

**Honoring our history
.....building our future**

**17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
September 15, 2013**

*The flowers today are given to the glory of God
and in honor of Mary Elaine on her 10th birthday,
by Jeffrey, DeEtta, Justin and Ava Wood*



OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*To disciple others in Christ by sharing the gospel
through our words and actions,
To nurture existing Christians into
a mature faith by worship,
fellowship and Christian education,
To prayerfully serve God by worshipping Him through Jesus Christ
by the power of the Holy Spirit,
And to serve our neighbor as Jesus taught us.*

Providence Presbyterian Church

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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 111

Leader: *We give thanks to the LORD with our whole hearts*

People: *Great are the works of the LORD*

Leader: *Full of honor and majesty is his work*

People: *His righteousness endures forever.*

Leader: *The works of his hands are faithful and just;*

People: *He sent redemption to his people; Holy and awesome is his name.*

Leader: *The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;*

People: *Praise the LORD! His praise endures forever*

All: *Let us worship our Lord God, Amen.*

***Opening Hymn**

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"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

Merciful God, you pardon all who truly repent and turn to you. We humbly confess our sins and ask your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved kindness, walked humbly with you, our God. Have mercy on us, O God, in your loving-kindness. In your great compassion, cleanse us from our sin. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us. Do not cast us from your presence, or take your Holy Spirit from us. Restore to us the joy of your salvation and sustain us with your bountiful Spirit.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *Strive first for the kingdom of God and His righteousness*

People: *and all these things will be given to those who live with assurance of Christ as Lord and Savior.*

***Responsive Hymn "Seek Ye First"**

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Passing of the Peace of Christ *(please begin the pew pads)*

Giving of His Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory

***Doxology**

Hymn # 34

Prayer of Dedication

First Scripture Lesson

Luke 15:11-20

Anthem

"Thou Art Worthy"

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude for Children's Church

*(Children's Church led by Wayne and Heather Ennis;
Kid's Crusade with Sandy Kopanski)*

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Second Scripture Lesson

Luke 15:21-32

Sermon

"God Doesn't Play Fair"

Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn**

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"Open My Eyes, That I May See"

***Acolyte, Benediction and Postlude**

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

September Scripture Passage

²⁶ Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and glory. ²⁷ Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. ²⁸ "From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰ Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³² "But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³ Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. **Mark 13:26-33**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List of Joys and Concerns

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church
The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor
Rev. Jim Davis

Session

<u>Class of 2013</u>		
Stephanie Bagley <i>Worship</i>	John Kopanski <i>Mission & Outreach</i>	Atlee Roberts <i>Property</i>
<u>Class of 2014</u>		
Nathan Dry <i>Long-Range Planning</i>	Wayne Lamm <i>Congregational Care</i>	Gary Phillips <i>Fellowship</i>
<u>Class of 2015</u>		
Robert Joyner <i>Christian Education</i>	Kristy Stephenson <i>Finance</i>	Jeffrey Wood <i>Personnel, Clerk</i>
<u>Staff</u>		
<i>Secretary</i> DeEtta Wood	<i>Accounting Treasurer</i> Ann Stephenson	<i>Collections Treasurer</i> Ann Benson
<i>Music Director/ Organist</i> Brittany Jones	<i>Pianist</i> DeEtta Wood	
<i>Webmaster</i> David Nelms	<i>Usher Coordinator</i> Russell Wood	

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Weekly Statistics

General Fund Receipts for August.....	\$9,719.75
General Fund Expenses for August.....	\$11,265.50
General Fund Receipts for Sept 8.....	\$1,815.85
Total General Fund Receipts for September	\$4,920.91
Capital Campaign Giving.....	\$298,267.00

YOUTH GROUP MISSION PROJECT please continue to bring in your school supplies for McGee's Middle School and West Johnston High School. Collection boxes will be available through September 22.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY is planned for Saturday, September 21 at 9:00 a.m. The Youth Group, and their advisors, are heading up this workday. All those within the congregation who are able, are asked to come and help! If you have questions, please contact Robert Joyner.

HOMEcoming & GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY will be held on Sunday, October 13th! On **Sunday, September 22**, a Combined Adult Sunday School class will be held in the Fellowship Hall. Following the lesson, additional information will be shared regarding our Homecoming celebration.

YOUTH GROUP CRAFT FAIR will be held on Saturday, October 19 from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This year's Craft Fair will be held as a fundraiser for the Youth Group. If you, or anyone you know, would like to participate as a vendor, please contact Robert and Brandy Joyner. Please plan to come out and shop, supporting not only our Youth Group, but local area vendors.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Atlee Roberts
Ushers: Austin Benson & Jeffrey Wood **Acolyte:** Mary Elaine Wood
Nursery: Richard and Andrea Jones

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, September 22:

Ushers: Carlos Bagley and Ryan Nelms **Acolyte:** Kimsey Bagley
Children's Church: Heath and Heather White
Nursery: Christina Jones and Lauren Langdon

Today at Providence:

9:45 a.m.: Sunday School for Children, Youth and Adults
10:25 a.m.: Fellowship Time in the Fellowship Hall
11:00 a.m.: Worship
5:00 p.m.: Youth Group, Pioneer Clubs and Adult Bible Study

Weekly Events:

Monday, Sept 16: Christian Education Committee at 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept 17: Presbyterian Women Combined Circle at 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Sept 18: Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Sept 21: Church Clean-Up Day at 9:00 a.m.

Upcoming Events:

September 22. Combined Adult Sunday School at 9:45 a.m.
September 22. *Bring Your Can to Church* for Backpack Buddies
September 22. Acolyte Training at 5:00 p.m.
September 29. Youth Advisor meeting at 4:00 p.m.

JOYS:

Praise the Lord for His many blessings!

CONCERNS:

Our Christian Sympathy is extended to the family of:
Buster Johnson, member of community

Members of the Providence Family in Long-Term Care:

Brack Johnson at *Classic Care Assisted Living in Smithfield*
Marilyn Johnson at *Barbour Court Nursing in Smithfield*
Lacy Johnson & Pauline Jones at *Liberty Commons in Benson*
Grant Joyner, Bobbie Langdon, Bernard Parsons, and Frances Schmidt, at home

Our Nation's Leaders and All Persons Serving in the Armed Forces

All Persons Living with Cancer, including:

Carol Badalucco, friend of Sue Bryant, Sherry Baker, friend of Laura Langdon, Nancy Biernacki, friend of Bob Zattiero, Patsy Bowman, member of church family, Edith Bowser, friend of Bob Zattiero, Kathy Durocher, friend of Mark Nelms, Ann Hargiss, member of community, P.B. Jernigan, relative of Sheila Dupree, David Kopanski, John Kopanski's brother, Keith Langdon, member of church family, Mitch Lockamy, pastor at Shiloh Baptist Church, Leslie Lobaugh, friend of Chris Nooney, Ann Lopp, friend of Andrea Jones, Carol Mayben, Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law, Harry Myers, friend of Ann Benson, Barbara Owens, friend of Laura Langdon, Brenda Osbourne, friend of Brenda Dupree, Jackie Parker, friend of Amy Reed, Jerry Penny, friend of Dick Embrey, Barbara Shaw, Kathy Ryals' aunt, Bob Stephenson, Ann Stephenson's cousin, Bobby Stephenson, member of community, Randy Stephenson, Jon Nooney's cousin, Crystal Stotter, friend of Sandy Kopanski, Tammy Vann, friend of Sandy Kopanski, Kenneth Weathers, Wendy Stephenson's brother-in-law, Betty West, friend of Randy Benson, Jimmy Wilkins, member of community, Kay Williams, friend of Sandy Kopanski, and Hannah Youngblood, friend of Kristy Stephenson.

Other Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

Nancy Allen, Sheila Dupree's mother, Elaine Andrews, Andrea Jones' mother, Mary Bass, Rev. Davis' mother, Shelton Benson, Randy Benson's father, Charlie Brannon, friend of Dick Embrey, Charlie & Mary Burke, Steve Wolak's parents, Brenda Davis, friend of Lisa Nelms, Bill and Bobbie Ellis, Georgeanna Phillips' parents, Ed Fontana, Mary Langdon's father, Rose Hollingsworth, Ann Stephenson's sister-in-law, Fred Ipock, Cathy Creech's father, Norbert Kopanski, John Kopanski's father, Stuart Kremer, friend of Andrea Jones, Jerome Langdon, member of community, Vic LaSaxon, Chris Nooney's brother-in-law, Wanza Mayben, Sandy Kopanski's mother, Sue Nicholson, Chris Nooney's sister, David Raynor, friend of Sandy Kopanski, Kathy Rose, friend of Kim Schmidt, Kathy Ryals, member of church family, Gary Schmidt, Kim Schmidt's brother, Pete and Brenda Skinner, friends of Sue Bryant, Nan Walker, Andrea Jones' grandmother, Marie Wellman, friend of Brenda Byrd, John Wright, Chris Nooney's father, and Charles Young, friend of Lisa Nelms