words we nourish our faith, we animate our hope, we make our confidence more steadfast.”

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## 主日崇拜程序

**Prelude**  
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*The Lord is in His Holy Temple*  
主在圣殿中

**Call to Worship**  
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**Pastor David Weng**  
翁志仁 牧师

**Opening Hymn**  
唱诗

*To God be the Glory*  
荣耀归於真神

**Invocation/Gloria Patri**  
祷告/荣耀颂

**Responsive Reading**  
启应经文

**Ephesians 2:1-22**  
**Pastor David Weng**  
以弗所书 2:1-22  
马益明 弟兄

**Tithes & Offerings**  
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**Doxology & Offertory Prayer**  
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**Scripture Reading**  
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**1 Peter 2:11-17**  
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沈政赢 弟兄

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*Trusting Jesus*  
我平时当靠救主

**Special Items**  
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*How Can I Fear, Wherever You Go*  
我怎能害怕，无论何处去

**Pastoral Prayer**  
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翁志仁 牧师

**Sermon**  
证道

*“The Pilgrim in a Pagan World”*  
活在异教徒世界中的圣徒

Messenger: Pastor David Weng 讲员: 翁志仁 牧师  
Interpreter: Sister Michelle Yan 传译员: 闫晓蕾姐妹

**Closing Hymn**  
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*Encamped Along the Hills of Light*  
门徒在世仇敌甚多

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**Pastor David Weng**  
翁 牧师

**Silent Prayer & Postlude**  
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*The Lord Bless You and Keep You*  
愿主赐福看顾你

**Announcements**  
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**Theme for 2018: Rejoice in Hope (Romans 5:2)**  
**2018年的教会主题: 在盼望中喜乐(罗马书 5:2)**

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Welcome to Providence Bible-Presbyterian Church! If you are a visitor here, please fill up the visitor's card so we can get in touch with you.
2. There is no sermon reflection, Chinese Adult's Sunday School and Seeker's class today.
3. There is Lord's supper next Lord's Day. Please come prepared to partake the elements (18/11).
4. If you would like to know more about today's message or the Christian gospel, please feel free to approach Pastor David Weng.

### MEMORY VERSE

Having your conversation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation. (1 Peter 2:12)

### WCF SHORTER CATECHISM

#### Q. 100. What doth the preface of the Lord's Prayer teach us?

A. The preface of the Lord's Prayer, which is, *Our Father which art in heaven*, teacheth us to draw near to God with all holy reverence,[1] and confidence,[2] as children to a father,[3] able and ready to help us;[4] and that we should pray with and for others.[5]

[1] Psalm 95:6; [2] Ephesians 3:12; [3] Matthew 7:9-11; [4] Ephesians 3:20; [5] Ephesians 6:18

### NEXT LORD'S DAY (18/11)

TITLE	RESPONSIVE READING/TEXT	MESSENGER
<i>The Word Became Flesh</i>	<b>John 1:19-34/John 1:1-18</b>	<b>Pastor Weng</b>

### THIS WEEK'S MEETINGS & NEXT LORD'S DAY (12 Nov – 18 Nov 2018)

DATE	MEETING/ACTIVITIES	TIME & VENUE
Wed 13 Nov	Prayer Meeting	7-8pm, 169 Brougham Dr, Valley View
Thur 14 Nov	Ladies' Fellowship	10am, 169 Brougham Dr, Valley View
Sun 18 Nov	Sunday Worship Service	2:00-3:20pm, Church
Sun 18 Nov	Children's Sunday School— Susan	2:30-3:30pm, Church
Sun 18 Nov	Chinese Adult's Sunday School—Shaun	3:30-4:30pm, Church
Sun 18 Nov	Sermon Reflection—Michael	3:30-4:15pm, Church
Sun 18 Nov	Seeker's Class —Pastor	3:30-4:15pm, Church

### LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND OFFERINGS (4th November 2018)

Sunday Service Attendance	26	General Offerings	\$299.05
		Mission Fund	\$40.00
		Building Fund	Total: \$1520.00

### PRAYER ITEMS & SUPPLICATIONS

1. Thanksgiving: For God's providence, protection and provision in the past week.
2. Pray for forgiveness of sins, our personal walk with the Lord and grace to live a sanctified life.
3. Pray for the Australian government to rule our country with justice and equity and for God's guidance in the parliament.
4. Pray for God's protection upon Israel and the salvation of the Jews.
5. Pray for the escalating persecution of Chinese house church Christians across China.
6. Pray for missionaries around the world for protection, provision and for God's grace in the ministry and guidance: Brother Haiseng Lim and Evangelist Juniar and Helmi's ministry in Mentawai islands West Sumatra.
7. Pray for those who are involved in the ministry of Providence B-P Church in 2018: Pulpit, Scripture reading, sermon interpreting, music ministry, ushering, logistics & PA, Adult's/Children's Sunday School, Wed Prayer Meeting Family Fellowship, Ladies Fellowship, church bulletin and etc.
8. Pray for evangelistic work and outreach in and around Sefton Park.
9. Pray for the salvation of family members, loved ones and friends.
10. Pray for students studying/preparing for exams: Shaun Shen, Esther Lim & others.
11. Pray for God's guidance and provision to start Youth Fellowship.
12. Pray for God's guidance on John and Michelle's plans for the future.
13. Pray for those who are distressed over various issues in life and are discouraged for different reasons.
14. Pray for God's guidance for those who are looking for jobs.
15. Journey Mercies: Rev. & Mrs. Edward Paauwe (Adelaide), John Ma and Michelle Yan (China).
16. Health and healing: Rev. Edward Paauwe, David Paauwe, Michael Noble, & Bro. Kuan Pang Loh.

### 报告事项

1. 欢迎您前来本堂参加崇拜。如果您是第一次来参加敬拜，请填写新朋友联络卡，以便我们能与您联系。
2. 聚会后有信息的回思，慕道班与中文成人主日学将暂定。
3. 下礼拜是圣餐主日。请弟兄姐妹预备心领受 (18/11)。
4. 若您想更了解今天的信息或基督徒教的福音，请向牧师寻问。

### 金句背诵

你们在外邦人中，应当品行端正，叫那些毁谤你们是作恶的，因看见你们的好行为，便在鉴察（或作：眷顾）的日子归荣耀给神。（彼前 2:12）

### 威斯敏斯要理问答

问100: 主祷文的首句教导我们什么?

答: 主祷文的首句: 「我们在天上的父」, 教导我们存圣洁恭敬的心, 坦然无惧的恭敬神, 如同儿女亲近父亲一样, 笃信他肯听且能帮助我们, 并且教导我们要和人一同祷告, 又要为人祷告。

[1] 诗 95:6; [2] 弗 3:12; [3] 太 7:9-11; [4] 弗3:20; [5] 弗 6:18

### 下主日(2018年 十一月十八日)

题目	启应经文/讲道经文	讲员
道成了肉身	约翰福音 1:19-34/约翰福音 1:1-18	翁志仁 牧师

### 这周的聚会与下主日崇拜(2018年 十一月十二日至 十一月十八日)

日期	聚会	时间与地点
星期三, 十一月十四日	祷告会(解经学概论)	晚间七点, 169 Brougham, Valley View
星期四, 十一月十五日	姐妹团契	上午十点, 169 Brougham, Valley View
星期天, 十一月十八日	主日崇拜	下午二点至三点二十分, 教堂
星期天, 十一月十八日	儿童主日学—翁师母	下午二点半至三点三十分, 教堂
星期天, 十一月十八日	中文成人主日学—政赢弟兄	下午三点三十至四点三十分, 教堂
星期天, 十一月十八日	英语信息回思—Michael N.	下午三点三十至四十五分, 教堂
星期天, 十一月十八日	慕道班—牧师	下午三点三十至四点, 教堂

### 上主日聚会人数与奉献 (2018年 十一月四日)

主日崇拜人数	26	主日崇拜奉献	\$299.05
		宣教奉献	\$40.00
		建堂基金	总额: \$1520.00

### 代祷事项

1. 感谢事项: 神过去一周对我们的看顾, 保守及供应。
2. 求神赦免我们的过犯, 使我们与祂的关系密切与恩典来过着分别为圣的生活。
3. 为澳大利亚的官员能以公义来治国, 国会有神的带领祷告。
4. 为着色列国有神的保守及犹太人的救恩祷告。
5. 为着中国政府近期间针对家庭教会的逼迫祷告。
6. 为世界各地的宣教士祷告。求神保守, 供应他们一切的需要和在事工上有神的引导: 林海成传道、Juniar 和 Helmi 在西苏门达腊的福音工作祷告。
7. 为教会 2018 年的事工祷告: 讲台、讲道传译、读经、司琴、招待员、音响、成人/儿童主日学、祷告会, 家庭团契、姐妹团契和其它事工。
8. 为在 Sefton Park 和邻近地区的传福音工作祷告。
9. 为还未得救得家人, 亲戚与朋友祷告。
10. 为着以下就读的学生/准备考试祷告: 沈政赢弟兄与林慧婷姊妹与其他的学生。
11. 为青年团契的事工有神的带领祷告。
12. 为益明弟兄与晓蕾姐妹前面的计划有神的带领祷告。
13. 为着那些在生活上面面对挑战而需要鼓励的弟兄姐妹祷告。
14. 为在找工作的弟兄姐妹与朋友有神的带领来祷告。
15. 外旅平安与神的保守: 包爱华牧师与师母(阿德莱德), 马益明弟兄与闫晓蕾姐妹(中国)。
16. 身体健康与不适: 包爱华牧师, David Paauwe, Michael Noble 与罗宽邦弟兄。

## **The Pilgrim in the Pagan World**

活在异教徒世界中的圣徒

1 Peter 2:11-12 彼前 2:11-12

## **Questions for Discussion:**

**I. To live as pilgrims, there is a mindset to adopt (v.11a) 有一种思维要接受**

**II. To live as pilgrims, there is a war to fight (v.11b) 有一场仗要打**

**III. To live as pilgrims, there is a lifestyle to maintain (v. 12a) 有一种的人生观要维持**

**IV. To live as pilgrims, there is a day to remember (v.12b). 有一天要记得**