

**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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**FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
MARCH 31, 2019**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship (from Psalm 147) Mary Ann Booth
Leader: *Praise the LORD! How good it is to sing praises to our God;*

People: *For He is gracious, and a song of praise is fitting.*
Leader: *The LORD builds up Jerusalem; He gathers the outcasts of Israel.*

People: *He heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds.*

Leader: *Great is our Lord, and abundant in power;*

People: *His understanding is beyond measure.*

All: *Praise the Lord, O Jerusalem! Praise God!*

***Opening Hymn** "O Worship The King" # 2

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O LORD our God, You have called us to be your people and claimed us for the service of Jesus Christ. We confess that we have fallen short of our calling. We have been timid and frightened, forgetful of Your powerful presence and the strength of Your Holy Spirit among us. O God, forgive our foolish and sinful ways. Renew us through Your Holy Spirit that we may be given all the gifts of grace needed to fulfill our calling as Your disciples; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior. Amen.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *What can wash away our sins?*

People: *Nothing but the blood of Jesus.*

Leader: *Jesus redeemed us through His blood;*

People: *He forgave our sins, through the riches of God's grace. Amen!*

***Responsive Hymn** # 658

"Our God Is An Awesome God"

***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 Psalm 147:1-12

Anthem "And the Crowd Cried Out" Providence Choir

Musical Interlude for Children's Worship
(Children ages 4 thru 5th grade led by Kristy Stephenson)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson Ephesians 4:1-7

Sermon "The Measure of Christ's Gift" Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn** # 473

"What a Friend We Have In Jesus"

***Acolyte and Benediction**

Postlude

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

Please feel free to take home your printed bulletin. Thank you for placing any discarded bulletins, and other debris, 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

²³ Jesus answered him, "Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. ²⁴ Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. ²⁵ "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. ²⁸ You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. **John 14:23-28**

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church

The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor

Rev. Jim Davis

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

Class of 2021

<i>Financial</i>	<i>Congregational Care</i>	<i>Fellowship</i>	<i>Long Range Planning</i>
Sam Stephenson	Carolyn Johnson	Jonathan Kershaw	Scott Martin

Staff

Accounting Treasurer
Wendy Stephenson

Collections Treasurer
Ann Benson

Music Director/Organist/Pianist
Brittany Jones

Pianist
Angie Searcy

Secretary
Cindy Lynch

Website
David Nelms

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Weekly Statistics

2019 General Fund Receipts through February	\$40,003.51
2019 General Fund Expenses through February	\$48,171.32
General Fund Receipts for February	\$19,872.99
General Fund Expenses for February	\$22,304.60
General Fund Receipts so far for March	\$18,875.33
General Fund Receipts for March 24	\$3,237.61
Attendance for Sunday School March 24.....	74
Attendance for Worship March 24.....	84

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

Secretary's Office Hours – Monday - Friday, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm.
The office number is 919-894-4063.

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Donna Stolle
Ushers: Ryan Nelms, Joseph Phillips and Atlee Roberts (Back)
Acolyte: William Stephenson
Nursery: Elaine Wood and Grace Martin
Children's Worship: Kristy and Chris Stephenson
Lay Reader: Mary Ann Booth
Fellowship Time: Encouragers Class
Safety/Security: David Collier

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, April 7

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Johnathan Kershaw
Ushers: Jimmy Stuart, Rick Taylor and Jeff Wood (Back)
Acolyte: Gavin Annis
Nursery: Liz Annis and Alisha Bradley
Children's Worship: Stephanie and Rob Wood
Lay Reader: David Collier
Fellowship Time: Young Adults Class
Safety/Security: Wade Johnson

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence

9:45 am: Sunday School

10:25 am: Fellowship Time

11:00 am: Worship Service

Weekly Events

Apr. 2. Card Ministry UFH 10:00 am
Long Range Planning Meeting 7:00 pm

Apr. 3. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Adult choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm

Apr. 4. PW Coord. Team Mtg./CP&SA 7:00 pm
Fish Fry Volunteer Mtg. 7:30 UFH

Apr. 5. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am

Apr. 6. "Unbroken" Women's April Outing 1:00 pm

Upcoming Events

Apr. 7. Fifth Sunday in Lent
LOGOS 5:00 pm

Apr. 8. Session Meeting 7:00 pm

Apr. 9. Senior Luncheon 12:00 at White Memorial Church
M&O Universal Visit 1:00 pm

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

Apr. 12. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: to each one of us, grace has been given!

Ephesian 4:7

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;
Virginia Moore, at The Laurels in Pineville; **Bobbie Langdon**, at Highland Village in Cary.

Persons Living with Cancer, including:

Sherry Baker, friend of Laura Langdon; **Joanne Boyle**, Bob Zattiero's niece; **Lisa Bradshaw**, member of the community; **Sherri Cox**, friend of Carolyn Johnson; **Jerry Hall**, extended family of Wendy and Sam Stephenson; **Ann Hargis**, community; **Consuelo Hawkins**, Joe Hawkins' mother; **Judy Morris**, community; **Norman Nelms**, brother of Tom Nelms; **Jamie Harris**, friend of Andrea Jones; **David Ryan**, coworker of John Pickens; **Abby Stanley**, coworker of John Pickens; **Randy Stephenson**, Jon Nooney's cousin.

Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

Nancy Allen, Sheila Dupree's mom; **H. A. Andrews**, father of Andrea Jones; **Sara Barber**, Vickie Faircloth's mother; **Carolyn Burns**, Rich Lamberts sister; **Worth Bowman**, member; **Mary Burke**, Steve Wolak's mother; **Larry Creech**, Father of Kevin Creech; **Pamela Collier**, member; **Elise Corona**, daughter of a friend of Sue Bryant; **Joyce Crowson**, friend of Dick Embry; **Sandra Dail**, friend of the church; **Brenda Dupree**, mother of Amy Dupree; **Wanda Johnson Dupree**, previous member; **Barbara Ellis**, mother of Georgeanna Phillips; **Charles (Chic) and Mary Lou Folkman**, members; **Brian Johnson**, cousin of Don Dupree; **Mike Kefauver**, Brittany Jones' father; **Harley Kremer**, Andrea Jones niece; **Vic LaSaxon**, Chris Nooney's brother-in-law; **Hubert Lipscomb**, scout leader; **Bill McClandless**, friend of Bob Zattiero; **Nancy Nelms**, member; **Sue Nicholson**, Chris Nooney's sister; **Jon Nooney**, member; **John Harris**, friend of Andrea Jones; **Ed & Lou Penny**, members; **Wanda Presnell**, friend of Beth Wolak; **Caleb Reese**, cousin of Andrea Jones; **George Roberts**, neighbor of Steve and Eunice Newnam; **Kathy Rose**, friend of Kim Schmidt; **Ann King Stephenson**, member; **John Wright**, Chris Nooney's father and **Eva Younts**, Nadine Reed's Aunt.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Providence Fish Fry Volunteer Meeting Thursday, April 4 at 7:30 pm in UFH. Presbyterian Men & all members, adult women & youth are invited to attend the planning meeting for the scheduled annual fish fry fundraiser Friday, May 17. Signup sheets will be available for areas help is needed. Contact Jonathan Kershaw clkandjlk@yahoo.com or call (919)639-0447.

Women's April Outing: Come join us for Movie Day:

"Unbroken: Path to Redemption (Part 2)" Saturday, April 6 at 1:00 pm in Providence Youth Center. Part 2 picks up where Unbroken ended, with Louis "Louie" Zamperini returning home after World War II as a hero. Haunted by nightmares of his torment, Louie sees himself as anything but heroic. Suffering constant nightmares, angry, bitter and deeply depressed, his wife convinces Zamperini to attend the 1949 Billy Graham Crusade. Little did Zamperini know that God had plans for his life! This movie is based on a true story. Popcorn provided! Please let Cathy Simmons know if you plan to come. Email cesimmons112@gmail.com or call 919-275-4399.

VBS Apparel Fundraiser is going on now until April 7th. This is an online apparel store. The online address is Providence2019.itemorder.com. It can also be accessed directly from the church's website. Proceeds from the sale of the apparel is to benefit our 2019 VBS ministry program which starts on July 28. Thank you in advance for your support! If you have any questions, please see Vickie Faircloth!

Cub Scout Pack 210 and Boy Scouts Troop 210 Annual Spaghetti Fundraiser. Friday, April 12th from 11 am - 7 pm. Please mark your calendar. \$8/plate. For questions contact Eric Faircloth at 919-201-2696.

One Great Hour Of Sharing Is Near! - Collection for OGHS will take place at PPC on Sunday, Apr 14, 2019. It is the single, largest way that Presbyterians come together every year to work for a better world -- sharing God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world, by providing relief from natural disasters, food for the hungry, and support for the poor and oppressed. This relief comes through three impactful programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. Currently OGHS supports projects in over 100 countries. On Sunday, Apr 7, literature and envelopes will be made available for this annual collection on the 14th. The literature describes giving options in addition to the traditional giving at church through the collections. The children will also receive the "fish banks" on the 7th in Children's Worship. They are free to color the banks, insert any donations and return them on Sunday, Apr 14. During service on the 14th the children will be called to place the banks in the basket under the Lord's Table. Thanks for any participation in this annual offering.

There will be a joint meeting between CCE and YCE on Wednesday, April 17th at 6:45pm in the Upper Fellowship Hall to discuss options for our children and youth program LOGOS for this coming fall. All who are interested and would like to bring positive, fun and creative ideas to the table, are welcome! If you are unable to attend, but would like to contribute your thoughts, please send them to me prior to the meeting and I will be happy to share them with the group. Vickie Faircloth vickiefaircloth@yahoo.com.

Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt, Saturday, April 20th at 10:00 am in the **Lower Fellowship Hall** for ages birth through 5th grade. We will have an activity, snack and share the Easter Story before we have our Egg Hunt. Parents, please remember to have your children bring their baskets!!!

Easter Candy donations needed!!!

We are in need of donations of individually wrapped candy that can fit into plastic eggs for our Easter Celebration and Egg Hunt. There will be a marked tote near the Upper Fellowship Hall where you can place your donations. Thank you all so much for your help in making our children's programs a success.

Easter Sunrise Service Will Take Place Sunday, April 21, 2019 - This year it will be hosted at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, on Old Fairgrounds Road. (They host odd number years, PPC hosts during even number years.) Sunrise Service is to start at 7:00 am. A light breakfast follows afterward in their Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited.

Youth Campout: Middle/High Schoolers, April 27th - 28th at Jordan Lake. For details contact Eric Faircloth 919-201-2696.

Graduate Sunday Is June 9, 2019! - It will be here before you know it! Mom and Dad, if your young adult is graduating from high school or college this year, please send an email to Donna Stolle, Worship Elder <dmstolle6330@gmail.com>. Please include your grad's complete name, date of graduation, and the name of the school from which they are graduating. You will receive a follow-on email from Donna. Please submit info requested no later than Sunday, Apr 28, 2019. And congratulations to your grad and to you!

LOGOS End of Year Celebration is on Sunday, May 5th from 3:00 pm till 5:00 pm in front of the Manse. Parents, please make sure that you have signed the Waiver Form and turn it in to Vickie Faircloth prior to May 5th at 3:00pm. Also, please make sure that you wear comfortable clothes and appropriate shoes. Please park in the Upper Parking Lot as the Lower Parking Lot will be roped off for activities. This event is open to the whole family, come out for a great day of Fun, Fellowship and Food! Please RSVP to Kevin Creech at kmocreech@gmail.com.

The Fellowship & Fitness Walking Group - invite you to do something healthy for yourself and walk with us. We end each meeting in prayer for our church family and each other. Meetings are Wednesday & Friday, 10:00 am in the UFH. All are welcome!

New Online Suggestion Box Process - In order to streamline communications, the Online Suggestion Box has been removed in favor of using email. If you have any questions or suggestions for improved life and ministries at PPC, please submit them via email to the elder of your choice. Elder names, email addresses and committees are now included in the Friday weekly email sent out by Cindy, the church secretary. That list will also be published in the monthly newsletter. (You can also highlight and copy-n-paste email addresses that appear in any email sent out by Cindy.) Your submittal will be acknowledged upon receipt. The item will then be added to the agenda for the very next Monthly Session Meeting (which takes place the second Monday each month). After discussion and review, the applicable elder will send a response back to you via email. We thank you for contributions to date that helped improve life here at PPC. We look forward to more of the same.

Samaritan's Purse International Relief - This quarter (Feb, Mar, Apr.) "change the world" coins collected in the barn bank in the UFH foyer will be sent to help purchase fruit tree seedlings. "In arid desert regions, a single tree can offer a multitude of blessings. For \$45, Samaritan's Purse can provide a farming family with 30 seedlings that will grow to produce an abundant crop of fruit, offer shade, and improve soil conditions. Most importantly, working in these communities opens doors for Samaritan's Purse International Relief Staff to build relationships and share the Good News." M&O thanks you for any contribution you can make towards 30 seedlings!

Parents, please make sure that you have signed your children in before leaving them in the Nursery. For safety reasons and concern for our children, we ask that only the parents and scheduled Nursery volunteers be allowed in the Nursery with the children during the Worship Hour. The doors are secured once the service begins and should remain secured until parents come to pick up their children. During the Worship Hour, nursery care is for ages birth to 4 years old. *Vickie Faircloth, CCE Elder 919-902-1407*

Food Ministry Donations: Any and all food donations are accepted any day of the week; please place donations in the designated blue bins located in the UFH foyer. Backpack Buddies most needed items include: Individual servings of 100% fruit juice, fruit cups (applesauce, peaches, pears), individual packets of oatmeal/grits, and soup. Food Pantry most needed items include: Sugar, flour, paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish washing liquid. The M&O Committee Thanks you for your continued support of these worthy ministries.

Please Note – The Bulletin Deadline is the end of the business day Wednesday for an announcement to appear in the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday.

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

The Quarterly Service List of who serve in our Worship Services is also available on our church website to help with scheduling for the next three months.

Church Newsletter – The March issue of the PPC Newsletter "Presbyterians At The Crossroads" is available online at the church website. If you do not have a computer, you can pick up a paper copy of the Newsletter in the Narthex.

For safety/security, no exterior doors will be propped open during services and all doors will be locked during the 11:00 am service except the main sanctuary door.