



Come upon these waters.

**Come upon these waters.**

Let these waters be to us drops of your mercy.

**Let these waters remind us of your righteousness and justice.**

Let these waters renew in us the resurrection power of Jesus.

**Let these waters make us long for your coming reign.**

Most Holy God, Abba, Father!

**Glory to you!**

Jesus Christ, Savior, Lord!

**Glory to you!**

Spirit of fire, Spirit over the waters, Spirit of holiness!

**Glory to you!**

Eternal God, One in Three and Three in One!

**All glory is yours, now and forever. Amen!**

+Hymn\*

“Spirit Song”

UMH 347

*All who are baptized and have renewed their vows are invited to come to the font to use the water as a sign of refreshing. Pick up a shell as a symbol of your renewal today.*

+Benediction

+Postlude

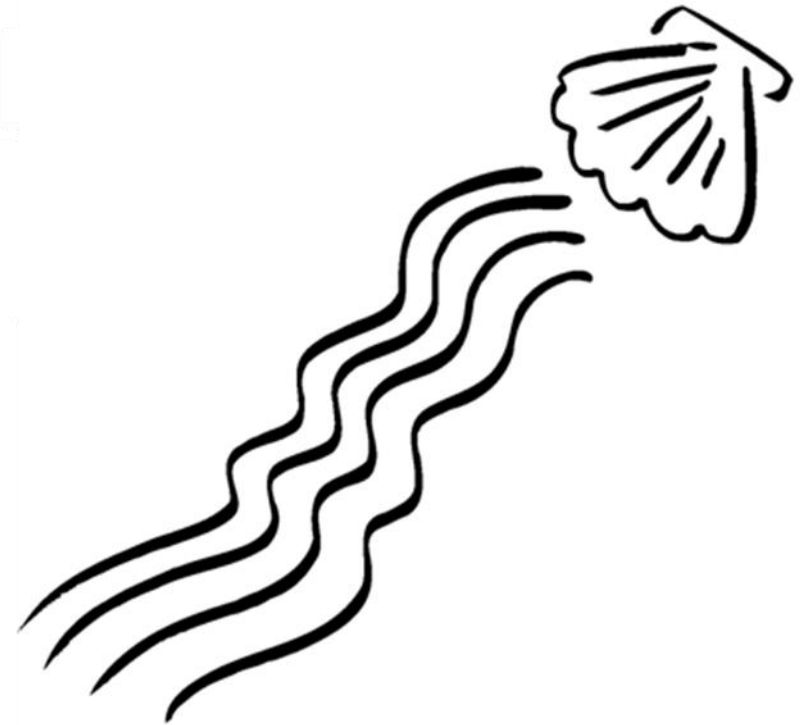
“Andante Grazioso”

Arr. Frank Asper

*Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.*

**Welcome, guests. We're glad you're here!**

- Children's worship bags and age-appropriate worship activity bulletins are available in the foyer.
- Name tags can be found on the clipboards in the pews.
- Assisted listening devices and large print hymnals are available. Ask an usher for assistance.
- A nursery is offered as an option for our children newborn through age four.



**Providence United Methodist Church**

**January 9, 2011**

## PRAYER MINISTRY

**Hospitalized:** Kathy Kincaid (Johnston-Willis)  
**Rehabilitation:** Arnold Ashburn (Sheltering Arms)

The prayer request forms are located in the narthex and may be placed in the offering plate or left in the office. In order to keep our GATHERED PRAYER CONCERNS list up-to-date, names will remain in the bulletin for four weeks. You may resubmit a request at any time.

**Our gathered prayer concerns:** Jeff Alred, Shirley Bailey, **Robert Bennett, Ted Clark, Sr.** (Susan Clark's father-in-law), Mae Clarke, Jessica Fulghum (Nancy and Tom Coffman's granddaughter), Steve Jones (friend of Hugh Miles), Gilda Jordan, **Charles King** (home following surgery on January 4), Caroline Lee (Roland Bodtke's sister), **Gloria Leggett and her family** (on the death of her husband, Art), Lynn Moyer (on the death of her mother, Anna Burak), **Kristin Palenscar** (Heather and Ed Harper's daughter), Barbara Ritch-Brant, **Lucile Robison** (John Robison's mother), Bruce Roeder (Isabell Bodtke's nephew), Vicki Rogers (Tracey Kellam's friend), Chuck Schlottman (at home with Jean Riekers and family), **Nancy Segal** (Wendy Collins' co-worker), **the Fleenor and Spenik families** (on the death of Denise's husband, John), Hannah Stnons, Michael and Carol Urso and their family (on the death of his mother, Dolly Haas, on December 26), **Jack Waters, Rick Weems, Anna Yeatts, the students and faculty of Greenfield Elementary School and Douglas S. Freeman High School** who lost students in home fires recently

Our service men and women, wherever they serve, and their families.

Julia Berger	Kevin Judd	Megan Thomas Clark	Bobby Swanson
Nathan Berger	Kenneth Wagner	Cris Deyo	Brent Davis
Hunter Blankenship	Wayne Lee	Brian Wilson	Jennifer Collins
Bob Muchow			

Tom Koertge has recently been deployed. His address is as follows:

COL Tom Koertge  
FOB Salerno TMC  
TF MED-E, 144<sup>th</sup> ASMC  
APO, AE 09314

Providence Church has an email Prayer Ministry. Please call the Church Office at 276-4289 if you have an immediate need for which you think prayer is appropriate. The call should come from the person in need, or a member of his/her immediate family.

**Metro Richmond Prayer for January 9, 2011:** We pray to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism: For the elimination of discrimination in living patterns, public education, employment, political jurisdiction, and churches in Metropolitan Richmond.

## THOSE SERVING TODAY:

Acolytes (8:45)	Nicole Riekers (11:00)	Emma McConnell
Nursery (8:45)	Jennifer Ostrum	
Sunday School (11:00)	Jennifer Ostrum	
Counters	Michelle Butler and Carol Urso	
Ushers (8:45)	Linwood Hudson, Captain	
(11:00)	Billy Blankenship, Janet Knight, Wayne Latimer, Gary Wright	
Audio /Visual Team	Tony Fleshman, Laurie Breeden, Sean Collins, Jennifer Kennedy,	
Readers (8:45)	Joe Sullivan, Brad Wootten, Klaus Worrell	
Name Tag Organizer	Russ Byers	
Sanctuary Organizers	Jane Logan (11:00)	Isabelle Sullivan
	Jahna Seymour	
	Billie and Ralph Vernon	

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**The altar flowers** are presented by Mike and Cathy Patterson. "We honor God with these flowers and say thank you, God, for the gift of our son, Matthew, on his birthday."

**The narthex flowers** are placed to the glory of God and in honor of Lindsey Collins' birthday by her family.

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Director of Youth Ministries	Susan M. Clark
Director of Christian Education	Isabelle Sullivan
Church Secretary	Kathleen M. Smith
Office Assistant	Linda M. Collins
Director of Preschool Ministries 276-1462	Stephanie Daniel
Custodial Services	Mary Elliott
Nursery Worker	April Basham
Our Covenant Missionary	Kim King Torres

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, January 9

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m. Parenting Class (Room 304) (see announcement)
- 12:00 p.m. Cross Trainers
- 3:45 p.m. A Cappella Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 4:30 p.m. Pass It On Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
- 7:00 p.m. Bells of Providence Rehearsal

### Monday, January 10

- 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing (Room 309)
- 10:30 a.m. Providence Retired Club (Social Hall)
- 6:30 p.m. Evangelism Committee (Parlor)
- 6:45 p.m. Fit-N-Faith (Room 309)
- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee (Library)
- 7:00 p.m. Disciple 1 (Room 206)

### Tuesday, January 11

- 10:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 206)
- 10:30 a.m. Laughon Circle (will meet at the church)
- 6:30 p.m. Christian Believer (Room 206)
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)
- 6:30 p.m. Stewardship Committee (Library)
- 7:15 p.m. Boy Scouts (Social Hall)

### Wednesday, January 12

- 1:30 p.m. Knitters and Crocheters (with Nancy Gillie)
- No KC Jam Choir Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Education Committee (Library)
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### Thursday, January 13

- 6:00 p.m. Starlighters Group (Social Hall)
- 7:00 p.m. Staff-Parish Relations Committee (Library)

### Friday, January 14

- 8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Room 309)

### Sunday, January 16

- 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School for all ages
- 12:15 p.m. Informational Meeting for Covenant Disciple Group (Library)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **Parenting Class** is beginning TODAY with a study called “Have a New Kid By Friday.” All parents are welcome to join the class in Room 304 on Sundays at 9:45 a.m.

New opportunities for **small groups** are beginning in January. Please see the January newsletter for more information. Take a look at these options and sign up.

- **“Building Your Marriage to Last”** - This seven-session study will begin on January 28th and will meet every other Friday evening from 7:00-8:30 at the home of Christopher and Isca Wilms.
- **Covenant Disciple Group** - A weekly group for spiritual friendship and support in your Christian walk. An informational meeting will be held on Sunday, January 16, at 12:15 p.m. in the Library.
- **Revelation Study** - This six-week study will be taught by Pastor Mary Beth on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:30, in Room 206, beginning on January 26.
- **Discovering the Meaning of Life** – Classes will begin on January 18 and will meet each Tuesday at 11:00 a.m. in the Library. Fred Loveless is the facilitator.

**KC Jam** Children’s Choir will begin practice on January 26 from **6:30 to 7:30**. All Children in grades K-5 are invited to participate in room 306. Note the new time.

**Wednesday Night Dinners will start January 26.** If your group is interested in preparing a dinner, please sign up on the clipboard outside room 203.

**Homeward’s Point in Time Count will be held on January 27, 2011.** This event is held twice a year. At the event, we will offer those experiencing homelessness some items to provide them comfort and warmth. These items include adult size socks, scarves and hats, gloves, and granola bars. Donations may be left in the “Homeward” bin at the Missions table. For more information, visit [www.homewardva.org](http://www.homewardva.org). Thanks for supporting our efforts to help the homeless community.

Our **Human Relations Day** special offering next Sunday will support United Methodist Voluntary Service, Youth Offender Rehabilitation Programs, and community developers (“our primary focus is to help kids see Jesus and to help them grow developmentally and spiritually”).

### **A word from the Finance Committee...**

2 Corinthians 9:7 says "...for God loves a cheerful giver."

You all were certainly cheerful and generous givers in 2010 and our church is truly blessed with the financial results for the year. Total receipts were \$404,078, compared to \$403,813 for 2009. Expenditures were \$401,826 vs. \$400,412. Most significantly, we received about \$3,000 more in current gifts than in 2009. All apportionment payments were made in full for the year and all of our planned ministries were able to be funded as requested.

Happy New Year to all as we look forward to a great 2011!

Bill Mannering, Chairperson  
Finance Committee

### **Funding for Ministry in 2011**

Ministry at Providence United Methodist Church happens through many dedicated people and with resources provided by our congregation. The money given through our regular and special offerings helps fund all that we do in Jesus' name. For the year 2011, the ministry costs that we anticipate through our operating budget will be: **\$445,766**

This represents a 2% increase compared to last year. We believe that Providence United Methodist Church is up to the challenge of meeting these ministry needs. Thank you for considering all that our church does with the money you so generously give. Here's where the money goes:

**Inside the walls**, many significant educational, caring, worshipful moments happen every day, not just on Sunday. The lives of children, youth and adults are changed through the ministries planned and carried out by our committees and staff: **\$23,100**

**Outside the walls**, mission and ministry happens through evangelistic outreach, our youth mission trips, CCHASM, our missionary Kim King Torres and Branches, Society of St. Andrew, CARITAS; and also through our share of district, conference and world-wide ministry including mission in over 100 countries: **\$76,026**

**Through our staff**, we provide for specialized ministries in four different areas. Included are salaries and related expenses for our Pastor, Director of Youth Ministry, Director of Christian Education, Director of Music, nursery worker and two office staff: **\$207,540**

**In our office**, "the word" gets out with the help of copy equipment, printer, computers, supplies and postage expense: **\$14,900**

**In our church building** many ministries happen day in and day out, including use by many community groups. Included are maintenance costs, utilities, janitorial service, cleaning supplies and a monthly mortgage payment: **\$124,200**

*A detailed line-item budget for 2011 is available from the church office.*