

**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

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**ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 20, 2017**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship (from Psalm 100) Travis Creech

Leader: *Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.*

People: *Worship the LORD with gladness*

Leader: *come into his presence with singing.*

People: *Know that the LORD is God.*

Leader: *It is he that made us, and we are his;*

People: *we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

Leader: *Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.*

People: *Give thanks to him, bless his name.*

Leader: *For the LORD is good;*

People: *his steadfast love endures forever*

All: *Let us worship the LORD our God*

***Opening Hymn** "Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us" #440

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O Lord God our Redeemer, We confess our sin to You this day. We cry out to You in the midst of our misgivings and apathy. Open our eyes that we may truly see our neighbor – the poor, the helpless, the forgotten, the broken, the homeless, and all Your children we walk by everyday. Help us to repent of our sins and short-sightedness, draw us close to You and transform our hearts that we may give witness to Your Love, Truth, and Grace. May we trust Your enduring love and power to change our lives in accordance with the knowledge and joy of life abundant in Jesus Christ our risen Savior.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *Your steadfast love is our comfort according to Your promise,*

People: *Our sins are washed clean with the blood of Jesus Christ, Amen!*

***Responsive Hymn** "Lord, Be Glorified" #465

***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

First Scripture Lesson

1 John 4:7-16

Anthem "We Shall Mount Up With Wings Like Eagles"

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude for Children's Worship

(Children ages 4 thru 5th grade led by Stephanie Whitley)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Second Scripture Lesson

Mark 4:26-29

Sermon "The Harvest of God's Love" Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn** "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #59

***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!

August Scripture Passage

⁸ ...Good and upright is the LORD; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. ⁹ He leads the humble in what is right, and teaches the humble in his way. ¹⁰ All the paths of the LORD are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his decrees. ¹¹ For your name's sake, O LORD, pardon my guilt, for it is great.

Psalm 25: 8-11

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>
Vickie Faircloth	John Kopanski	Mary Ann Booth

Staff

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

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Weekly Statistics

Year-to-Date General Fund Receipts (thru July 31).....	\$159,731.30
Year-to-Date General Fund Expenses (thru July 31) ...	\$176,227.47
General Fund Receipts for July	\$21,336.34
General Fund Expenses for July	\$25,994.27
General Fund Receipts for August 13	\$3,777.00
Total General Fund Receipts for August	9,242.00
Capital Reserve Account	\$84,728.48
Current Loan Balance	\$1,033,932.53
Attendance for Sunday School August 13	69
Attendance for Worship August 13	92

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Tony Bryant
Ushers: Ronnie Creech & Rick Taylor, Justin Wood (Back)
Acolyte: Ava Wood
Nursery: Jonathan Breeden & Emma Phillips
Children's Worship: Stephanie Whitley
Lay Reader: Travis Creech
Fellowship Time: Nesselrodt Class

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, August 20

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Tony Bryant
Ushers: Eric Faircloth & Eric Smith, Riley Wood (Back)
Acolyte: Charlotte Wood
Nursery: Chris & Kristy Stephenson
Children's Worship: Beth Breeden
Lay Reader: Justin Wood
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:

Aug 23. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
 Usher's Meeting 7:00 pm
 Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm
 September Newsletter Deadline
Aug 24. Card Ministry Prep Team I – 1:00 pm LaVette Morgan's home
 Mission & Outreach 11:00 am
Aug 25. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am

Upcoming Events:

Aug 30. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
 Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm
Sep 1. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Sep 5. Card Ministry 10:00 am Upper Fellowship Hall
 Long Range Planning 7:00 pm
Sep 22. Youth BBQ 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

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

JOYS: We thank you God for our many blessings!

CONCERNS: Charles Miller, Donna Stolle's brother, missing in Orlando.

Deaths: Justin Cole Bennett, member of the community died; Wanita Honeycutt, Elaine Wood's aunt died; Rose Stephenson Hollingsworth, member of the community died; Norbert Kopanski, John Kopanski's father died

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; Virginia Moore, at Brookdale Assisted Living in Smithfield; 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; Ann Hargis, community; Consuelo Hawkins, Joe Hawkins' mother; Luke Jordan, friend of Christina Jones; Carol Mayben, Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law; Harold Pitman, Joyce Lamm's brother; 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; Wanda Johnson Dupree, previous member; Gayla Edmond, Stephanie Wood's mom; Coby Foreman, church family; 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; Kathy Rose, friend of Kim Schmidt; Marie Rouse, delivery driver's wife; Barbara Walton, member; 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 9:00am until 12:00pm, with varying additional hours in the afternoons. All hours are subject to pastoral demands. The office number is 919-894-4063.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LOGOS - The first LOGOS meeting will be Sunday, September 17 from 5:00 – 7:00 pm. Please use the link on the website to register. If you feel called to serve in this ministry of our church, please contact Kristy Stephenson or Vickie Faircloth.

Activities - Several special activities will take place during our first meeting.

- **Children/Youth Christmas play practice** will be held beginning at 5:00 pm during Worship Arts time in the Choir Room and
- **Acolyte Training** will be held during Bible Study Time in the Sanctuary beginning at 5:30 pm for children in grades K-5.

Youth BBQ – The Youth BBQ has been set for Friday, September 22, 2017. We will need everyone's help to pull this wonderful fundraiser off successfully for our youth! There will be signup sheets in the Fellowship Hall and on the PPC information wall. Any questions related to the BBQ can be directed to Scott Martin: martin4nc@gmail.com or Eric Faircloth: ericfaircloth@embarqmail.com

Update - Search for Church Secretary – The Session has begun its search for a new part-time secretary. The part-time job is posted on Johnston County Today – formerly 40/42 – and on the church website under "Employment." Please tell everyone you know whom you think would be interested in the position. Direct them to the church website as the easiest way to apply. The website is <http://www.providencepresb.org/>. Closing date is September 15.

Bulletin Responsibility – Cathy Simmons has volunteered to help Rev. Davis compose the Sunday bulletins and create the monthly newsletters. Please remember that the deadline for the bulletin is noon on Thursday. If you have announcements or changes for the bulletin, please contact Cathy at cesimmons112@gmail.com.

Vote on Future Denomination – In the coming weeks, you will receive a letter from the Session inviting you to meet on separate occasions with representatives of two Presbyterian denominations – ECO and EPC. A Congregational vote will be held shortly after these meetings to determine which denomination the majority of members prefer. Please be alert to future communications from the Session about this upcoming opportunity.

Ushers Meeting -- New and old volunteers, if you are interested in assisting with usher duties at Providence Church, please meet on Wed, 23 Aug at 7:00pm for a small orientation mtg. Please send Donna Stolle an email indicating if you no longer wish to be included on the usher list. Thanks for everyone's assistance.

July Financial Statements – There are copies available in the front of the church of the July financial statements.

The Fellowship & Fitness Walking Group – “Exercise daily – walk with Jesus.” We would also like you to walk with us Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00 am. Meet in the Upper Fellowship Hall.

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

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.

Homecoming Sunday Planning – The Fellowship Committee is needing volunteers to help with this year's Homecoming Sunday. If you would like to be a part of this year's Committee please contact David Collier by email or phone at davidcollier123@yahoo.com or 919-625-2026.

Reserved Visitor Row – Just a reminder, the third row from the vestibule, on both sides of the aisle, is reserved for visitors. These rows are marked as such. Your assistance in helping to make our visitors feel welcomed is greatly appreciated.

Reminder – Please email items listed below to ppchurchsecretary@gmail.com or Cathy Simmons at cesimmons112@gmail.com if you need to:

- Add or remove anyone from the prayer list
- Schedule use of the upper or lower fellowship hall
- Directory updates

- **Please Note:** Bulletin deadline is noon **Thursday** if you wish for an announcement to appear in the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday.