

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

**TWENTIFIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 18, 2015**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship from Psalm 146

Leader: *Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,*

People: *whose hope is in the LORD their God,*

Leader: *the LORD loves the righteous.*

People: *but the way of the wicked He brings to ruin.*

Leader: *I will praise the LORD who keeps faith forever*

People: *who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them;*

Leader: *I will praise the LORD who keeps faith forever*

People: *The LORD sets the prisoners free and opens the eyes of the blind.*

Leader: *I will praise the LORD who keeps faith forever*

People: *who executes justice for the oppressed and gives food to the hungry.*

Leader: *I will praise the LORD as long as I live;*

All: *I will sing praises to my God all my life long.*

***Opening Hymn** "Morning Has Broken" # 35

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O Merciful LORD, whose love and faithfulness is everlasting to everlasting and whose grace endures forever, look with favor upon us as we confess our sin. Called to be courageous, we find our faith lacking. When asked to take steps of faith, we confess our complacency. Lift our minds from earthly things to the vision of Your heavenly glory. Forgive our shortsighted behavior and reconcile us through Jesus to Your eternal will.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *Brothers and sisters, we are redeemed through Christ, the Son of God.*

People: *Growing in our faith in Jesus Christ, for we are forgiven!*

***Responsive Hymn** "Open the Eyes of My Heart" # 656

***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

Isaiah 42:1-10

Anthem

"This I Saw"

Providence Choir

Musical Interlude for Children's Worship

(Children ages 4 thru 5th grade led by Amy Dupree, Jonathan Breeden and Jennifer Crocker)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson

Matthew 21:18-22

Sermon

"Faith and the Fig Tree"

Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn** "What Wondrous Love Is This" # 257

***Acolyte and Benediction SS**

Postlude

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

October Scripture Passage

¹ After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ² He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. ³ Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves.

Luke 10:1-3



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.

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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>Personnel</i>	<i>Clerk</i>	<i>Property</i>
Beth Breeden	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>
Wayne Lamm	Ann Benson
<i>Music Director/Organist/Pianist</i>	<i>Organist/Pianist</i>
Brittany Jones	Ann Stephenson & Susan Rudd
<i>Website</i>	<i>Usher Coordinator</i>
David Nelms	Russell Wood
<i>Secretary</i>	
Kimberly Callis	

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Weekly Statistics

Total General Fund Receipts for September.....	\$11,870.49
General Fund Expenses for September.....	\$21,397.84
Total Receipts for October.....	\$8,154.75
*Receipts for October 11.....	\$2,137.85
Capital Campaign Receipts October 11.....	\$36,816.02
Capital Campaign Giving (thru October 4).....	\$696,501.65
Funds Expended thru Capital Campaign (thru Sept)...	\$1,775,137.19
Capital Campaign Reserve Account.....	\$70,020.39
Current Loan Balance.....	\$1,172,398.90
Attendance for Sunday School October 11.....	83
Attendance for Worship October 11.....	205

**Does not include Capital Campaign Giving*

ANNOUNCEMENT

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING is called for Sunday, November 1, immediately following worship, for the purpose of election of elders for the class of 2018. Nominees that will be presented are Lindsay Frampton, Atlee Roberts, Sam Stephenson and Kent Walton.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Beth Breeden
Ushers: Todd Frickman & John Daniel, Rick Taylor (Back)
Acolyte: Paige Smith
Nursery: Christina Jones & Lisa Nelms
Children's Worship Leader: Amy Dupree & Jonathan Breeden
Children's Worship Helper: Jennifer Crocker
Youth Worship: Riley Wood & Hannah Bullock
Fellowship Time: Nesselrodt Class

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, October 25

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Beth Breeden
Ushers: John Kopanski & Gary Phillips, Atlee Roberts (Back)
Acolyte: Charlotte Wood
Nursery: Israel & Karen Morrow
Children's Worship Leader: Amy Dupree & Jonathan Breeden
Children's Worship Helpers: Jennifer Crocker
Youth Worship: Riley Wood & Hannah Bullock
Fellowship Time: Fellowship Committee

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence:

9:45 am: Sunday School for Children and Youth
10:25 am: Fellowship Time
11:00 am: Worship Service

Weekly Events:

Oct 18. LOGOS 5:00 pm
Oct 19. Stated Session Meeting 7:00 pm
Oct 20. Presbyterian Women Circles: 10:00 am and 7:30 pm
 (Coordinating Team at 6:00 pm)
Oct 21. Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm

Upcoming Events:

Oct 25. Angel Tree Donations begin
Oct 26. November Newsletter Deadline
Oct 27. Card Ministry 10:00 am
Oct 28. Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm
Nov 1. Congregational Meeting at the end of worship

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: Praise the Lord for our bountiful harvest of blessings!

CONCERNS: We extend Christian sympathy to Sue & Tony Bryant in the death of her daughter, Mica Love
 Becky Kleaver, member, recovering from a broken bone in her left leg

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; **Jerry Benson**, Randy Benson's cousin; **Nancy Biernacki**, friend of Bob Zattiero; **Patsy Bowman**, member; **Edith Bowser**, friend of Bob Zattiero; **Christopher Conway**, friend of Karen Morrow; **Richard Davis**, friend of Elaine Wood; **Salley Dowsett**, Laura McLamb's cousin; **Kim Faircloth**, friend of Amy Dupree; **Carol Frickman**, Todd Frickman's sister-in-law; **David Guss**, cousin of Andrea Jones; **Ann Hargis**, community; **P.B. Jernigan**, relative of Sheila Dupree; **Joey Johnson**, friend of Randy Benson; **Luke Jordan**, friend of Christina Jones; **Keith Langdon**, member; **Carol Mayben**, Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law; **Jackie Parker**, friend of Amy Dupree; **Larry Phipps**, Allison Phipps's husband; **Tania Query**, Pat Davis' sister; **Ben Snelling**, friend, of John Kopanski; **Randy Stephenson**, Jon Nooney's cousin; **Chad Talley**, friend of John Pickens; **Wayne Toler**, Dorothy Nesselrodt's brother-in-law; **Tammy Vann**, friend of Sandy Kopanski; **Kenneth Weathers**, brother-in-law of Wendy Stephenson; 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**, Heath White's grandparents; **Charlie & Mary Burke**, Steve Wolak's parents; **Brenda Byrd**, member; **Ricky Faircloth**, Beck McLamb's brother-in-law; **Ed Fontana**, Mary Langdon's father; **Linda Haden**, Brenda Byrd's neighbor; **Janet Harris**, Dorothy Nesselrodt's sister-in-law; **Fred Ipock**, Cathy Creech's father; **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; **Joe Martinelli**, member; **Scott Martinelli**, Joe & Beverly Martinelli's son; **Wanza Mayben**, Sandy Kopanski's mother; **Sue Nicholson**, Chris Nooney's sister; **Jon Nooney**, member; **Caleb Reese**, cousin of Andrea Jones; **Kathy Rose**, friend of Kim Schmidt; **Donald Salmon**, Wendy Stephenson's brother-in-law; **Marie Wellman**, friend of Brenda Byrd; and **John Wright**, Chris Nooney's father

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Special Note – A cross stitch picture entitled “The Old Rugged Cross”, done by Lisa Nelms is now displayed in the choir room. This was given by David and Lisa Nelms in memory of DeEtta Jones Wood for her faithful service to Providence, her dedication to all and for her beautiful voice and talent.

Presbyterian Woman’s Coordinating Team Meeting – Tuesday, October 20 at 6:00 pm in the Seeker’s classroom.

Presbyterian Women Outing – Thursday, October 29 – We are going via train to the Billy Graham Library/Museum in Charlotte. Details can be found in the October Newsletter. Requesting RSVPs to Sheila Dupree (sheila_dupree@yahoo.com) by October 18.

Operation Christmas Child - We are doing the Operation Christmas Child again this year. You can participate three different ways.

- Pack a shoebox the way you would like; remember to enclose a \$7 check for postage.
- Donate children's items to be packed in a shoebox.
- Donate money either for postage or more items for the boxes.

If you do 2 or 3, please make sure that you have items to us by Sunday, November 8 so that boxes can be put together. We will take the boxes to the altar on Sunday, November 15 during church services so that everyone can see how many we have. Thank you all for all that you do for the less fortunate.

Children's Worship - Children ages 3 through 5th grade are welcome to participate in our kid-sized Children's Worship ~ an interactive worship service of music, scripture, and learning about God's word. Children's Worship will be held in the space formerly known as Classroom 5. We are thankful for the adults, youth, and little people who are committed to making this worship service meaningful for all involved. If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer, please contact Beth Breeden at 919-624-1633.

Fellowship Time Reminder - Please sign up for fellowship times on the bulletin board located in the kitchen of the new fellowship hall. You may also sign up by sending an email to David Collier at davidcollier123@yahoo.com, or he can be reached at 919-625-3026.

New Members’ Class – Will begin November 15 during the Sunday School hour at 9:45 am, for a fifteen week curriculum. We want to encourage anyone who would like to know more about the Christian faith, Providence PC, the Presbyterian Church USA, to please come and participate. The class will be led by Rev. Davis. If you have questions please email the pastor at jimdavis10@hotmail.com or call the office at 919-894-4063.

Musical Talent – We need you! Brittany is searching for those within the congregation with musical talents who would be interested in sharing their talents with us; particularly piano talents, but we have ways of incorporating other musical gifts as well, so please don't let your instrument of choice be a factor in not coming forward. We can put your gifts to good use! Contact Brittany Jones at 910-814-7208 or blkefauver07@hotmail.com.

Fellowship Hall Policy – As of October 1, 2015 we have adopted a new policy to be used on all scheduling request to use both Fellowship Halls. If you request to use either of our Fellowship Halls you will be required to complete a form and the approval will come from the session. This will apply to all new requests for both halls. Requests that have already been approved or confirmed will not be required to complete the new form. New requests need to be made through the church office (Kim Callis) same as current process. If you have questions on this new policy please contact Kim Callis at 919-894-4063 or David Collier at 919-625-3026 or davidcollier123@yahoo.com.

Reminders – Please contact Kim Callis at secretary@providencepresb.org or 919-894-4063 if you need to:

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

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.

CHURCH DIRECTORY INFORMATION

New Photo Directory - As of Thurs evening 15 Oct we have 33 sessions scheduled. If we get 46 or more families photographed each family will receive a copy of the finished directory, as well as an 8x10 portrait -- both free of charge. Photos will be taken the second week of November. To schedule your photo session, go to the church website and click on the photo icon on the home page. Please encourage friends, family and neighbors to take advantage of this portrait opportunity. Though they won't be included in the directory they, too, will receive a complimentary 8x10. Feel free to call me (Donna Stolle at 860-214-6698), if you need any assistance with the online scheduling. Assistance with scheduling portrait sessions will also be provided 18 Oct, after services in the foyer right outside the new fellowship hall.

Wanted - We are looking for digital and/or printed photos of Providence activities from the last two years. These are to be included on the "activity" pages in the new photo directory. Please leave in the church secretary's mail slot any print photos, or digitals on a flash stick. Print photos will be scanned and returned to the owner. Thanks very much for your help in this endeavor.