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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

At McGee's Crossroads 919.894.4063 14664 NC Hwy 210, Angier, NC 27501 www.providencepresb.org

SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER MAY 28, 2017

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship (from Psalm 26) Travis Creech

Leader: Vindicate me, O LORD, for I have walked in my

integrity,

People: and I have trusted in the LORD without wavering.

Leader: O LORD, I love the house in which You dwell,

People: and the place where Your glory abides.

Leader: Do not sweep me away with sinners, nor my life with

the bloodthirsty,

People: But as for me, I walk in my integrity; Leader: redeem me, and be gracious to me. People: My foot stands on level ground;

in the great congregation I will bless the LORD. All:

*Opening Hymn "Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!"

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O God, our Creator and Redeemer, hear our confession. Forgive us for the sinful things we do and forgive us for the good things we do not do. O Lord, forgive us our misguided deeds that are stumbling blocks to others and change our hearts and fill us with Your joy and love so our eyes might be opened to the truth revealed in seeking You. Transform our hearts so that we may be truly thankful in the knowledge of Your love and respond with integrity to our neighbors.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: Through the blood of the risen Lord we are

redeemed!

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

*Responsive Hymn "Grace Alone"

*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

Daniel 3:13-18

Anthem "Let's Talk About Jesus" Providence Choir

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson

Luke 12:1-5

Sermon

"Christian Integrity"

Rev. Jim Davis

*Dedication Hymn "The Church's One Foundation" #544

*Acolyte and *Benediction

Postlude

#136

#436

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!

May Scripture Passage

⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. ⁷ If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him." 8 Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹ Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰ Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. 11 Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. 12 Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. ¹³ I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14 If in my name you ask me¹ for anything, I will do it. John 14:6-14

^{*}Signifies Congregation to Stand

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church

The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor Rev. Jim Davis

Session

Class of 2017				
Long Range Plann	ing Fellows hip	Youth C.E.	Worship	
Tony Bryant	David Collier	Barri Martin	Donna Stolle	
	Clas	s of 2018		
Finance	Congregational Ca		Property	
Sam Stephenson	n Kent Walton	Atlee Roberts	Russell Wood	
	<u>Clas</u>	s of 2019		
Children C.E.	Mission & Outreach	Clerk	Personnel	
ickie Faircloth	John Kopanski	Mary Ann Booth	Stephanie Bagley	
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Staff

Accounting Treasurer
Kristy Stephenson

Collections Treasurer
Ann Benson

Music Director/Organist/Pianist Brittany Jones

Pianist Angie Searcy

Website David Nelms Usher Coordinator Russell Wood

Secretary Kimberly Callis

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Weekly Statistics

Weenly States			
Year-to-Date General Fund Receipts (thru April 30) \$96,061.88			
Year-to-Date General Fund Expenses (thru April 30) \$101,241.29			
General Fund Receipts for April	\$27,225.96		
General Fund Expenses for April	\$26,178.42		
General Fund Receipts for May 14	\$4,568.97		
General Fund Receipts for May 21	\$1,933.00		
Total General Fund Receipts (May)	\$13,906.57		
Capital Reserve Account	\$84,717.80		
Current Loan Balance	\$1,055,548.02		
Attendance for Sunday School May 21			
Attendance for Worship May 21			

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Vickie Faircloth

Ushers: Ronnie Creech & Wayne Lamm, Israel Morrow (Back)

Acolyte: Hannibal Langdon

Nursery: Sue Bryant & Kristy Stephenson

No Children's Worship Lay Reader: Travis Creech

Fellowship Time: Fellowship Committee

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, June 4

Elder of the Month/Greeter: David Collier

Ushers: Don Dupree & Hamilton Greene, Carlos Bagley (Back)

Acolyte: Phoebe Creech

Nursery: Lisa Nelms & Carolyn Stuart Children's Worship: Stephanie Whitley

Lay Reader: Chase Faircloth Fellowship Time: Young Adults

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence:

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

Weekly Events:

May 28. Memorial Day/Office Closed

May 31. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 amJune 2. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am

Upcoming Events:

June 4. Communion Sunday/Day of Pentecost

June 5. Congregational Care Meeting 10:00 am

June 6. Card Ministry 10:00 am

Long Range Planning Meeting 7:00 pm

June 7. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm

June 9. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am

June 11. Trinity Sunday/Graduate Sunday

Please Note – All exterior doors will be locked except the main (center) Sanctuary doors by 11:10 AM each Sunday.

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

<u>JOYS:</u> Happy Memorial Day! Thank you to all who have served!

<u>CONCERNS:</u> Marie Rouse, our delivery driver from Whitley's wife, health 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; and Wayne and Mary Toler, Dorothy Nesselrodt's sister and brother-in-law

Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

Nancy Allen, Sheila Dupree's mom; Randy Benson, member; 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; Vivian Harris, Pete Booth's sister; 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; Kenneth Weathers, Wendy Stephenson's brother-in-law; Candy Weaver, friend of Amanda McLamb; 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Gracious Dismissal Update - The Special Committee of the Congregation (SCC) has begun its work as your representatives to negotiate the terms of dismissal from the Presbytery of New Hope. The committee, Kristy Stephenson, Jeff Wood, Steve Nordan and Mary Ann Booth, is compiling the information requested by the Presbytery in preparation for the start of negotiations in late summer. The members of the SCC pledge that we will conduct our work ethically, morally, legally, and in the best interest of the congregation. The SCC asks for your prayers.

Next steps in the process:

- 1. The SCC will complete the collection of information to mail on or around June 1, 2017 to Ed McLeod, chair of the Presbytery Discernment Team from New Hope Presbytery.
- 2. July 25, 2017 New Hope Presbytery meets; a Presbytery Engagement Team (PET) will be appointed to negotiate the terms for dismissal with the SCC from Providence.
- 3. The SCC will meet together as it deems necessary in advance of and during the negotiations with the New Hope PET. Updates will be provided to you as we proceed.
- 4. Once there is agreement between the PET and SCC on the terms of dismissal, the congregation of Providence will be called together to vote of the terms. Upon approval by the congregation, the Presbytery will vote on the terms.

<u>Timeline for Dismissal</u>:

- The earliest possible date on which the Presbytery could vote to dismiss Providence to a new denomination is October 28, 2017, just three months after the commissioning of the PET by the Presbytery.
- The next date on which Providence could be dismissed is in February of 2018.

Senior Citizens Luncheon – The June, Senior Citizens Luncheon will be on Tuesday, June 13 at 12:00 (noon), at White Memorial Presbyterian Church. Please let Margie Taylor know by Wednesday, June 7, so that the cooks will know how many to prepare food for. You may contact Margie at 919-207-0149 or margieatyalor@aol.com.

Please Note – The Fellowship & Fitness Walking Group WILL meet for the Summer. We are so fortunate to be able to walk inside when it rains or is hot, otherwise will be in the Upper parking lot. Come join us Wednesdays and Fridays at 10:00 am.

Session Minutes – Highlights of the minutes of the April Session meeting are in the May newsletter in the Narthex.

Monthly Church Newsletter –If you do not have a computer, you can pick up a paper copy of the newsletter in the Narthex. The May newsletter is now available.

Graduate Sunday – Is coming soon! If you are graduating from high school or college and you have not let us know, please contact Kim Callis by email at ppchurchsecretary@gmail.com or call the church office at 919-894-4063. Graduate Sunday, is June 11.

Sunday School Teachers – The Fall sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway beside the door separating the new and old sections of the church.

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

VBS Registration - Online registration for VBS is now open at www.providencepresb.org. Click on the "Maker Fun Factory" logo on the left side of the home page to register online. It's so helpful to have as many children pre-registered as possible, so that we can welcome every child at VBS while being good stewards of our budget. (It also helps us get families checked in and headed to supper quickly on the first night of VBS.) Don't forget to invite your friends and neighbors to register online as well! We look forward to seeing all of you for a faith-filled and fun VBS this summer!

Mission & Outreach Committee – We have two openings for committee members. If you feel so led please join us the 4th Tuesday of the month at 11:00 am in the Seekers Sunday School Classroom. See John Kopanski, Kelly Daniel, Donna Stolle or Donna Walker if you have questions.

Mission & Outreach (Bed Linen Donations) - This is to inform the congregation that the M&O committee will be conducting a bed linen drive for the residents of Stagecoach Manor. The type of bed linen that is needed is twin size fitted sheets with the preferred color of white. The linen drive will be conducted starting on May 28th and concluding on June 11, 2017. If you would like to participate, you can place your donation (s) by the blue containers (used to for food pantry and backpack buddies) located in the upper fellowship hall. If you have any questions, please contact any of the following committee members: Kelly Daniel, Donna Stolle, Donna Walker, or John Kopanski.

Nursery Helpers – We are in need of helpers for the nursery during Worship. If you would like to sign up to be in rotation for helping in the nursery please contact Kim Callis at secretary@providencepresb.org or call the church office at 919-894-2219.

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 **Richard and Miriam Lambert** 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, Richard and Miriam 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 Rich and Miriam in the love and joy of Christ after worship on the steps.

Richard (Rich) and Miriam Lambert

278 Camden Drive Angier, NC 27501 Richard: 580-370-5913 Miriam: 580-307-4246

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