

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



**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**

*At McGee's Crossroads 919.894.4063  
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**FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT  
MARCH 5, 2017**

**Welcome and Announcements**

**Prelude and Acolyte**

**Call to Worship** (from Psalm 56) Kevin Creech

Leader: *Be gracious to me, O God,*

**People:** *for people trample on me; all day long foes oppress me;*

Leader: *when I am afraid, I put my trust in You.*

**People:** *in God I trust; I am not afraid; what can flesh do to me?*

Leader: *This I know, that God is for me.*

**People:** *in God I trust; I am not afraid.*

Leader: *What can a mere mortal do to me?*

**People:** *My vows to You I must perform,*

Leader: *For You have delivered my soul from death,*

**People:** *so that I may walk before God in the light of life.*

**All:** *Let us gather and praise the LORD this day!*

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

**Confession of Sin (In Unison)**

*O Lord, hear our confession this day. Too often we praise our own efforts and ignore Your presence in our lives. We cling to the things that perish and stray from Your steadfast Love. Help us to see ourselves and those around us with the only true source of light and truth. Forgive our foolish ways and help us to forgive other – O God, help us to cling to You as our rock and redeemer.*

**Silence for Personal Confession**

**Assurance of Forgiveness**

Leader: *Hear the good news: Christ delivers those who are truly repentant of their sins..*

**People:** *We are forgiven through our Lord's sacrifice, we are redeemed sinners who rejoice in God's grace.*

**\*Responsive Hymn "As the Deer" # 471**

**\*Affirmation of Faith** (Back cover of Blue Hymnal)  
**"The Apostle's Creed"**

**\*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 1 Samuel 17:19-24, 32-37**

**Anthem "And the Crowd Cried Out" Providence Choir**

**Musical Interlude for Children's Worship**

*(Children ages 4 thru 5th grade led by Beth Breeden, Jonathan Breeden and Donna Stolle)*

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

**New Testament Scripture Lesson 1 Timothy 6:12-16**

**Sermon "Fighting the Good Fight" Rev. Jim Davis**

**\*Dedication Hymn #440**

**"Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us"**

**\*Acolyte and Benediction**

**Postlude**

*\*Signifies Congregation to Stand*

If you desire to join Christ's Church here at PPC please contact the Pastor – office 919-894-4063, cell# 919-264-4324, or after worship!

**March Scripture Passage**

<sup>35</sup> *But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return.<sup>1</sup> Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. <sup>36</sup> Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. <sup>37</sup> "Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; <sup>38</sup> give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."*

**Luke 6:35-38**

## SERVICE SCHEDULE

### *Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church* The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

*Pastor*  
Rev. Jim Davis

*Session*

#### Class of 2017

<i>Long Range Planning</i>	<i>Fellowship</i>	<i>Youth C.E.</i>	<i>Worship</i>
Tony Bryant	David Collier	Barri Martin	Donna Stolle

#### Class of 2018

<i>Finance</i>	<i>Congregational Care</i>	<i>Adult C.E.</i>	<i>Property</i>
Sam Stephenson	Kent Walton	Atlee Roberts	Russell Wood

#### Class of 2019

<i>Children C.E.</i>	<i>Mission/Outreach</i>	<i>Clerk</i>	<i>Personnel</i>
Vickie Faircloth	John Kopanski	Mary Ann Booth	Stephanie Bagley

#### Staff

<i>Accounting Treasurer</i> Kristy Stephenson	<i>Collections Treasurer</i> Ann Benson
<i>Music Director/Organist/Pianist</i> Brittany Jones	<i>Pianist</i> Angie Searcy
<i>Website</i> David Nelms	<i>Usher Coordinator</i> Russell Wood
<i>Secretary</i> Kimberly Callis	

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#### Weekly Statistics

Year-to-Date General Fund Receipts (thru Jan 31) .....	\$23,253.73
Year-to-Date General Fund Expenses (thru Jan 31).....	\$25,610.37
General Fund Receipts for January .....	\$23,253.73
General Fund Expenses for January .....	\$25,610.37
General Fund Receipts for February 26 .....	\$6,916.00
Total General Fund Receipts (Feb) .....	\$25,066.41
Capital Reserve Account .....	\$84,707.48
Current Loan Balance .....	\$1,089,439.55
Attendance for Sunday School February 26.....	77
Attendance for Worship February 26 .....	121

### Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

**Elder of the Month/Greeter:** Russell Wood  
**Ushers:** Tony & Sue Bryant, Carlos Bagley (Back)  
**Acolyte:** Phoebe Creech  
**Nursery:** Christina Jones & Lisa Nelms  
**Children's Worship:** Beth Breeden  
**Children's Helpers:** Jonathan Breeden & Donna Stolle  
**Lay Reader:** Kevin Creech  
**Fellowship Time:** Young Adult Class

### Assisting in Worship next Sunday, March 12

**Elder of the Month/Greeter:** Russell Wood  
**Ushers:** Scott & Barri Martin, Gary Phillips (Back)  
**Acolyte:** Hannibal Langdon  
**Nursery:** Jennifer Crocker & Amy Dupree  
**Children's Worship:** Beth Breeden  
**Children's Helpers:** Jonathan Breeden & Donna Stolle  
**Lay Reader:** Heath White  
**Fellowship Time:** Fellowship Committee

## CHURCH CALENDAR

### Today at Providence:

**9:45 am:** Sunday School  
**10:25 am:** Fellowship Time  
**11:00 pm:** Worship Service  
**5:00 pm:** LOGOS

### Weekly Events:

**Mar 6.** Congregational Care Meeting 10:00 am  
**Mar 7.** Card Ministry 10:00 am Upper FH  
 Long Range Planning Meeting 7:00 pm  
**Mar 8.** Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm  
**Mar 9.** Presbyterian Women Joint CP&SA/PW Coordinating  
 Team Meeting 7:00 pm Upper FH

### Upcoming Events:

**Mar 12.** Daylight Saving Time Begins  
**Mar 13.** Session Meeting 7:00 pm  
**Mar 14.** M&O Monthly visit to Stage Coach Manor  
 Senior Citizen Luncheon 12:00 (noon) Johnson  
 Memorial Church  
**Mar 15.** Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm  
**Mar 17.** Presbyterian Women Chicken Pastry 11:00 am to  
 7:30 pm

## PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

**JOYS:** For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son!

### CONCERNS:

#### 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*; **Pauline Jones**, at *Liberty Commons in Benson*; **Grant Joyner, Bobbie Langdon, and Frances Schmidt** at home.

#### Persons Living with Cancer, including:

**Vicky Austin**, community; **Sherry Baker**, friend of Laura Langdon; **Priscilla Beckwith**, friend of Sandy Kopanski; **Patsy Bowman**, member; **Joanne Boyle**, Bob Zattiero's niece; **Lisa Bradshaw**, member of the community; **Richard Davis**, friend of Elaine Wood; **Ann Hargis**, community; **Consuelo Hawkins**, Joe Hawkins' mother; **Luke Jordan**, friend of Christina Jones; **Carol Mayben**, Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law; **Dina Poole**, Becky Kleaver's daughter-in-law; **Art Redmond**, Pat Embrey's niece's husband; **Elbert Simmons**, Cathy Simmon' father; **Ben Snelling**, friend, of John Kopanski; **Randy Stephenson**, Jon Nooney's cousin; **Chad Talley**, friend of John Pickens; **Wayne and Mary Toler**, Dorothy Nesselrodt's sister and brother-in-law; **Tammy Vann**, friend of Sandy Kopanski; and **Hannah Youngblood**, friend of Kristy Stephenson

#### Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

**Nancy Allen**, Sheila Dupree's mom; **Velma and Ray Bost**, Heath White's grandparents; **Worth Bowman**, member; **Charlie & Mary Burke**, Steve Wolak's parents; **Shepherd Byrd**, member; **Elise Corona**, daughter of a friend of Sue Bryant; **Lynn Cross**, member; **Joan Daniel**, John Daniel's mother; **Coby Foreman**, church family; **Jonathan Hass**, Bob & Donna Stolle's grandson; **Rebecca Jackson**, member; **Norbert Kopanski**, John Kopanski's father; **Sandy Kopanski**, member; **Stuart Kremer**, friend of Andrea Jones; **Laura Langdon**, member; **Vic LaSaxon**, Chris Nooney's brother-in-law; **Hubert Lipscomb**, scout leader; **Scott Martinelli**, Joe & Beverly Martinelli's son; **Wanza Mayben**, Sandy Kopanski's mother; **Bill McClandless**, friend of Bob Zattiero; **Nancy Nelms**, member; **Sue Nicholson**, Chris Nooney's sister; **Jon Nooney**, member; **Lou Penny**, member; **Caleb Reese**, cousin of Andrea Jones; **Kathy Rose**, friend of Kim Schmidt; **Barbara Walton**, member; **Mrs. Mollie Ward**, Brenda Byrd's friend's mom; **Mary Wilkinson**, Ron Forren's mother; and **John Wright**, Chris Nooney's father

**Pastor's Office Hours** - The pastor will be in the office Monday through Thursday from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm, with varying additional hours in the afternoons. All hours are subject to pastoral demands.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Senior Citizens Luncheon** – The March, Senior Citizens Luncheon will be held Tuesday, March 14 at 12:00 (noon) at Johnson Memorial Church. Please let Margie Taylor know by Wednesday, March 8, so that the cooks will know how many to prepare food for. You may contact Margie at 919-207-0149 or margieataylor@aol.com.

### **Chicken Pastry & Silent Auction - Just two weeks away!**

1. **Calling Helping Hands** - We need help waiting on customers, serving beverages and clearing dining tables. We also need help washing dishes. See the sign-up sheets in the Upper Fellowship Hall Foyer. We need folks all day, but if youth could show up between 4:00-4:30pm for a little instruction, and work some or all of 4:30-7:30pm that would be a big help! Thanks much!
2. **Tickets** - If you purchased tickets to give to neighbors or friends, if you have any to donate, we could use them to supply a plate of food to the residents and staff at Stagecoach Manor. There will be a donation jar on the table in the Nesselrodt Classroom. Thirty-two tickets have been collected already. We just need eight more!
3. **Wanted: Homemade Delights** - Apple pies to Zucchini bread: bread, cakes, candies, cookies, jelly, pies, pickles and snacks. You can include your recipe if you would like. If you have already signed up to donate we thank you, but there is room for more! Any questions contact Carolyn Stevenson at 919-219-6105, LaVette Morgan or JoAnn Creech.
4. **Volunteers** - Don't know where to plug in? Please call Donna Stolle at 860-214-6698 or email dms6330@gmail.com. Also, check out the sign-up sheets in the Upper Fellowship Hall Foyer.
5. **Thank You** - Sincerely, to everyone involved!

**Fellowship & Fitness Group** – Our walking group will meet in the lower parking lot Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00 am beginning Wednesday, March 29. In case of rain we will meet in the Upper Fellowship Hall, where we can do laps. This is for anyone, any age. Feel free to bring your spouse, a friend or a neighbor to join us. Questions contact Donna Walker at 910-814-2153 or email Donna at 47dwalker@gmail.com.

**PPC Sunday School Superintendent Needed** – The position of Sunday School Superintendent is open and we are looking for someone to fill this position. If you feel led to serve in this ministry or have any questions regarding this role please contact Vickie Faircloth (vickiefaircloth@yahoo.com), Barri Martin (bhmartin74@gmail.com), or Atlee Roberts (atleeroberts@aol.com).

**Please Lock Doors** – Please remember if you are leaving the church and exiting doors that have already been locked to make sure they remain locked when you leave. Doors are being left unlocked and the security of the church is not being maintained. Make sure doors are secured if you enter and leave during the week or if you are the last one to leave the church. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**Reminders** – Please contact Kim Callis at secretary@providencepresb.org or 919-894-4063 if you need to: Add or remove anyone from the prayer list, schedule use of the upper or lower fellowship hall or directory updates. **Please Note:** Bulletin deadline is by Thursday evening if you wish for an announcement to appear in the bulletin the following Sunday.