# 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 worshiping 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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# FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER APRIL 23, 2017

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

# **Prelude and Acolyte**

Call to Worship (from Psalm 23) Brittany Jones

Leader: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

People: He makes me to lie down in green pastures:

Leader: He leads me beside the still waters and restoreth my

soul:

People: He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Leader: Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil:

People: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Leader: Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies.

People: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Leader: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

People: and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

All: Let us worship the Lord our God.

# \*Opening Hymn #48 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

# Confession of Sin (In Unison)

To fear You is the beginning of wisdom, O God, and to confess our sins can lead to repentance. We acknowledge the wrongs we commit against our neighbors; the remarks that aim at tearing them down, the actions that exclude and alienate. Forgive us for our corrupted love of self, and love of that which hurts others. Help us to change our sinful ways and cling to You, from which all good originates.

### **Silence for Personal Confession**

# **Assurance of Forgiveness**

Leader: Through the blood of the Lamb of God we are washed clean!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ our Risen Savior, we have been redeemed!

\*Responsive Hymn "You Are My All in All"

\*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** 

**Reception of New Members** (refer to insert)

Old Testament Scripture Lesson Isaiah 41:8-10

**Anthem** "Easter Alleluia" Providence Choir

# Musical Interlude for Children's Worship

(Children ages 4 thru 5th grade led by Kristy Stephenson, Chris Stephenson and Ann Benson)

## Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson Matthew 28:1-10, 18-20

**Sermon "Overcoming Fear and Death"** Rev. Jim Davis

"To God Be the Glory"

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\*Acolyte and Benediction

# Postlude

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\*Dedication Hymn

\*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!

# **April Scripture Passage**

17 So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! 18 All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. 20 So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

2 Corinthians 5:17-20

# Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church

The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor Rev. Jim Davis

#### Session

	Clas	ss of 2017		
Long Range Planning			Worship	
Tony Bryant	David Collie	r Barri Martin	Donna Stolle	
	Clas	ss of 2018		
Finance C	ongregational Co		Property	
Sam Stephenson	Kent Walton	Atlee Roberts	Russell Wood	
_	Clas	ss of 2019		
Children C.E. Mi	ssion/Outreach	Clerk	Personnel	
Vickie Faircloth Jol	hn Kopanski	Mary Ann Booth	Stephanie Bagley	
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	,	Staff		
Accounting Treasurer		Collections Ti	reasurer	
Kristy Stephenson		Ann Ben	Ann Benson	
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Music Director/Organist/Pianist				
Brittany Jones		Angie Sea	arcy	
Website		Usher Coord	linator	
David Nelms		Russell W	ood .	

# Secretary Kimberly Callis

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# Weekly Statistics

Year-to-Date General Fund Receipts (thru March 3	1)\$68,835.92
Year-to-Date General Fund Expenses (thru March 3	31) \$75,062.87
General Fund Receipts for March	\$20,562.78
General Fund Expenses for March	\$29,927.84
General Fund Receipts for April 16	\$5,796.00
Total General Fund Receipts (April)	\$18,282.30
Capital Reserve Account	\$84,714.32
Current Loan Balance	\$1,069,286.57
Attendance for Sunday School April 16	79
Attendance for Worship April 16	
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### SERVICE SCHEDULE

# **Assisting in Worship this Sunday:**

**Elder of the Month/Greeter:** Donna Stolle

**Ushers:** John Daniel & Bob Stolle, Steve Wolak (Back)

**Acolyte:** Joey Crocker

**Nursery:** Jonathan Breeden & Emma Phillips **Children's Worship:** Kristy Stephenson

Children's Helpers: Chris Stephenson & Ann Benson

Lay Reader: Brittany Jones

Fellowship Time: Fellowship Committee

### Assisting in Worship next Sunday, April 30

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Donna Stolle

Ushers: Eric Smith & Russell Wood, Jeffrey Wood (Back)

Youth Ushers: Chance Ennis & Kenny Poole, Connor Reed (Back)

Acolyte: Eva Stephenson

Nursery: Barri Martin & Elaine Wood Children's Worship: Kristy Stephenson

Children's Helpers: Chris Stephenson & Ann Benson

Lay Reader: Youth

Fellowship Time: Fellowship Committee

## CHURCH CALENDAR

## **Today at Providence:**

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

# Weekly Events:

April 24. Men's Softball Game 8:30 pm

April 25. Prayer Shawl 10:00 am

**April 26.** Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am Worship Comm. Mtg. 6:45 pm Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm

**April 27.** M & O Meeting 11:00 am Men's Softball Game 6:30 pm

**April 28.** Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am Scouts Spaghetti Dinner 11 -2 & 4:30 – 7:30 pm

# **Upcoming Events:**

**April 30.** Youth Sunday

May 1. Congregational Care 10:00 am

May 2. Card Ministry 10:00 am / Long Range Planning 7:00 pm

May 3. Fellowship & Fitness 10:00 am Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm

May 5. Fellowship & Fitness 10:00 am

#### PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

**JOYS:** He is risen from the grave and He is Lord!

#### **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; 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; and Tammy Vann, friend of Sandy Kopanski

#### 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; Norbert Kopanski, John Kopanski's father; Sandy Kopanski, member; Stuart Kremer, friend of Andrea Jones; 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; Clint Roberts, Atlee & Linda Roberts' son; Kathy Rose, friend of Kim Schmidt; Barbara Walton, member; 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. The office number is 919-894-4063.

**Please Note** – All exterior doors are going to be locked except the main (center) Sanctuary doors by 11:10 each Sunday.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NEW!** Suggestion Box - In an effort to make it easier for you to communicate with the leadership of the church, a new link was recently added to the Providence Presbyterian Church webpage. An electronic suggestion box is now available. You can find the "Suggestion Box" listed near the top of the list of items on the right hand side of the home page. Click on the link to open a form to create a suggestion. All suggestions will be held strictly confidential; only members of the Session will be able to read suggestions.

Mission & Outreach – During the month of April we will be collecting men's, women's and children's gently used clothing for Pizazz. Their purpose is to support Harbor House, a safe haven emergency shelter for women and children that are victims of domestic violence. Please place your clothing items in a bag and put them next to the blue bins by the Upper FH. We are also asking for travel size personal health and hygiene items. These items are for the ladies and children who come to Harbor House. If you have any questions please contact Kelly Daniel at 919-639-2178 or by email at jdbootcamp@aol.com.

Men's Softball – Games this week are on Monday, April 24 at 8:30 pm and Thursday, April 27 at 6:30 pm. Games are played at Midway Baptist Church in Garner.

**Worship Committee Meeting** – Wednesday, April 26 at 6:45 pm in the Seekers classroom.

**Pack/Troop 210 Scouts Spaghetti Fundraiser** – Friday, April 28 from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm for lunch and 4:30 to 7:30 pm for dinner. Plates are \$8 each – come out and support the Scouts!

Senior Citizens Luncheon – The May Senior Citizens Luncheon will be on Tuesday, May 11 at 12:00 (noon), at Mount Zion United Methodist Church. Please let Margie Taylor know by Wednesday, May 3, so that the cooks will know how many to prepare food for. You may contact Margie at 919-207-0149 or margieataylor@aol.com.

**Fish Fry Sign Up Sheet** – The Fish Fry will be on Friday, May 19. If you are willing to help with the Fish Fry please sign up on the sheet located in the Upper FH. We are asking for everyone to please fill in where they are able. If you have any questions please contact Mark Nelms at 919-795-5893.

**Youth Middle/High School Camp Out** – Will be Saturday, May 20 at Jordan Lake. Come and join in for some fun and fellowship in the outdoors. Contact Eric Faircloth at 919-201-2696 or ericfaircloth@embarqmail.com for more details.

LOGOS End of Year Celebration – Will be held on Sunday, May 21 from 3:00 – 5:00 pm. This is a church-wide event, please RSVP to Georgeanna Phillips or Kristy Stephenson if you plan to join for supper. Accident waiver forms are located in the LOGOS mailbox and were sent via email to LOGOS participants and should be completed prior to the event.

**VBS Volunteer Announcement** – Planning is underway for Providence's VBS and we need YOUR help! Mark your calendar for the week of Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> through Thursday, July 27<sup>th</sup> and volunteer to be transported to a fun filled week at Maker Fun Factory! Signup electronically at - http://bit.ly/PPCVBS2017

**Sign-Up Sheet for Flowers** – Now located on the bulletin board beside the Mission & Outreach bulletin board just inside the door of the new part of the church building. It was moved due to the installation of the new sound system. You may contact Beth Pickens at 919-697-5663 or by email at bpickens80@gmail.com for help or information.

**Fellowship & Fitness Group -** They say if we do something 7 times we have developed a habit. Join us on Wednesday & Friday mornings at 10:00 am on the upper parking lot to develop a great new habit of walking. If it rains or is to hot we meet in the Upper Fellowship Hall and walk inside. This is the first day of the rest of our lives and a good time to develop a great habit. You can just come to walk at your own pace or set a goal you would like to meet.

**Fellowship Time Reminder** – David Collier would like to thank the groups who have volunteered for fellowship time and wants to extend an invitation to anyone or group if they would like to volunteer for a fourth or fifth Sunday this year to please contact him. You may contact David Collier at <a href="mailto:davidcollier123@yahoo.com">davidcollier123@yahoo.com</a>, or he can be reached at 919-625-3026.

**FOOD PANTRY** - Please bring your food donations for these worthy ministries and place them in the blue bins near the foyer doors leading into the Upper Fellowship Hall. While all donations are appreciated, the most needed items are given below.

#### BACKPACK BUDDIES MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- 1) individual serving/packets of 100% fruit juice
- 2) fruit cups (applesauce, peaches, pears)
- 3) individual serving packets of oatmeal/grits
- 4) soup

#### FOOD PANTRY MOST NEEDED ITEMS:

- 1) sugar
- 2) flour
- 3) paper towels
- 4) toilet paper
- 5) clothes washing detergent
- 6) dish washing detergent

**Bulletin 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: the bulletin deadline for next week is Wednesday morning, April 26.
- Kim will be out of the office from May 1, 2017 and return on May 8.
- Mary Ann Booth will be doing the bulletin for Sunday, May 7. If you have any announcements during that week please contact Mary Ann Booth at mabooth 1@gmail.com.

#### RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

#### **Presentation of Candidates**

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. Obeying the word of our Lord Jesus, and confident of His promises, we baptize those whom God has called. In Baptism God claims us, and seals us to show that we belong to God. God frees us from sin and death, uniting us with Jesus Christ in His death and resurrection. By water and the Holy Spirit, we are made members of the church, the body of Christ, and joined to Christ's ministry of love, peace, and justice. Let us remember with joy our own baptism, as we celebrate this sacrament.

**Elder**: On behalf of the session, I present **Wendy Flesch and Patricia Poole** as new members through Letter of Transfer.

You come to us as a member of one holy catholic church, into which you were baptized, and by which you have been nurtured. We are one with each other, sisters and brothers in the family of God. We rejoice in the gifts you bring to us. As you join with us in the worship and service of this congregation, it is fitting that together we reaffirm the covenant into which we were baptized, claiming again the promises of God which are ours in baptism.

#### **Profession of Faith**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith (*In Unison*)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; On the third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

#### **Reaffirmation of Faith**

Trusting in the gracious mercy of God, do you turn from the ways of sin and renounce evil and its power in the world?

#### I Do

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior, trusting in His grace and love?

#### I Do

With God's help, will you be a faithful disciple, obeying His Word and showing His love.

#### I Will

Will you be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

## I will, with God's help

## **Words of Welcome**

Through their baptism, Wendy and Patricia have been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church, affirming the covenant into which they were baptized. As members of the household of God, God has called them to serve Christ in the world. Let us welcome them to this ministry.

Please greet Wendy and Patricia in the love and joy of Christ after worship on the steps.

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