

ATTENDANCE & GIVING

LAST WEEK 12/17/17

Attendance

AM Worship: 278
Sunday School: 154

Giving

General Fund: \$11,797
Deacon Fund: \$405
Mission Fund: \$100

Year to Date Finance Summary

Cumulative Need: \$737,919
Total Income: \$714,310

Please remember Rincon Mountain in your will and estate planning.

This Week at RMPC—December 24, 2017

Check out the complete calendar at www.rinconpres.org, under the “Events” tab.

- Today** 9:00 am Pray for Discipleship Hour & Worship—Pastor Phil’s office.
9:30 am Discipleship Hour for all ages
10:30 am Worship
5:30 pm Christmas Eve Service
- Monday** **Christmas—Office Closed until January 2nd**
7:00 pm Men’s Bible Study (Will resume January 8th)
- Tuesday** 8:15 am Prayer Meeting (Will resume January 2nd)
9:30 am Women’s Bible Study (Will resume January 16th)
- Wednesday** 10:30 am Staff Meeting (Office Closed)
3:00 pm Prayer Meeting (Will resume January 3rd)
6:00 pm Children’s Choir (Will resume January 17th)
6:00 pm Youth & Family (Will resume January 3rd)
7:00 pm Choir rehearsal (Will resume January 10th)
- Friday** 6:30 am Men’s Bible Study (Will resume January 5th)
- Next Sun.** 9:00 am Pray for Discipleship Hour & Worship—Pastor Phil’s office.
9:30 am Discipleship Hour for all ages (Will resume January 7th)
10:30 am Worship

Event and Facility Requests: Before an event can be promoted or placed on the church calendar, a *Facilities Request Form* or *Event Approval Form* must be submitted at www.rinconpres.org. Look for it under the Events tab.

Prayer Requests: Post your requests at prayer@rinconpres.org

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To all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to whomsoever will come, this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.



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We Enter into God's Presence

■ Call to Worship

Psalm 37:39–40

Leader: The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; he is their stronghold in the time of trouble.

All: The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.

Invocation

■ Song of Adoration

O Come, All Ye Faithful

Hymn 208

Confession of Sin

All: O promised Christ we are a sinful people. Our pardon depends on your coming. We are a world at war. Our peace depends on your return. We are desperately weak at keeping promises, especially our promise to follow you faithfully. Our only hope of doing God's will is that you should work and will and act in accordance with your promise. Lord Christ, Word made flesh, our world, our nation, our families, and our hearts wait for your peace, your pardon, and your grace. Therefore with earnest hearts we plead: come, Lord Jesus! Rule in us and over us. Amen.

Silent Confession

■ Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 4:14–16

Leader: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Songs of Praise

Hark! the Herald Angels Sing

Hymn 203

Good Christian Men, Rejoice

Hymn 207

We Unite as God's People

■ Confession of Faith

The Nicene Creed, AD 381

All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-

begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all ages: God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made; being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the age to come. Amen.

Fourth Advent Reading

Jeffrey and Rachel Prather

Isaiah 11:1–2, 5–6,10; Luke 2:15–20; Pgs. 575–576, 857

Mission Moment / Pastoral Prayer

Offertory ◇

We Worship God through His Word

Scripture Reading

Greg Wates

Luke 1:26–38, 46–55

Preaching of God's Word

Pastor Luke Smith

Confounding Grace

We Respond to God's Word

■ Song of Response

Joy to the World! The Lord Is Come

Hymn 195

■ Benediction*

Pastor Luke Smith

God's People Depart to Serve Him

■ Please stand if you are able.

◇ Children 3 years old through 1st grade are dismissed to Children's Church.

* Please stand in a moment of silent meditation at the conclusion of the Benediction until dismissed.
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