

SUNDAY WORSHIP
4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
December 20, 2020

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude and Acolyte

Lighting of the Advent Candle Chris and Kristy Stephenson Family

****Call to Worship** (Jeremiah 33:14-16)

***Opening Hymn** # 221
** “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly”

****Prayer of Confession** (*In Unison*)

Silence for Personal Confession

****Assurance of Forgiveness** (Jeremiah 33)

*** Responsive Hymn** # 214
** “Still, Still, Still”

Children’s Talk Doug Sonderfan
(*Children are dismissed to Sunday School after Children’s Talk*)

***Affirmation of Faith** ** “The Apostle’s Creed”

Prayer of Dedication for His Tithes and Our Offering
(*The offering plates are available at the doors entering worship before and after; for the collection of tithes and offering donations.*)

*** ** Doxology**

Morning Prayers and The Lord’s Prayer

Scripture Reading Luke 1:39-56

Sermon Rev. Nadia Stropich
“Rejoice!”

***Dedication Hymn** # 198
** “Good Christian Friends Rejoice”

***Acolyte and Benediction**

Postlude

**Signifies Congregation to Stand*

***Signifies to please see the overhead screen*

Please remain seated to be dismissed by an usher after the benediction and proceed outside for any gatherings to ensure the social distancing safety of all. Thank you.

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

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.

Parents, the nursery is available, but we do request a parent stay with their child as we do not yet have attendants. Thank you.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

Assisting in Worship This Sunday:

Acolyte: Meadow Creech

Children’s Talk: Doug Sonderfan

Elder of the Month: Carolyn Johnson

Greeters: Session

Security: John Daniel

Ushers: Tony Bryant, Kevin Creech, and Eric Faircloth

Assisting in Worship Next Sunday, December 27:

Acolyte: William Stephenson

Children’s Talk: Wendy Stephenson

Elder of the Month: Carolyn Johnson

Greeters: Session

Security: John Daniel

Ushers: Pete Booth, John Kopanski, and Eric Faircloth

Weekly Statistics

2020 General Fund Receipts through November	\$284,111.37
2020 General Fund Expenses through November	\$286,147.99
General Fund Receipts for November	\$18,077.00
General Fund Expenses for November	\$26,288.98
General Fund Receipts so far for December	\$18,030.00
General Fund Receipts for December 13	\$10,750.00
Homecoming Receipts so far	\$30,320.00
Attendance for Worship December 13	57

Church Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9am-1pm

Pastor’s Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9am-1pm with varying additional hours in afternoon. Pastor can be reached after hours at: 937-903-9487.

Ministers of Providence Presbyterian Church

The People of Providence Presbyterian Church

Reverend
Nadia Stropich

Session

Class of 2020

Christian Education
Kevin Creech

Personnel
David Collier

Property
Steve Newnam

Class of 2021

Congregational Care
Carolyn Johnson

Financial
Sam Stephenson

Long Range Planning
Scott Martin

Class of 2022

Fellowship
Donna Stolle

Mission & Outreach
John Kopanski

Worship
Vickie Faircloth

Accounting Treasurer
Sam Stephenson

Clerk
Mary Ann Booth

Collections Treasurer
Ann Benson

Music Director/Organist/Pianist
Brittany Jones

Pianist
Angie Searcy

Secretary
Cindy Lynch

Sunday School Superintendent
Kristy Stephenson

Website
David Nelms

CHURCH CALENDAR

Today at Providence:

11:00 am: Sunday Worship Service
4th Sunday of Advent
Congregation Meets After Service

Weekly Events:

Dec. 23. Deadline for January Newsletter
Dec. 24. Christmas Eve Service 7:00 pm
Dec. 25. Christmas Day
PPC Office Closed

Upcoming Events:

Dec. 27. Sunday Worship Service
Jan. 1. New Year's Day 2021
PPC Office Closed



PRAYER LIST OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

JOYS: Christmas is this week! Hark the herald angels sing!

CONCERNS:

Members of the Providence Family in Long-Term Care:

Marilyn Johnson at *Barbour Court Nursing in Smithfield*; **Bobbie Langdon** at *Highland Village in Cary*.

Persons Living with Cancer, including:

Scott Barns, Ricky Baskett, (*Carolyn Johnson*); **Joanne Boyle**, (*Bob Zattiero*); **Lisa Bradshaw, Dede Bumgarner**, (*Brittany Parks*); **Frank Camarda**, (*Nicole Hughes*); **Becky Hall**, (*Carolyn Johnson*); **Ann Hargis, Jamie Harris**, (*Andrea Jones*); **Nancy Lange**, (*John Mott*); **Terasha McChann** (*Bob Reed*); **Doug Parvin**, (*Steve Wolak*); **Bill Rice**, (*Carolyn Johnson*); **David Ryan**, (*John Pickens*); **Tammy Sullivan**, (*Frank Hugh*); and **Abby Stanley**, (*John Pickens*).

Persons with Ongoing Health Concerns, including:

Nancy Allen, (*Sheila Dupree*); **H. Andrews**, (*Andrea Jones*); **Malory**, (*Lauren Bellissimo*); **Sara Barber**, (*Vickie Faircloth*); **Lauren Bellissimo**, (*David and Pamela Collier*); **Wilburn Berrier**, (*Patricia Forren*); **Worth Bowman, Patricia Chapin**, (*Carolyn Johnson*); **Elise Corona**, (*Sue Bryant*); **Larry Creech**, (*Kevin Creech*); **Ryan Crisco**, (*Brittany Jones*); **Chris Darden and wife**, (*Cathy Simmons*); **Barbara Ellis**, (*Georgeanna Phillips*); **Norma and Charles Evans**, (*Carolyn Johnson*); **Chic and Mary Lou Folkman, Ronda Fullenkamp**, (*Rick and Margie Taylor*); **Emma Gardner**, (*Christina Jones*); **Courtney & Jeff Gulley**, (*Kent Walton*); **David Guss**, (*Andrea Jones*); **Willie Hardisen**, (*Carol Sawyer*); **John Harris**, (*Andrea Jones*); **Diane Hefter**, (*Carolyn Stevenson*); **Laura Kershaw**, (*Jonathan & Carole Kershaw*); **Brian Johnson**, (*Don Dupree*); **Ken King**, (*Lamberts*); **Harley Kremer**, (*Andrea Jones*); **Brianna Langreder**, (*John and Arline Mott*); **Tern Lee**, (*Lauren Bellissimo*); **Bill McClandless**, (*Bob Zattiero*); **Ken McGee**, (*Ann Benson*); **Judy Nemeth**, (*Rich & Miriam Lambert*); **Dorothy Nesselrodt, Eunice Newnam, Daphne Noles; Mary Tyler Nordan**, (*Tyler and Natalie Nordan*); **Zachary Parks**, (*Brittany Parks*); **Ed & Lou Penny, Finley Price**, (*Travis Jones*); **Caleb Reese**, (*Andrea Jones*); **Lycia Reese**, (*Andrea Jones*); **Becky Roberts, John Rogers; Mitch Sonderfan**, (*Doug Sonderfan*); **Stephen Southers, Ann K. Stephenson, Wayne Stephenson**, (*Sam Stephenson*); **Charles Tadlock**, (*Pamela Collier*); **Angie Walker**, (*Eunice Newnam*); **Kevin Walton**, (*Kent Walton*); **Austin Williamson**, (*Carolyn Johnson*); **Jean Yeager**, (*Rich Lambert's sister*); and **Eva Younts**, (*Nadine Reed*).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deadlines for the Month:

Bulletin and Friday Reminder Deadline: Wednesday, 12:00 pm

Monthly Newsletter: 23rd of the month, 1:00 pm

Available on the website:

Church Newsletter "Presbyterians At The Crossroads"

Sunday Worship Messages and other updates also on Facebook

Congregational Meeting is today after worship to elect the Class of 2023 Ruling Elders.

Christmas Eve Service – We will have one Christmas Eve Communion and Candlelight Service at 7 pm on Thursday, December 24th.

Post Christmas Decor Change - Just a reminder that your poinsettia plants will be available to take home starting after the Christmas Eve Service. Advent decor will be removed and returned to storage on Saturday, 2 Jan, starting at 9:30am. We welcome anyone who would like to help with this annual task. Any questions? Contact Donna Stolle at: 860-214-6698, <dms6330@gmail.com>. Thank you.

The Youth Group is in need of volunteers who will provide a snack for them Sunday nights Jan. through May. If you would like to help, contact Margie Taylor at 919-207-0149. Thank you for supporting our youth.

Youth Ski Trip - The ski trip for the high schoolers is planned for January 16-18th. We are going to Beech Mountain. Any questions, parents can contact Eric Faircloth, cell number: 919-201-2696.

COMING SOON! BLOOD DRIVE on January 8th, 2 pm to 6:30 pm. Set up your appointment early so you can get the time you want. Call Margie Taylor at 919-207-0149 or email at margieataylor@aol.com. COVID safety measures are being used at the blood drives.

Please note: Doug Sonderfan has a new phone number: 919-501-8324.

Finance – We are now able to accept on line giving on home our webpage www.providencepresb.org. For more information contact Sam Stephenson at 919-757-5869 with any questions.

Donation Options - Providence Presbyterian Church can accept donations of stocks and other securities. To make a donation or obtain more information, please contact Ann Benson, Collections Treasurer.

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

- Add or remove anyone from the prayer list

- Update the Directory for a change of address, phone number or email

