

**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 worshipping 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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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MAY 6, 2018**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship (From Psalm 37) Justin Wood

Leader: *The salvation of the righteous is from the LORD;*

People: *The LORD is their refuge in the time of trouble.*

Leader: *Commit your way to the LORD; trust in Him, and He will act.*

People: *Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for Him*

Leader: *The LORD knows the days of the blameless,*

People: *and their heritage will abide forever;*

Leader: *Our steps are made firm by the LORD, when He delights in our way*

People: *Be still before the LORD, and wait patiently for Him*

Leader: *Though we stumble, we shall not fall headlong,*

People: *For the LORD holds us by the hand.*

Leader: *Wait for the LORD, and keep to His way*

People: *For the LORD loves justice; he will not forsake His faithful ones.*

All: *Let us worship the Lord.*

***Opening Hymn #25**

“Let all Creation Bless the Lord”

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

O God Most High, our bodies are perishable, but you have sent Christ, the promise of our resurrection. Aging limits us, disease burdens us, and disabilities undermine our capacity to function. We are impatient with ourselves and others, we do not even seek You for what we need. Forgive us for our lack of vision and our selfishness, teach us to look for You in the eyes of others, help us to be who You have called us to be.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *We have been redeemed through God's great grace!*

People: *In Christ we are forgiven!*

***Responsive Hymn “Lord of the Dance” #118**

***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 Job 6:2-14

Anthem “Grace Alone” Providence Choir

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

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson 2 Peter 3:9-15

Sermon Rev. Jim Davis

“The Patience of Job's God”

***Dedication Hymn #31**

“I Sing the Almighty Power of God”

***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!

May Scripture Passage

²² By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. ²⁴ And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. ²⁵ If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit. ²⁶ Let us not become conceited, competing against one another, envying one another. **Galatians 5:22-26**

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church

The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Pastor

Rev. Jim Davis

Session

Class of 2018

<i>Finance</i>	<i>Congregational Care</i>	<i>Adult C.E.</i>	<i>Long Range Planning</i>
Sam Stephenson	Kent Walton	Atlee Roberts	Russell Wood

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

Staff

Accounting Treasurer

Sam Stephenson

Collections Treasurer

Ann Benson

Music Director/Organist/Pianist

Brittany Jones

Pianist

Angie Searcy

Website

David Nelms

Usher Coordinator

Russell Wood

Secretary

Cindy Lynch

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Weekly Statistics

2018 General Fund Receipts through March	\$55,810.67
2018 General Fund Expenses through March	\$73,322.52
General Fund Receipts for March	\$17,909.24
General Fund Expenses for March.....	\$24,218.95
General Fund Receipts thus far for April.....	\$35,110.30
General Fund Receipts for April 29	\$3,484.00
Capital Reserve Account.....	\$86,757.12
Loan Balance.....	\$961,949.94
Attendance for Sunday School April 29	73
Attendance for Worship April 29.....	109

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, unless otherwise stated. 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: Cathy Simmons

Ushers: Gary Phillips, Joseph Phillips & Ryan Nelms (back)

Acolyte: Phoebe Creech

Nursery: Beth Pickens and Amy Dupree

Children's Worship: Stephanie Whitley

Lay Reader: Justin Wood

Fellowship Time: Young Adult's Class

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, May 13

Elder of the Month/Greeter: Cathy Simmons

Ushers: Atlee Roberts, Jimmy Stuart & Rick Taylor (back)

Acolyte: Joey Crocker

Nursery: Chris and Kristy Stephenson

Children's Worship: Stephanie Whitley

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 am: Worship Service

5:00 pm: LOGOS

Weekly Events:

May 8. Senior Citizen's Luncheon 12 noon
M&O Universal Visit 2:00 pm

May 9. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Fish Fry Volunteer Meeting 6:30 pm

May 11. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am

Upcoming Events:

May 13. Seventh Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day

May 14. Session Meeting 7:00 pm

May 15. Senior Luncheon at White Memorial Presbyterian
PPC Women Joint Circle Mtg., 7:00 pm

May 16. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm

May 17. Card Prep Team III, LaVette's Home 1:00 pm

May 18. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Fish Fry & Bake Sale 11:00 am – 7:00 pm

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: He makes beauty out of ashes. Isaiah 61:3

CONCERNS: Prayers are requested for Jerry Hall. He is undergoing testing for a cyst on frontal lobe of brain which is causing it to swell. Jay is an extended family member of Wendy and Sam Stephenson. Continued prayers for Charles Simmons, Son of Sally Allen and Cathy Simmons' brother.

Members of the Providence Family in Long-Term Care:

Brack Johnson at *Classic Care in Smithfield*; **Marilyn Johnson** at *Barbour Court in Smithfield*; **Pauline Jones**, at *Liberty Commons in Benson*; **Virginia Moore**, *The Laurels in Pineville*; **Bobbie Langdon**, at *Highland Village in Cary*.

Persons Living with Cancer, including:

Charity Arrington, friend of *Georgeanna*; **Sherry Baker**, friend of *Laura Langdon*; **Priscilla Beckwith**, friend of *Sandy Kopanski*; **Joanne Boyle**, *Bob Zattiero's niece*; **Lisa Bradshaw**, member of the community; **Ashley Faircloth**, niece of *Beck McLamb*; **Al Felton**, friend of *Dick Embry*; **Becky Hall**, friend of *Carolyn Johnson*; **Ann Hargis**, community; **Consuelo Hawkins**, *Joe Hawkins' mother*; **Carol Mayben**, *Sandy Kopanski's sister-in-law*; **Laura McLamb**, member; **Ben Snelling**, friend of *John Kopanski*; **Randy Stephenson**, *Jon Nooney's cousin*; **Chad Talley**, friend of *John Pickens*.

Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

Nancy Allen, *Sheila Dupree's mom*; **Sara Barber**, *Vickie Faircloth's mother*; **Worth Bowman**, member; **Dakota Boyd**, niece of *Elaine Wood*; **Brianna Bryant**, 9 month old daughter of friend of *Stephanie Wood*; **Mary Burke**, *Steve Wolak's mother*; **Elise Corona**, daughter of a friend of *Sue Bryant*; **Lynn Cross**, member; **Joyce and Jim Crowson**, friends of *Dick Embry*; **Sandra Dail**, friend of the church; **Wanda Johnson Dupree**, previous member; **Barbara Ellis**, mother of *Georgeanna Phillips*; **Mike Kefauver**, *Brittany Jones' father*; **Sandy Kopanski**, member; **Harley Kremer**, *Andrea Jones niece*; **Vic LaSaxon**, *Chris Nooney's brother-in-law*; **Hubert Lipscomb**, scout leader; **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*; **Kathy Rose**, friend of *Kim Schmidt*; **Marie Rouse**, *delivery driver's wife*; **Barbara Walton**, member; **John Wright**, *Chris Nooney's father*; and **Eva Younts**, *Nadine Reed's Aunt*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Session of the church approved the following safety/security procedures to be implemented in order to provide a safer environment for Sunday School and Worship Service. These new procedures come after a recent meeting at the church with the Church Safety Team, Session and Johnston County Sheriff Deputies Crocker and Strickland.

1. No exterior doors will be propped open during Sunday School or Worship Service.
2. During Sunday School, only four doors will be unlocked, those being the portico (covered drive-thru) door, upper fellowship hall double doors, main sanctuary door and handicap ramp door next to sanctuary.
3. During worship at 11:05 am, the back usher will lock all doors except the main sanctuary door.

Mission & Outreach – Thank you! Last Sunday ended our annual clothing drive for Pizazz. Thank you for your contributions to this worthy cause. We were overwhelmed with the contributions and generosity of our congregation. We delivered the items on Wednesday to the Pizazz store in Smithfield.

Fish Fry Volunteer Meeting Wednesday, May 9 at 6:30 pm – Everyone is invited to be a part of our upcoming Fish Fry fundraiser for Friday, May 18. There are opportunities for all ages and skill levels. Sign-up sheets for volunteers are located in the Upper Fellowship Hall.

The Senior Luncheon for May will be held on the 15th, because of the election being held on the 8th. It will be at White Memorial Presbyterian Church at noon. If you are going, please let Margie Taylor know by the evening of Wednesday, May 9th so that the cooks know how much food to prepare. Contact Margie at margieataylor@aol.com or 919-207-0149.

End of year LOGOS Celebration May 20, 3:00 - 5:00.

Food, Fun and Fellowship for all. Please complete the waiver release form for each person participating (located behind Sanctuary) and return to Kristy Stephenson. Hamburgers and hotdogs will be served at 5:00, please RSVP to Kevin Creech, kmocreech@gmail.com.

FISH FRY TICKETS – Our Fish Fry event is scheduled for May 18. Tickets are available and being distributed by members of the Ticket Committee: Kevin Creech, Eric Faircloth, Jeff Wood and Pete Booth. If you have not received your ticket packet but would like one, please contact one of these fellas. Our goal is to have money from those tickets sold and **any unsold tickets to be handed in on or before May 6.** Many thanks for the congregation's support of this fund raising event.

Sponsors Needed! If you feel led to be a fish fry sponsor or know someone that would like to sponsor, please let Ryan or Allison Nelms know. All sponsorships include 4 fish fry tickets and advertisement at the event! If you have a logo or business card please attach that with your money! You can email us at apnelms5512@gmail.com or call Ryan at 919-669-1209 or Allison at 919-625-5575.

Men's Annual Fish Fry Fundraiser, Friday, May 18 Volunteer opportunities: Help is needed in all areas to make this a successful event. Contact Jonathan Kershaw at clkandjlk@yahoo.com or call (919) 639-0447 for questions.

Providence Women are sponsoring a Bake Sale at the Fish Fry Friday, May 18 – Baked goods needed! Cakes, Cookies, Pies, Breads, Bake-less deserts; all donations needed. Special Occasion deserts for future dates also available! Proceeds will go to the building fund. Sign-up sheets are in the hallway at the UFH. Contact Carole Kershaw for questions at (919) 639-0447.

Providence Presbyterian Church Softball Team – Games have started and go through Mid-June. We play at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church off Hwy 401 just a few miles north of Fuquay. The Ballfield is on Hilltop Needmore Road which is just past the Ford dealership coming from Fuquay. Address: Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, 10005 Lake Wheeler Road, Fuquay, NC 27526. Come join the fun and support our Team! The schedule is on the April Newsletter.

Graduate Sunday – Is coming soon! If you are graduating from high school or college please let us know! Contact Cindy Lynch at ppchurchsecretary@gmail.com or call the church office at 919-894-4063. Graduate Sunday, is June 10.

PPC Women's Fellowship June Outing –

Play: The Charitable Sisterhood of the Second Trinity Victory Church, Comedy by Bo Wilson at Neuse Little Theatre at The Hut, Smithfield, NC (**June 1&2 – 8 pm; June 3 – 3 pm; June 8&9 – 8 pm**) Tickets \$10

Roads are flooded, bridges are washed out, and less generous souls are staying safely indoors, but it takes more than a little rain to keep the ladies of the Charitable Sisterhood from fulfilling their sworn mission. When these ladies meet to organize a relief effort for homeless Guatemalans, they are greeted with a mountain of community donations—but one woman's junk is another woman's treasure, and that pile of stuff in this little church basement is hiding a thing or two. Our angels of mercy will leave you breathless with laughter as they do their best to help the victims of global disaster, spiritual deprivation and, most of all, one another.

Contact: If you have interest in attending the play, please email Cathy Simmons your preferred dates/times at cesimmons112@gmail.com or call 919-275-4399. Date/time will be decided by majority. Please feel free to pass on info for any future outings you are aware of.

Planning is underway for Providence's VBS and we need YOUR help! Mark your calendar for Sunday, July 22nd through Thursday, July 26th and volunteer for an island adventure where kids discover how Jesus rescues us through life's storms! Sign up to volunteer at <http://bit.ly/PPCVBS2018>

Registration for children is now available on the church website or you may complete the registration form in the bulletin insert.

All Youth who have completed 6th grade and are interested in going to Ft. Caswell this summer, July 16-21 need to RSVP to Barri Martin (bhmartin74@gmail) or Kevin Creech (kmocreech@gmail.com). Youth needed to pay their \$50 **deposit by March 25**. Parent volunteers are also needed to help chaperone this retreat. Chaperones will not need to pay a deposit. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to help support our PPC Youth.

Presbyterian Women Joint Circle Mtg - Tuesday, 15 May 2018, 7:00pm, Upper Fellowship Hall. All women of PPC are invited to attend. We will have refreshments. Ann Benson will be leading our Bible Study (Lesson #9). We will then review old and new business. This will be our last circle meeting of the 2017-2018 study year. There will be a PW Coordinating Team Mtg on Tuesday, 14 Aug at 7:00pm in the UFH. We will then kick off the 2018-2019 study year at the Tuesday, 18 Sept 2018, 7:00pm PW Joint Circle Mtg.

Food Pantry and Backpack Buddies - Please bring your food donations for these worthy ministries and place them in the blue bins near the foyer doors leading into the Upper Fellowship Hall.

Pastor Davis will be out of town May 7th – 9th, contact Kent Walton or David Collier should you have immediate needs. Jim will be checking email as time permits.

Monthly Church Newsletter – The May 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.

Please Note – 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.

Reminder – Please email ppchurchsecretary@gmail.com if you need to:

- Add or remove anyone from the Joy or Prayer list
- Schedule use of the Upper or Lower Fellowship Halls
- Update the Directory