

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

**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS  
BAPTISM OF THE LORD  
January 12, 2014**



**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  
Acolyte**

**Call to Worship** Psalm 51

**Leader:** Have mercy on me, O God, according to your  
steadfast love;

**People:** *according to your abundant mercy blot out my  
transgressions.*

**Leader:** Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse  
me from my sin.

**People:** *For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever  
before me.*

**Leader:** Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;

**People:** *wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.*

**Leader:** Create in me a clean heart, O God,

**People:** *and put a new and right spirit within me.*

**Leader:** Restore to me the joy of your salvation,

**People:** *and sustain in me a willing spirit.*

**All:** *Let us worship our God joyfully!*

**\* Opening Hymn "Come Thou Almighty King" # 148**

**Confession of Sin (In Unison)**

*O God of limitless blessings, You created us in Your image to  
worship and glorify You. We confess our distress when afflicted  
with pain. We often avoid those encounters that will cause us  
discomfort. We cling to the things of this world that subtract  
from our relationship with You. Help us to Bless You and those  
who proclaim Your love in our lives. May You fill our hearts  
with the joy of the knowledge of the one true Lord and Savior. O  
God, add to our faith and understanding of Your Grace in this  
world. Convict our hearts that we may serve You with joy and  
peace.*

**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 # 461  
"Breathe on Me, Breath of God"**

**\*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**

**Old Testament Scripture Lesson** Isaiah 55:8-13

**Anthem**

**Providence Choir**

**"Let's Talk About Jesus"**

**Musical Interlude for Children's Church & Kid's Crusade**  
*(Children's Church led by Kelly Nordan; Kid's Crusade with Kay Dry)*

**Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer**

**New Testament Scripture Lesson** Matthew 13:44

**Sermon** "God's Joy" Rev. Jim Davis

**\*Dedication Hymn** "Joy to the World" # 179

**\*Acolyte**

**\*Benediction**

**\* Postlude**

*\*Signifies Congregation to Stand*

**January Scripture Passage**

<sup>25</sup> Now a discussion about purification arose between John's disciples and a Jew. <sup>26</sup> They came to John and said to him, "Rabbi, the one who was with you across the Jordan, to whom you testified, here he is baptizing, and all are going to him." <sup>27</sup> John answered, "No one can receive anything except what has been given from heaven. <sup>28</sup> You yourselves are my witnesses that I said, 'I am not the Messiah, but I have been sent ahead of him.' <sup>29</sup> He who has the bride is the bridegroom. The friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly at the bridegroom's voice. For this reason my joy has been fulfilled. <sup>30</sup> He must increase, but I must decrease." <sup>31</sup> The one who comes from above is above all; the one who is of the earth belongs to the earth and speaks about earthly things. The one who comes from heaven is above all.  
**John 3:25-31**

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church  
The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

*Pastor*  
Rev. Jim Davis

Session

Class of 2014  
Nathan Dry                      Wayne Lamm                      Gary Phillips

Class of 2015  
Robert Joyner    Kristy Stephenson    Margie Taylor    Jeffrey Wood

Class of 2016  
Beth Breeden    Pete Booth    David Nelms    Steve Nordan

Staff

*Accounting Treasurer*                      *Collections Treasurer*  
Ann Stephenson                              Ann Benson

*Music Director/ Organist*                      *Pianist*  
Brittany Jones                                      DeEtta Wood

*Webmaster*                                      *Usher Coordinator*  
David Nelms                                      Russell Wood

*Secretary Group*  
Mary Ann Booth    Heather White    LaVette Morgan

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Weekly Statistics

Total General Fund Receipts for December .....	\$21,901.13
Total General Fund Expenses for December .....	\$12,706.82
General Fund Receipts for Jan 5.....	\$8,830.50
Capital Campaign Receipts for Jan 5.....	\$2,485.00
Capital Campaign Giving .....	\$395,173.13
Attendance for Sunday School Jan 5 .....	75
Attendance for Worship Jan 5 .....	99

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S CHICKEN PASTRY DINNER**

The Chicken Pastry and Silent Auction Fundraiser is set for January 17. Proceeds will go to equip our new kitchen. Money and any unsold tickets should be turned in Sunday, January 12, to Kay Dry, Joyce Lamm, Margie Taylor, or Linda Roberts. Donated items for the Silent Auction need to be in the Historical Room by Wednesday, January 15. If you can make a donation, please contact Brenda Byrd at 919-244-3864.

**SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCHEON** The Senior Citizens Luncheon will be hosted by Providence Presbyterian at 12 noon on January 14.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

**Elder of the Month/Greeter:** Wayne Lamm

**Ushers:** Wayne Lamm and Atlee Roberts    **Acolyte:** Paige Smith

**Nursery:** Jonathan Breeden, Chris and Kristy Stephenson

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, January 19:

**Ushers:** Brent Frampton and Eric Smith

**Acolyte:** Kaleigh Weaver

**Nursery:** Richard, Andrea, and Haley Jones

**Children's Church:** Kelly Nordan    **Kids Crusade:** Kay Dry

Today at Providence:

9:45 am: Sunday School for Children, Youth and Adults

10:25 am: Fellowship Time

11:00 am: Worship

Weekly Events:

**January 13.** Stated Session Meeting at 7:00 pm

**January 14.** Senior Citizens Luncheon at 12 noon

**January 15.** Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 pm

**January 17.** Presbyterian Women's Chicken Pastry Dinner, and Youth Lock-In from 7:00 pm to 7:00 am Saturday

Upcoming Events:

**January 19.** Pioneer Clubs and Youth Group 5:00 pm

**January 21.** Presbyterian Women Circle meets at 10:00 am and 7:30 pm

**January 22.** Adult Choir practice at 7:30 pm

**Prayer List of Joys and Concerns**

**JOYS:**

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, for the Lord is good; His steadfast love endures forever and His faithfulness to all generations!

**CONCERNS:**

**H. A. Andrews**, father of Andrea Jones, recovering from a fall & broken ribs  
**Brad Davis**, father of Jim Davis, in hospital

**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.

**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, **Kobe Horney**, two-year old member of community, **P.B. Jernigan**, relative of Sheila Dupree, **David Kopanski**, John Kopanski's brother, **Keith Langdon**, member of church family, **Amy Louthan**, friend of Barri Martin, **Carol Mayben**, Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law, **Harry Myers**, friend of Ann Benson, **Jackie Parker**, friend of Amy Dupree, **Jerry Penny**, friend of Dick Embrey, **Nina Redmond**, niece of Pat and Dick Embry, **Barbara Shaw**, Kathy Ryals' aunt, **Randy Stephenson**, Jon Nooney's cousin, **Tammy Vann**, friend of Sandy Kopanski, **Kenneth Weathers**, Wendy Stephenson's brother-in-law, **DeEtta Wood**, member of church family, and **Hannah Youngblood**, friend of Kristy Stephenson.

**Other Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:**

**Levon and Nancy Allen**, Sheila Dupree's parents, **Elaine Andrews**, Andrea Jones' mother, **Mary Bass**, Rev. Davis' mother, **Charlie & Mary Burke**, Steve Wolak's parents, **Rich Cross**, Phil Cross' father, **Brenda Davis**, friend of Lisa Nelms, **Bill and Bobbie Ellis**, Georgeanna Phillips' parents, **Tammy Ennis**, member of community, **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, **Vic LaSaxon**, Chris Nooney's brother-in-law, **Wanza Mayben**, Sandy Kopanski's mother, **Sue Nicholson**, Chris Nooney's sister, **Kathy Rose**, friend of Kim Schmidt, **Kathy Ryals**, member of church family, **Danny Salmon**, Wendy Stephenson's brother-in-law, **Gary Schmidt**, Kim Schmidt's brother, **Pete and Brenda Skinner**, friends of Sue Bryant, **Stephanie Stanton**, friend of Wendy Stephenson, **Nan Walker**, Andrea Jones' grandmother, and **John Wright**, Chris Nooney's father