

**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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**FORTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 11, 2018**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship (From Psalm 65) Doug Sonderfan

Leader: *Praise is due to You, O God, O you who answers prayer!*

People: When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us, You forgive our transgressions.

Leader: *Happy are those whom You choose and bring near to live in Your courts.*

People: We shall be satisfied with the goodness of Your house, Your holy temple.

Leader: *By awesome deeds You answer us with deliverance*

People: O God of our salvation; You are the hope of all the Ends of the earth

Leader: *You make the gateways of the morning and the evening shout for joy.*

All: Together with all creation we sing Your praises. Let us worship God!

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

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: *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 # 63
"Give to Our God Immortal Praise"**

***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

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn #34

First Scripture Lesson

Daniel 9:4-11

Anthem

"Look To The Cross"

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

Daniel 9:17-19

Sermon

"Forgive Us Our Debts"

Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn**

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"Grace Greater Than Our Sins"

***Acolyte and Benediction**

Postlude

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

Please feel free to take home your printed bulletin. Thank you for placing any discarded bulletins in a trash receptacle as you depart the building.

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

For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God -- ⁹ not the result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰ For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Ephesians 2:8-10

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church

The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor

Rev. Jim Davis

Session

Class of 2018

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

Class of 2019

<i>Children C.E.</i>	<i>Mission & Outreach</i>	<i>Worship</i>	<i>Clerk</i>
Vickie Faircloth	John Kopanski	Donna Stolle	Mary Ann Booth

Class of 2020

<i>Fellowship</i>	<i>Personnel</i>	<i>Youth C.E.</i>	<i>Property</i>
David Collier	Cathy Simmons	Kevin Creech	Steve Newnam

Staff

Accounting Treasurer

Sam Stephenson

Collections Treasurer

Ann Benson

Music Director/Organist/Pianist

Brittany Jones

Pianist

Angie Searcy

Website

David Nelms

Usher Coordinator

Russell Wood

Secretary

Cindy Lynch

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Weekly Statistics

Total 2017 General Fund Receipts.....	\$272,788.27
Total 2017 General Fund Expenses	\$293,819.56
General Fund Receipts for January	\$17,508.27
General Fund Expenses for January.....	\$26,746.77
Total General Fund Receipts for February.....	\$20,179.49
General Fund Receipts for March 4.....	\$4,767.00
Capital Reserve Account.....	\$88,083.38
Loan Balance as of January 31.....	\$970,344.85
Attendance for Sunday School February 25.....	83
Attendance for Worship February 25.....	123

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

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Donna Stolle

Ushers: Johnny Wood and Riley Wood

Acolyte: Joey Crocker

Nursery: Chris and Christy Stephenson

Children's Worship: Stephanie Whitley

Lay Reader: Doug Sonderfan

Fellowship Time: Seekers Class

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, March 18

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Donna Stolle

Ushers: Jeff Wood, Justin Wood & Wayne Lamm

Acolyte: Charlotte Wood

Nursery: Mary Langdon and Beth Pickens

Children's Worship: Beth Breeden

Lay Reader: Kevin Creech

Fellowship Time: Nesselrodt Class

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence:

9:45 am: Sunday School

10:25 am: Fellowship Time

11:00 am: Worship Service

Weekly Events:

- Mar 11.** Forth Sunday in Lent – Worship 11:00 am
Daylight Saving Time Starts
- Mar 12.** Session Meeting 7:00 pm
- Mar 13.** Senior Luncheon at Mount Zion United Methodist
M&O Universal Assisted Living Visit 2:00 pm
Breakfast Committee Meeting 7:00 pm
- Mar 14.** Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm
- Mar 16.** CP&SA, Bake Sale, Crafts 11:00-7:30 pm

Upcoming Events:

- Mar 18.** Fifth Sunday in Lent – Worship 11:00 am
LOGOS 5:00 pm
- Mar 19.** Personnel Committee Meet 7:00 pm Seekers Room
- Mar 20.** PPW Circles meet 10:00 am and 7:00 pm, UFH
- Mar 21.** Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Adult Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm
- Mar 22.** M&O Meeting 11:00 am, Seekers Room
- Mar 23.** Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: Let your light shine ...

Matthew 5:16

CONCERNS:

Members of the Providence Family in Long-Term Care:

Brack Johnson at *Classic Care in Smithfield*; **Marilyn Johnson** at *Barbour Court in Smithfield*; **Pauline Jones**, at *Liberty Commons in Benson*; **Virginia Moore**, *The Laurels in Pineville*; **Bobbie Langdon**, at *Highland Village in Cary*.

Persons Living with Cancer, including:

Charity Arrington, friend of *Georgianna*; **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; **Ashley Faircloth**, niece of *Beck McLamb*; **Becky Hall**, friend of *Carolyn Johnson*; **Ann Hargis**, community; **Consuelo Hawkins**, *Joe Hawkins' mother*; **Carol Mayben**, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law*; **Laura McLamb**, member; **Ben Snelling**, friend of *John Kopanski*; **Linda Stangl**, friend of *Miriam Lambert*; **Randy Stephenson**, *Jon Nooney's cousin*; **Chad Talley**, friend of *John Pickens*; **Candy Weaver**, friend of *Amanda McLamb*.

Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

Nancy Allen, *Sheila Dupree's mom*; **Brenda Bachlor**, *Linda Robert's niece*; **Sara Barber**, *Vickie Faircloth's mother*; **Worth Bowman**, member; **Dakota Boyd**, niece of *Elaine Wood*; **Brianna Bryant**, 9 month old daughter of friend of *Stephanie Wood*; **Mary Burke**, *Steve Wolak's mother*; **Elise Corona**, daughter of a friend of *Sue Bryant*; **Lynn Cross**, member; **Joan Daniel**, *John Daniel's mother*; **Wanda Johnson Dupree**, previous member; **Barbara Ellis**, mother of *Georgeanna Phillips*; **Coby Foreman**, church family; **George Johnson**, *Debbie Sturgis' father*; **Mike Kefauver**, *Brittany Jones' father*; **Sandy Kopanski**, member; **Harley Kremer**, *Andrea Jones niece*; **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; **John Wright**, *Chris Nooney's father and Eva Younts, Nadine Reed's Aunt*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ushers Needed - If you are interested in volunteering to usher, please contact Donna Stolle. She can send you a document detailing what an usher does. Contact Donna if you are just curious and would like to learn what all ushering entails. If you are currently on the usher list but need to be removed, please send an email to the church secretary, Cindy Lynch at ppchurchsecretary@gmail.com. Please cc: Donna Stolle at dms6330@gmail.com.

Mid-Term Personnel Evaluations: The Personnel Committee is in the process of conducting Mid-Term Evaluations for our Staff and our Pastor for their performance over the last 6 months. Areas include Worship Service, Pastoral Care, Leadership, Administration, Teaching and Evangelism. We welcome any feedback in any areas you would like to give to our Committee. Contact any member of the Personnel Committee with your comments and/or suggestions. Your Committee members are: Brenda Byrd at mama_byrd@hotmail.com, Nathan Dry at nathandry@aol.com, Rich Lambert at sumner1980@hotmail.com, Cathy Simmons at cathysimmons@parkerpoe.com, Carolyn Stevenson at cjsangier@icloud.com or Jeff Wood at jdwood72@gmail.com. You may also put any comments and/or suggestions in the Personnel Committee mailbox.

MISSION & OUTREACH: To all that may be interested, Divine Street United Methodist Church of Dunn, NC is sponsoring a mission event in conjunction with the organization “**Rise Against Hunger**” (website: www.riseagainsthunger.org). Participating in the event will be other local area churches and civic group organizations. The greatest need is volunteers to package food products. The event will be conducted on Saturday, March 24 at the Dunn Shriner Center. It is located at 211 Clinton Avenue. Food packing will be conducted from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Those that want to participate need to be at the center by 8:45 am. Volunteer pre-registration is recommended. If interested please contact John Kopanski via e-mail at jkopanski@live.com by Wed., March 21.

Bulletin Deadline is the end of the business day Wednesday for an announcement to appear in the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday. Thank you for your help in expediting this information.

The M&O Universal Assisted Living Facility Visit will be on Tuesday, March 13 at 2:00. We will help with Bingo at 2:00 and then pass out the snack bags and sodas to the 51 residents.

The March Senior Luncheon is at Mount Zion United Methodist Church on the 13th. If you plan on attending, please let Margie Taylor know by Wednesday 7 at 919-207-0149 or margieataylor@aol.com so the cooks will know how many to prepare for.

Chicken Pastry Tickets: Please return any Pastry tickets that you do not have a potential sale for **and any collected ticket money** from ticket sales. These need to be turned in to Joyce Lamm, Becky Kleaver, Linda Roberts, or Kay Dry **today Sunday, March 11**. The balance of your tickets and/or money should be returned by the day of the pastry sale, March 16. Tickets may be purchased day of Pastry sale at the door.

Breakfast Committee Meeting (for the Easter Sunrise Service) will be **Tuesday, March 13 at 7:00 pm.**

One Great Hour of Sharing - Is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world. On Sunday, 18 March the “fish” donation boxes will be distributed in Children’s Worship. The kids can take the boxes home, color them, donate coins and return the boxes on Palm Sunday, 25 March. Pastor Jim will call the kids to bring the boxes forward. Special envelopes will also be available on the 18th for cash or check donations. Bring the envelopes back on the 25th. (Mom and Dad can color the envelopes if they want to.) ☺

High School/Middle School Youth Outing: Saturday, March 24 at Tree Top Adventure at GoApe Adventures in Raleigh. This is a great opportunity for youth to fellowship in the outdoors. The adventure includes zip lines, rope courses and teambuilding activities. Any questions please contact Eric Faircloth (ericfaircloth@embarqmail.com).

Candy Donations for Easter Celebration March 31 – Anyone that would like to donate candy for the eggs may place their baggies in the tote provided at the UFH. Contact Vicky Faircloth or Anna Creech for questions. **In addition to candy, we need pennies and nickels** to make the kids’ Easter craft. If you have some that you would like to donate, please give them to Annah Creech by Sunday March 25th.

The Fellowship and Fitness Walking Group is NOT meeting Friday March 16 due to the CP&SA. We will resume Wednesday, March 21.

Sunday School Classrooms have moved! Due to a wonderful problem, some of our Sunday School classes outgrew the rooms where they were meeting. Fortunately, we had solutions. Some classes have moved. These are the classes that have moved and the rooms that they will have moved to:

- **Nursery** moved to the K-2 classroom
- **K-2** classroom moved to the Preschool room
- **Preschool** class moved to the Nursery
- **3-5** classroom moved to the Nesselrodt room
- **Nesselrodt** class moved to the 3-5 room

THIS IS IT! - Chicken Pastry is Friday (16 March) -- Sign-up sheets are in the Upper Fellowship Hall. This is a big event, the main beneficiary of which is a donation towards principal pay down on the current mortgage. We are still in need of assistance in multiple areas. If you have said "I can help, just put me where you need me," we say "Thank you!!" We now ask you to please look at the sign-up sheets and indicate where and when you can help. You know better than anyone else your exact availability. "Many hands make light work" and we can use all the hands we can get to pull off a successful event. "Success" is: 1) delivering a delicious meal to the hungry customers who return each year, 2) making a profit so we can reduce the mortgage debt and support other ministries, 3) hosting folks in the community who are first-time visitors to our church, 4) hosting folks who are returning visitors at PPC who might now choose to worship with us, 5) fellowship and fun experienced from working together while planning and executing this event. -- **"Keep on loving each other as brothers and sisters. Don't forget to show hospitality to strangers, for some who have done this have entertained angels without realizing it!" Hebrews 13:1-2 NLT**

YOUTH: We Need You! -- We need folks to wait on the tables in the UFH dining room on Friday, 16 March for CP&SA. Could you please sign up to serve sometime from 4:00 to 7:30pm? Thank you!!

Bake Sale and Crafts/CP&SA – Calling all Cooks (Kitchen Engineers and Apprentices) and Crafters! Please donate a sample of your favorite food: pies, cakes, cookies, candy, snacks, jelly, pickles, etc. Bring "ready to serve" or as a certificate to "make on request". Crafters, there is a section to showcase your handiwork; if you like to knit and crochet, jewelry makers, woodworkers, potters, weavers, painters and paper artists. Contact Carolyn Stevenson.

Silent Auction Items Needed Now CP&SA/Crafts – We are **NOW** accepting Donations for our Silent Auction!! Please drop off donations in the Choir Room on designated Silent Auction tables. Please complete Donation Form(s) provided on the tables and attach to your donated item(s). Please consider donating items in the following categories: Antiques and Collectibles, Entertainment/Family Events/Vacations, Food Items (Made to order cakes, cheesecakes, pies, Boston Butt, Dinners, etc.), Home Items (Kitchen, framed pictures, Thirty-one, etc.) Personal Items (gift baskets, gift cards/certificates, etc.), Services (car wash, babysitting, etc.), All items should be new or nearly new. Please email Cathy Simmons (cesimmons112@gmail.com) with any questions or call 919-491-5674. Donations will be accepted through today, Sunday, March 11.

Miriam Lambert and her family would like to thank the members of our church for the prayers of comfort and cards of sympathy concerning the passing of her mother, Lucy Alligood.

All Youth who have completed 6th grade and are interested in going to Ft. Caswell this summer, July 16-21 need to RSVP to Barri Martin (bhmartin74@gmail) or Kevin Creech (kmocreech@gmail.com). Youth need to pay their \$50 deposit by March 25. We will also need some parent volunteers to help chaperone this retreat. Chaperones will not need to pay a deposit. The youth had a wonderful time last year and who wouldn't want to spend a week at the beach! Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to help support our PPC Youth.

PPC Women's Fellowship Outings in March/April:

Movie and Lunch/Dinner (optional): *I Can Only Imagine*, showing at Regal White Oak Theater, Garner, NC (March 24, 25, 31 – movie time to be determined) Tickets \$10 Starring: Dennis Quaid, Trace Adkins, Cloris Leachman, Priscilla Shirer, Amy Grant, etc. Based on the hit single from Christian band MercyMe, "I Can Only Imagine" tells the life story of the band's front man, Bart Millard.

Easter Drama: Benson Grove Baptist Church "Through Peter's Eyes": March 24, 25, 28, and 30 at 7:00 pm. Tickets Free – Reservations Required.

Play: *Walking Across Egypt* at Neuse Little Theatre, Smithfield, NC (April 15 at 3:00 pm) Tickets \$13/\$15 Adapted by Catherine Bush from novel by Clyed Edgerton. Upon discovering a stray dog on her back porch, Mattie Rigsbee decides she's too old to keep a pet and calls the dogcatcher. Little does she know the dogcatcher, Lamar Benfield, will open her eyes to a whole world she never knew existed, a world that includes car theft, prison breaks and a juvenile delinquent named Welsey who is as desperate for a family as she is. Armed with only her mouthwatering corn bread and a deep abiding faith in the Almighty, Mattie is determined to woo Wesley to the side of God and Good southern manners.

Contact: If you have interest in attending the movie, Easter Drama or play, please email Cathy Simmons your choice(s) and preferred dates/times at cesimmons112@gmail.com or call 919-275-4399. Please stay tuned, more outings to come and feel free to pass on info for any future outings you are aware of.

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

Please Note – The Bulletin deadline for an announcement to appear in the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday is Wednesday by the **end of the Business Day**.

The Newsletter items deadline is the **23rd** of the month.

Reminder – Please email ppchurchsecretary@gmail.com if you need to:

- Add or remove anyone from the prayer list
- Schedule use of the Upper or Lower Fellowship Halls
- Update the Directory