

**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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**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 12, 2017**

The flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration of the 21st Birthday of Hannah Jean Stephenson by Sam and Wendy Stephenson.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship (from Psalm 148) **Travis Creech**

Leader: *Praise the LORD! Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights!*

People: *Praise him, all His angels; praise Him, all His host!*

Leader: *Let them praise the name of the LORD, for He commanded and they were created.*

People: *He established them forever and ever; He fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.*

Leader: *Let them praise the name of the LORD,*

People: *For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above earth and heaven.*

All: *Let us worship our Lord God, Amen*

***Opening Hymn** # 48
"Immortal Invisible God Only Wise"

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O Merciful God, forgive our sinfulness in this place and time. We praise Your holy name and ask You to send Your Holy Spirit into us so that we may be convicted and turn towards You. We so often seek the things of this world to fill our needs and desires. Rescue us from ourselves, O God, and open the eyes of our hearts so we may see those around us in need. Pour Your Love and Truth into our hearts so we may seek You in all we say and do.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *The hope of the world through the Son of God is the good news of Jesus Christ in whom we are forgiven!*

People: *God has given us the joyful gift of eternal life, Amen.*

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

***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 **Matthew 10:26-33**

Anthem "A Thanksgiving Prayer" Providence Choir

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

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Second Scripture Lesson **Luke 15:8-10**

Sermon "The Cost of Obedience" Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn** # 261
"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

***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!

November Scripture Passage

⁸ Above all, maintain constant love for one another, for love covers a multitude of sins. ⁹ Be hospitable to one another without complaining. ¹⁰ Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. ¹¹ Whoever speaks must do so as one speaking the very words of God; whoever serves must do so with the strength that God supplies, so that God may be glorified in all things through Jesus Christ. To him belong the glory and the power forever and ever. Amen. **1 Peter 4:8-11**

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

Secretary
Cindy Lynch

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Weekly Statistics

Year-to-Date General Fund Receipts (thru Sept 30)	\$199,415.40
Year-to-Date General Fund Expenses (thru Sept 30)...	\$222,616.09
General Fund Receipts for September.....	\$22,267.10
General Fund Expenses for September	\$24,469.28
Total General Fund Receipts for October	\$19,625.70
General Fund Receipts for November 5	\$6,150.81
Capital Reserve Account	\$84,735.56
Current Loan Balance as of October 31	\$982,549.62
Homecoming Offering (Paid to Loan Principal).....	..\$36,182.10
Attendance for Sunday School November 581
Attendance for Worship November 5109

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: Mary Ann Booth
Ushers: Carlos Bagley, Don Dupree & Gary Phillips (Back)
Acolyte: Hannibal Langdon
Nursery: Mary Langdon & Sue Bryant
Children's Worship: Amy Dupree
Lay Reader: Travis Creech
Fellowship Time: Seekers Class

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, November 19

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Mary Ann Booth
Ushers: Atlee Roberts, Jimmy Stuart & Rick Taylor (Back)
Acolyte: Connor Frickman
Nursery: Jonathan Breden & Emma Phillips
Children's Worship: Amy Dupree
Lay Reader: Jeff Wood
Fellowship Time: Nesselrodt Class

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence:

9:45 am: Sunday School
10:25 am: Fellowship Time
11:00 pm: Worship Service

Weekly Events:

Nov. 12. Stewardship Sunday
Nov. 13. Session Meeting 7:00pm
Nov. 14. Senior Luncheon at Mt. Zion Church – Noon
 Presbyterian Women Circles – 10:00am and 7:00pm
Nov. 15. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00am
 Adult Choir Practice 7:30pm
Nov. 16. Card Ministry Prep Team I, Home of LaVette Morgan
Nov. 17. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00am

Upcoming Events:

Nov. 19. Children's Offering
 LOGOS and Military Veterans Supper
Nov. 22. Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm
Nov. 23. Thanksgiving
Nov. 25. Advent Decorating and Lite Lunch

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: We can all be that “faithful and wise steward..” (Luke 12:42)

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:

Charity Arrington, friend of *Georgianna;* **Vicky Austin**, community; **Sherry Baker**, friend of *Laura Langdon;* **Priscilla Beckwith**, friend of *Sandy Kopanski;* **Patsy Bowman**, member; **Sarah Mulcahay**, sister of *Patsy Bowman;* **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;* **Ken Page**, family of *Atlee and Linda Roberts;* **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;* **Barbara Ellis**, mother of *Georgeanna Phillips;* **Coby Foreman**, church family; **George Johnson**, *Debbie Sturgis' 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;* **Marie Rouse**, delivery driver's wife; **Barbara Walton**, member; **Candy Weaver**, friend of *Amanda McLamb;* and **John Wright**, *Chris Nooney's father.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The following payments were added to the Loan Principal:

- (1) Homecoming, \$36,182.10,
- (2) Men's Fish Fry, \$2,500.00, and
- (3) Women's Bake Sale, \$1,015.00.

Stewardship Sunday, November 12 -- Commitment cards are available in the pews.

Children's Home Alliance - (formerly, Barium Springs Offering) Will be collected for this year's Thanksgiving Offering on Sunday, November 19. Please give to this wonderful cause.

Senior Luncheon – will be held at Mount Zion on November 14, 2017 at noon. If you plan on going, please let Margie Taylor know by November 8 at 919-207-0149 so the cooks know how much food to buy and prepare.

Presbyterian Women Circle Meetings – In November, the Day and Night Circles will meet on Tuesday, Nov 14, at 10:00am and 7:00pm. All women of Providence are welcome to attend.

The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Johnny and Elaine Wood will be celebrated on November 19, from 1pm – 3pm in the Upper Fellowship Hall. The congregation is invited to this blessed celebration.

Calling all Providence Military Veterans – We would love for you to join us for our Sunday evening **LOGOS** supper on November 19. Please feel free to wear an item of clothing that represents your service if you would like to do so. Our children are excited about the chance to talk to the military veterans in our church family. To help our kitchen volunteers with planning, RSVP by 11/16/2017 to Beth Breeden at 919-624-1633 or beth@aewileyphotography.com

LOGOS – The meetings are going great, but there are still a few open slots to be filled for the meal plan service. If you feel led, please sign up on the bulletin board or talk with Kevin Creech. (kmocreech@gmail.com)

Advent Readers Wanted – We need readers for the four Sundays of Advent, as well as the two services on Christmas Eve. Might you and your family be interested? Singles, couples, families, any combination of readers are desired. Please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board directly inside the “new” hallway. You will receive your reading material prior to the Sunday when you are scheduled to read.

Service Opportunities – There are many service opportunities available at PPC: working with our children - teaching Sunday School, working in the Nursery and helping with LOGOS. If you feel led to help with any of these ministries, contact Vickie Faircloth at vickiefaircloth@yahoo.com or (919) 903-1407.

Advent Decorating – Starting at 9:00am we will be decorating our facilities on Saturday, Nov 25, 2017. Decorating is sponsored by the Presbyterian Women of Providence, but completed by members of the congregation. All able bodied volunteers please meet in the Lower Fellowship Hall for instructions. A light lunch will be served afterwards. Any help is greatly appreciated. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board.

Fellowship and Fitness Walking Group – “Exercise daily – walk with Jesus.” We would also like you to walk and fellowship with us on Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00am! As we are awaiting benches for the upper parking lot, we will continue to meet in the Upper Fellowship Hall until they are completed. All are welcome.
Note: We will NOT be meeting during the week of Thanksgiving.

Poinsettias for Advent – We are now accepting Poinsettia orders. The plants are grown by the Horticulture I & II Classes, and the Ag Science Class at West Johnston High School. The net proceeds help buy materials that are used by the students for their horticultural work. All plants will be delivered to the church on Sat., Nov. 25, where they will be staged to adorn the sanctuary until after services on Christmas Eve. Feel free to take home your purchases after that time. Complete the order form. Supply the “In Honor Of” and “In Memory of” information, include the check payment and place the form and payment in the offering plate. Make checks payable to “Providence Presbyterian Church.” Write “Poinsettia Sales” on the memo line of the check. Sunday, Nov. 19 is the last day to accept orders with payment. Thanks for your support.

Operation Christmas Child – One week to go! Bring your packed shoebox next Sunday! This is an easy way to make a difference in the life of a child. Need a “How to Pack a Shoebox Gift” envelope to get started? They are in the form holders on the back of the pews. Don't forget, you can use a store-bought plastic shoebox with a lid. Thanks for choosing to be a part of this program; 24 years strong! Questions? Call or email Donna Walker at 910-814-2153, 46dwalker@gmail.com or Miriam Lambert at 580-307-4246 or summer1980@hotmail.com. Please place your OCC Shoebox Gift under the Communion Table in the Sanctuary.

CORRECTION: The price of mailing each shoebox has been raised to \$9.00. Please follow instructions on the envelope and enclose a \$9.00 check for each box.

Please Note – The Bulletin deadline is **Noon Thursday** if you wish for an announcement to appear in the bulletin for the upcoming Sunday. 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 hall
- Directory updates