

**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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**SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 1, 2017**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte "Let Us Come Before The Lord"
Providence Choir

Call to Worship (from Psalm 126) Greg Kornegay
Leader: *When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.*

People: *Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy;*

Leader: *then it was said among the nations, The LORD has done great things.*

People: *The LORD has done great things for us, and we rejoiced.*

Leader: *Restore our fortunes, O LORD, like the watercourses in the Negeb.*

People: *May those who sow in tears reap with shouts of joy.*

Leader: *Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed for sowing, shall come home with shouts of joy, carrying their sheaves.*

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

***Opening Hymn "All Creatures of Our God and King" #23**

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O Gracious God, You sent Your Son to earth to redeem our sinful souls. Have mercy upon us as we confess our sin. You call us to work for peace in the world and instead we sow apathy and judgment. You call us to live a life of service and we respond by turning a blind eye to the needy. Your Son calls us to go forth into the world and spread the good news to all nations, and we remain silent with those who desperately need to hear of Your love and Grace. Forgive us in our indifference to You, O LORD, and convict our hearts that we may serve You in all we say and sow.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *The LORD God has prepared a place in the Kingdom of Heaven for all who repent.*

People: *Everyone who believes in Jesus Christ receives forgiveness of sins through His name!*

***Responsive Hymn "Come Christians, Join to Sing" #87**

***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

Mark 4:2-9

Musical Interlude for Children's Worship

(Children ages 4 thru 5th grade led by Beth Breeden)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson

Mark 4:10-20

Sermon "Sowing the Seeds of the Gospel"

Rev. Jim Davis

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table

Prayer

Words of Institution

Communion of God's People

(We celebrate communion this morning and invite you to partake of the bread as you receive it – but please hold the cup so we may partake together)

***Dedication Hymn "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing" #68**

***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!

October Scripture Passage

¹⁷ So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; ¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. ²⁰ So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. **2 Corinthians 5:17-20**

SERVICE SCHEDULE

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

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Weekly Statistics

Year-to-Date General Fund Receipts (thru Aug 31)	\$177,148.30
Year-to-Date General Fund Expenses (thru Aug 31) ...	\$198,146.81
General Fund Receipts for August	\$17,417.00
General Fund Expenses for August	\$21,919.34
General Fund Receipts for September 24	\$3,175.00
Total General Fund Receipts for September	\$22,267.10
Capital Reserve Account.....	\$84,732.08
Current Loan Balance	\$1,030,083.41
Attendance for Sunday School September 17.....	52
Attendance for Worship September 17.....	81

Assisting in Worship this Sunday:

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Mary Ann Booth
Ushers: Atlee Roberts & Rick Taylor, Jonathan Breeden (Back)
Acolyte: Phoebe Creech
Nursery: Chris & Kristy Stephenson
Children's Worship: Beth Breeden
Lay Reader: Greg Kornegay
Fellowship Time: Young Adults Class

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, October 8

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Mary Ann Booth
Ushers: Jimmy Stuart, Scott Martin, Tony Bryant, Russell Wood & Kent Walton (Back)
Acolyte: David Breeden
Nursery: Richard & Andrea Jones
Children's Worship: TBD
Lay Reader: Eric Faircloth
Fellowship Time: Seekers Class

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence:

9:45 am: Sunday School
10:25 am: Fellowship Time
11:00 pm: Worship Service
12:00 pm: Lunch and Town Hall Meeting in the Upper Fellowship Hall with Rev. Bucky Hunsicker / EPC
5:00 pm: LOGOS

Weekly Events:

Oct 2. Congregational Care Meeting 10:00 am
Oct 3. Card Ministry 10:00 am Upper Fellowship Hall
 Long Range Planning Meeting 7:00 pm
Oct 4. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
 Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm
Oct 6. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Oct 8. HOMECOMING!

Upcoming Events:

Oct 9. Session Meeting 7:00 pm
Oct 10. M&O Monthly Visit 2:00 pm to Stagecoach Manor
 Residents at Universal & Pinecrest Nursing Homes
Oct 11. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
 Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm
Oct 13. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Oct 15. LOGOS 5:00 – 7:00 pm

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: His blood was shed for you and for me!

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*; **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*; **Carol Mayben**, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-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*; **Sara Barber**, *Vickie Faircloth's mother*; **Randy Benson**, member; **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; **Harley Kremer**, *Andrea Jones niece*; **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*; **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 9:00 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

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