

**Honoring our history
.....building our future**

**FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
JANUARY 18, 2015**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship from Psalm 119

Leader: *Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes*

People: *Lead me in the path of your commandments,*

Leader: *Let your steadfast love come to us,*

People: *O LORD, your salvation according to your promise.*

Leader: *I know, O LORD, that your judgments are right,*

People: *and that in faithfulness you have humbled me.*

Leader: *Let your steadfast love become my comfort*

People: *according to your promise to your servant.*

Leader: *Remember Your word to Your servant*

People: *Our comfort is Your promise which gives us life.*

All: *Let us worship the Lord our God this day!*

*** Opening Hymn** “God of Creation, All Powerful” #27

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

Merciful God of all that is and will be. You are our one hope, hear our prayer. You sent our Lord Jesus Christ, whose compassion is never ending, forgive our sins and restore us into a right relationship with You. Forgive us when we turn away from Your blessings and comfort and seek satisfaction in material things. O God, change our hearts and fill us with Your Joy and Love so our eyes might be opened to joy of the house of the Lord where we may rest securely in You forever.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting,*

People: *in the name of Jesus Christ we are forgiven, Amen!*

***Responsive Hymn** “Thy Word” #664

***Affirmation of Faith** Red Hymnal, Page 12
“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 23

Anthem

Providence Choir

“Come Christians, Join to Sing”

Musical Interlude for Children’s Church

(Children’s Church ages 4 thru 2nd grade led by Kay Dry and Heather Ennis; Kid’s Crusade 3rd grade thru 5th grade with Cathy Creech)

Morning Prayers and The Lord’s Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson II Corinthians 1:1-11

Sermon “Comfort and Consolation” Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn**

#473

“What a Friend we Have in Jesus”

***Acolyte and Benediction**

Congregational Meeting

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

January Scripture Passage

⁷ Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. ⁸ For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the circumcised on behalf of the truth of God in order that he might confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, ⁹ and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, “Therefore I will confess¹ you among the Gentiles, and sing praises to your name”; ¹⁰ and again he says, “Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people”; ¹¹ and again, “Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples praise him”; ¹² and again Isaiah says, “The root of Jesse shall come, the one who rises to rule the Gentiles; in him the Gentiles shall hope.” ¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Romans 15:7-13



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.

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Session

Class of 2015

<i>Finance</i>	<i>Mission/Outreach</i>	<i>Congregational Care</i>	<i>Youth C.E.</i>
Kristy Stephenson	Margie Taylor	Kent Walton	Jeffrey Wood

Class of 2016

<i>Children C.E</i>	<i>Persommel</i>	<i>Clerk</i>	<i>Property</i>
Beth Breedon	Pete Booth	David Nelms	Steve Nordan

Class of 2017

<i>Long Range Planning</i>	<i>Fellowship</i>	<i>Adult C.E.</i>	<i>Worship</i>
Tony Bryant	David Collier	Barri Martin	Heath White

Staff

<i>Accounting Treasurer</i>	<i>Collections Treasurer</i>
Ann Stephenson	Ann Benson

<i>Music Director/Organist</i>	<i>Pianist</i>
Brittany Jones	DeEtta Wood

<i>Website</i>	<i>Usher Coordinator</i>
David Nelms	Russell Wood

<i>Secretary Group</i>
Mary Ann Booth Donna Stolle

<i>Copy Group</i>
LaVette Morgan Ann Stephenson Margie Taylor

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Weekly Statistics

Total General Fund Receipts for December.....	\$19,792.70
General Fund Expenses for December	\$16,036.25
Total Receipts for January	\$7,578.77
*Receipts for January 11.....	\$3,364.75
Capital Campaign Receipts January 11.....	\$630.00
Capital Campaign Giving (thru Jan. 11)	\$571,256.03
Funds Expended thru Capital Campaign (thru Dec)	\$1,467,563.76
Capital Campaign Reserve Account	\$185,033.35
Current Loan Balance	\$1,084,624.46
Attendance for Sunday School January 11	104
Attendance for Worship January 11.....	150

**Does not include Capital Campaign Giving*

ANNOUNCEMENT

A Congregational Meeting will be held today, January 18, following the worship service for the purpose of electing officers to the board of directors.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Jeff Wood
Ushers: Ronnie Creech and Tony Bryant
Acolyte: Silas Porter
Nursery: Israel and Karen Morrow
Children’s Church Teacher: Kay Dry
Children’s Church Helper: Heather Ennis
Kids Krusade Teacher: Cathy Creech

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, January 25

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Jeff Wood
Ushers: Carlos Bagley and Bob Stolle
Acolyte: Ava Wood
Nursery: Pat Davis and Sue Bryant
Children’s Church Teacher: Kay Dry
Children’s Church Helper: Austin Benson
Kids Krusade Teacher: Cathy Creech

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence:

9:45 am: Sunday School for Children and Youth
10:25 am: Fellowship Time
11:00 am: Worship Service
5:00 pm: LOGOS; Adult Bible Study

Weekly Events:

January 20. Presbyterian Women:
 Coordinating Team meets at 6:00 pm
 Circles meet at 10:00 am and 7:30 pm
January 21. Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 pm

Upcoing Events:

January 27. February Newsletter Deadline
January 28. Adult Choir Rehearsal at 7:30 pm
January 30. Red Cross Blood Drive - 3:00 pm – 7:30 pm

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: We celebrate and rejoice in our many blessings - among them the opening of our expanded facility!

CONCERNS:

We extend Christian Sympathy to the family of Sue Stephenson Nooney, mother of Jon Nooney, who passed away on Thursday.
George Ezra Coates, moved to Liberty Commons, *father of Ann Benson*

Members of the Providence Family in Long-Term Care:

Brack Johnson at *Classic Care Assisted Living in Smithfield*, **Lacy** (Hospice) **and 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, **Cheryl Beckham,** friend of Laura McLamb, **Jerry Benson,** Randy Benson’s cousin, **Nancy Biernacki,** friend of Bob Zattiero, **Patsy Bowman,** member of church family, **Edith Bowser,** friend of Bob Zattiero, **Richard Davis,** friend of Elaine Wood, **Carol Frickman,** *Tod Frickman’s sister-in-law,* **Ann Hargis,** member of community, **P.B. Jernigan,** relative of Sheila Dupree, **Joey Johnson,** friend of Randy Benson. **Paula Johnson,** friend of Dave and Edythe Natrass, **Luke Jordan,** friend of Christina Jones, **Keith Langdon,** member of church family, **Carol Mayben,** *Sandy Kopanski’s sister-in-law,* **Stacy Meadows,** friend of Beth Wolak, **Jackie Parker,** friend of Amy Dupree, **Jennifer Pearce,** friend of Janice Parrish, **Ben Snelling,** friend, of John Kopanski, **Randy Stephenson,** *Jon Nooney’s cousin,* **Chad Talley,** friend of John Pickens, **Karen Tew,** friend of DeEtta Wood, **Wayne Toler,** *Dorothy Nesselrodt’s brother-in-law* **Tammy Vann,** friend of Sandy Kopanski, **Cory Watt,** friend of Jeff Wood, **Kenneth Weathers,** *brother-in-law of Wendy Stephenson,* **Kelly Whitley,** friend of the McLamb, **DeEtta Wood,** member of church family, and **Hannah Youngblood,** friend of Kristy Stephenson

Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

Levon and Nancy Allen, *Sheila Dupree’s parents,* **Velma and Ray Bost,** grandparents of Heath White, **Charlie & Mary Burke,** *Steve Wolak’s parents,* **Ezra Coates,** father of Ann Benson, **Lynn Cross,** member of church family, **Skylar Duquette,** *Wendy Stephenson’s great niece,* **Ed Fontana,** *Mary Langdon’s father,* **Fred Ipock,** *Cathy Creech’s father,* **Melinda Kendall,** member of church family, **Norbert Kopanski,** *John Kopanski’s father,* **Stuart Kremer,** friend of Andrea Jones, **Phil Langdon,** *Mel Langdon’s brother* **Vic LaSaxon,** *Chris Nooney’s brother-in-law,* **Wanza Mayben,** *Sandy Kopanski’s mother,* **Sue Nicholson,** *Chris Nooney’s sister,* **Jon Nooney,** member of church family, **Chellie Poston,** former member, **Kathy Rose,** friend of Kim Schmidt, **Kathy Ryals,** community, **Donald Salmon,** *Wendy Stephenson’s brother-in-law,* **Keith Smith,** member of the community, **Gwen Walton,** member of church family, and **John Wright,** *Chris Nooney’s father*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hymnals - The Session has created a designated fund with the goal of raising monies toward purchase of 100 additional hymnals for our growing church. The cost will be \$13 for each hymnal. If you wish to contribute and dedicate a hymnal or hymnals in honor or memory of someone, forms will be in the Narthex for that purpose. Fill out the information indicating what you would like on the inside cover of the hymnal. Please mark your check with “Hymnals” on the memo line. We plan to place the order for the hymnals at the end of February.

Historical Committee - A committee is being formed to preserve the history of Providence Presbyterian Church. If you would like to be a part of this effort, please contact Jeff Wood at jdwood72@gmail.com or 919-801-2737.

Red Cross Blood Drive - There will be a Red Cross Blood Drive on Friday, January 30, 2015 from 3 until 7:30 p.m. Help will be needed to staff the refreshment table (please contact Margie at 919-207-0149). Volunteers are needed to give blood – please put the date on your calendar. To reserve a time for your donation, please contact Beck McLamb at 919-625-6925 or Margie Taylor at 919-207-0149. Save a life today!

Email Notifications – If you would like to be included on the Providence Presbyterian Church email distribution list, please send a note to Donna Stolle at dms6330@gmail.com. Also, if you are currently on the list and need to add a new email address and/or delete an old one, please let Donna know. Donna sends out the PPC Weekly Reminder, as well as PPC Prayer Requests, and any other notices that need to be sent to the entire church.

Prayer List -- As has always been a part of worship at Providence, we ask for people or situations to be lifted up during the pastoral prayer. If, however, you want a name placed on the prayer list printed in the bulletin, please contact Mary Ann Booth (maboorth1@gmail.com or 919-275-4564). Also, when you ask to take someone off the list, let Mary Ann know. When a secretary is in place in the new facility, this will be the procedure we will follow, using the secretary as the point of contact.