

**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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**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
SEPTEMBER 23, 2018**

Flowers are given today to the glory of God and in celebration of Brock's 2nd Birthday by his parents Ryan and Allison Nelms.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Call to Worship (from Psalm 9) Jeff Wood

Leader: *I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;*

People: *I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.*

Leader: *I will be glad and exult in you;*

People: *I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.*

Leader: *He judges the world with righteousness;*

People: *He judges the peoples with equity.*

Leader: *The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.*

People: *And those who know the Lord's name put their trust in the Lord.*

All: *Let us worship the Lord our God.*

***Opening Hymn "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" # 59**

Confession of Sin (In Unison)

Lord God, Most High, we lower our heads before you and we confess that we have too often forgotten that we are yours. Sometimes we carry on our lives as if there was no God and we fall short of being a credible witness to You. For these things we ask your forgiveness, and we also ask for your strength. Give us clear minds and open hearts so we may witness to You in our world. Remind us to be who You would have us to be regardless of what we are doing or who we are with. Hold us to You and build our relationship with You and with those You have given us on earth. In the name of Jesus we pray.

Silence for Personal Confession

Assurance of Forgiveness

Leader: *In the Kingdom of God we have our assurance and citizenship,*

People: *Through Jesus Christ we are engrafted into the family of God!*

***Responsive Hymn "I Believe in Jesus" # 675**

***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

Teacher Recognition

Reception of New Members

Old Testament Scripture Lesson Exodus 15:6-13

Anthem Providence Choir

"How Can I Keep From Singing"

Musical Interlude for Children's Worship

(Children ages 4 thru 5th grade led by Stephanie Wood)

Morning Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

New Testament Scripture Lesson Luke 23:32-43

Sermon "The Kingdom of Heaven" Rev. Jim Davis

***Dedication Hymn # 405**

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

***Acolyte, Benediction and 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!

September Scripture Passage

³⁰ They left the city and were on their way to him. ³¹ Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." ³² But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." ³³ So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" ³⁴ Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. ³⁵ Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. ³⁶ The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. ³⁷ For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' ³⁸ I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."
John 4:30-38

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 August	\$157,989.45
2018 General Fund Expenses through August	\$192,402.07
General Fund Receipts for August	\$17,463.58
General Fund Expenses for August	\$26,899.34
General Fund Receipts so far for September	\$12,921.45
General Fund Receipts for September 9	\$5,558.95
Attendance for Sunday School September 9	74
Attendance for Worship September 9	99

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/Safety/Security: Kent Walton

Ushers: Jimmy Stuart, Johnny Wood and Riley Wood (back)

Acolyte: Kimsey Bagley

Nursery: Beth Pickens and Carolyn Stuart

Children's Worship: Stephanie Wood and Rob Wood

Lay Reader: Jeff Wood

Fellowship Time: Fellowship Committee

Assisting in Worship next Sunday, September 30

Elder of the Month/Greeter/Safety/Security: Kent Walton

Ushers: John Daniel, Todd Frickman, and Wayne Lamm (back)

Acolyte: Meadow Creech

Nursery: Carolyn Stuart and Adam Stuart

Children's Worship: Stephanie Wood and Rob Wood

Lay Reader: Kevin Creech

Fellowship Time: Encouragers Class

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence:

9:45 am: Sunday School

10:25 am: Fellowship Time

11:00 am: Worship Service

Weekly Events:

Sep 24. M&O Comm. Meet at 11:00 am at Stollers' Home
Personnel Committee Meeting 7:00 pm Seekers Rm

Sep 25. Prayer Shawl 10:00 am LFH
Presbyterian Women Joint Circle Mtg. 7:00 UFH

Sep 26. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm

Sep 28. Youth BBQ Fundraiser and Bake Sale

Upcoming Events:

Sep 30. Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Oct 1. Congregational Care Meeting 10:00 am

Oct 2. Card Ministry 10:00 am

Long Range Planning/Worship Joint Mtg. 7:00 pm

Oct 3. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am
Adult Choir Practice 7:30 pm

Oct 5. Fellowship & Fitness Group 10:00 am

PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: As for God, His way is perfect ... Psalm 18:30

CONCERNS: Our condolences go out to the family of Laura McLamb who died last week.

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:

Sherry Baker, friend of *Laura Langdon*; **Priscilla Beckwith**, friend of *Sandy Kopanski*; **Joanne Boyle**, *Bob Zattiero's niece*; **Lisa Bradshaw**, member; **Barbara Habina**, mother-in-law of *Miriam Lambert's nephew*; **Becky Hall**, friend of *Carolyn Johnson*; **Jerry Hall**, extended family of *Wendy and Sam Stephenson*; **Ann Hargis**, community; **Consuelo Hawkins**, *Joe Hawkins' mother*; **Randy Stephenson**, *Jon Nooney's cousin*; **Chad Talley**, friend of *John Pickens*.

Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

Nancy Allen, *Sheila Dupree's mom*; **H. A. Andrews**, father of *Andrea Jones*; **Sara Barber**, *Vickie Faircloth's mother*; **Carolyn Burns**, *Rich Lambert's sister*; **Worth Bowman**, member; **Mary Burke**, *Steve Wolak's mother*; **Elise Corona**, daughter of a friend of *Sue Bryant*; **Joyce Crowson**, friend 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*; **Harley Kremer**, *Andrea Jones niece*; **Vic LaSaxon**, *Chris Nooney's brother-in-law*; **Hubert Lipscomb**, scout leader; **Bill McClandless**, friend of *Bob Zattiero*; **Nancy Nelms**, member; **Sue Nicholson**, *Chris Nooney's sister*; **Jon Nooney**, member; **Lou Penny**, member; **Wanda Presnell**, friend of *Beth Wolak*; **Caleb Reese**, cousin of *Andrea Jones*; **Kathy Rose**, friend of *Kim Schmidt*; **Ann King Stephenson**, member; **Justin Vess**, brother-in-law of *Andrea Jones*; **Barbara Walton**, member; **John Wright**, *Chris Nooney's father*; and **Eva Younts**, *Nadine Reed's Aunt*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mission & Outreach Committee – During September we have been collecting health and hygiene items for **Military Missions in Action (MMIA)**. A list is posted on our bulletin board. Items collected are for their **Fill the Locker Program** for homeless veterans and will be handed out at the Homeless Veterans Stand Down. This event is held in Raleigh on **November 2, 2018**. Please place your donated items in the designated container outside the UFH.

The Providence Chapter of Presbyterian Women - Our Joint Circle Mtg was moved to Tues, 25 Sept. Please meet in the UFH at 7:00pm. All women of PPC are invited to participate. Study Guides are in the Encouragers Sunday School Classroom. Please sign for the guide when you pick up one. See you Tuesday.

PROVIDENCE YOUTH BBQ – will be held on **Friday, September 28, 2018** from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$8.00 and proceeds support our PPC youth activities. We will need everyone's help to successfully pull off pull off this wonderful fundraiser for our youth. Sign-up sheets will be in the Upper Fellowship Hall and on the PPC Bulletin Board.

Questions can be directed to Scott Martin: martin4nc@gmail.com, Eric Faircloth: ericfaircloth@embarqmail.com or Kevin Creech: kmocreech@gmail.com

BBQ BAKE SALE ITEMS NEEDED - In conjunction with the Youth BBQ, the PPC Women will hold a Bake Sale on Friday, September 28, 2018 from 11:00 am to 7:00 pm. Bake Sale items are available at the drive-thru and inside the Fellowship Hall. Help will be needed to staff both. Please contact Carole Kershaw at clkandjlk@yahoo.com or call 919-639-0447 if you can volunteer or will donate items. Donations of candy, cakes, pies, cookies, snack mix or whatever you would like to prepare and bring are greatly appreciated!

LOGOS Starts October 7 – This reflects a start date change due to Hurricane Florence. LOGOS is for children Preschool (fully potty trained) through High School. LOGOS is the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month and starts at 5:00 pm. Online registration is now available, or you may fill out the inserted registration form and place it in the offering plate or the CCE mailbox. If you have any questions about LOGOS or would like to volunteer with this ministry, please contact Vickie Faircloth.

The Fellowship and Fitness Walking Group – Since Summer vacations are coming to an end - we at the PPC Walking Group invite you to do something healthy for yourself and walk with us. We end each meeting in prayer for our church family and each other. We meet Wednesday and Friday mornings at 10:00 am in the UFH. Also, first come first served, there are 2-2X, 3-Large and 2-Medium walking group T-shirts left. Free to any new walkers! All are welcome!

Church Newsletter – The September 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.

The Quarterly Service List of those that serve in our Worship Services is also available on our church website to help with scheduling for the next three months.

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.

For safety/security, no exterior doors will be propped open during services and all doors will be locked during the 11:00 am service except the main sanctuary door.

Presentation of Candidates

There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Obeing the word of our Lord Jesus, and confident of His promises, we baptize those whom God has called. In Baptism God claims us, and seals us to show that we belong to God. God frees us from sin and death, uniting us with Jesus Christ in His death and resurrection. By water and the Holy Spirit, we are made members of the church, the body of Christ, and joined to Christ's ministry of love, peace, and justice.

Let us remember with joy our own baptism, as we celebrate this day.

Elder: On behalf of the session, I present John and Arline Mott to be received as new members through Letter of Transfer and Reaffirmation of faith.

You come to us as members of one holy catholic church, into which you were baptized, and by which you have been nurtured. We are one with each other, sisters and brothers in the family of God. We rejoice in the gifts you bring to us.

As you join with us in the worship and service of this congregation, it is fitting that together we reaffirm the covenant into which we were baptized, claiming again the promises of God which are ours in baptism.

Profession of Faith

With the whole church, let us confess our faith

(In Unison)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; and in Jesus Christ His only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; On the third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into Heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

Will you John and Arline be a faithful member of this congregation, share in its worship and ministry through your prayers and gifts, your study and service, and so fulfill your calling to be a disciple of Jesus Christ?

I will, with God's help

Words of Welcome

Through their baptism, they have been received into the one holy catholic and apostolic church, affirming the covenant into which they were baptized. As members of the household of God, God has called them to serve Christ in the world. Let us welcome them to this ministry.

John and Arline Mott
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