



Greeters	(8:45) (11:00)	Anna Knight Shirley Hathaway and Megan Roberson
Acolytes	(8:45)	Molly Roberson (11:00) Kelsey Alred
Nursery	(8:45)	Jennifer Ostrum (11:00) Becky Wagner and Shirley Collins
Sunday School		Pamela Groome
Counters		Linwood Hudson, Captain
Ushers	(8:45) (11:00)	Billy Blankenship, Carolyn Bilski, Chris Healy David Sommer, Lee Bradshaw, Bob Fitch, Linwood Hudson, T. L. Jenkins, Stuart Watkins, George Winstead
Audio/Visual Team		Russ Byers
Readers	(8:45) (11:00)	Megan Roberson and Mary Beth Blinn Paul Martin and Mary Beth Blinn
Name Tag Organizer		Jahna Seymour
Sanctuary Organizers		Peggy Gillette and Eula Phillips

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**The altar flowers** are given to the glory of God and in memory of her husband, S. A. "Red" Sutton, on his birthday, by Barbara Sutton.

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*Providence United Methodist Church*

*Belong. Be transformed. Make a difference.*

*March 20, 2011*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, March 20

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 12:00 p.m. Cross Trainers
- 12:15 p.m. New Fire Choir Rehearsal
- 4:00 p.m. A Cappella Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 4:30 p.m. Pass It On Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
- 5:00 p.m. Girl Scouts (Room 309)
- 5:30 p.m. Youth Fellowship
- 7:00 p.m. Bells of Providence Rehearsal
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Study (Room 206)

### Monday, March 21

- 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing Class (Room 309)
- 5:45 p.m. Covenant Disciple Group
- 6:25 p.m. Committee Chairpersons' Meeting (Library)
- 7:00 p.m. Church Council (Room 309)
- 7:00 p.m. Disciple 1 (Room 206)

### Tuesday, March 22

- 10:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 206)
- 11:00 a.m. Small Group (Library)
- 6:30 p.m. Christian Believer (Room 206)
- 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)
- 7:30 p.m. Worship (Library)
- 7:15 p.m. Boy Scouts (Social Hall)

### Wednesday, March 23

- 5:30 p.m. Fellowship Dinner (Social Hall)
  - 6:00 p.m. Providence Court Meeting (Room 205)
  - 6:20-7:20 p.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)
- No KC JAM Rehearsal
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### Thursday, March 24

- 6:30 p.m. Women's Study (Room 309)
- 7:00 p.m. Providence Green Homeowners' Association (Library)

### Friday, March 25

- 9:15 a.m. Cooks for Christ go to Centenary UMC to help with feeding program
- 7:00 p.m. "Building Your Marriage"
- 8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Room 309)

### Saturday, March 26

- 10:00 a.m. Veggie Tale Event (Social Hall)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we are celebrating **Girl Scout Sunday**. We welcome the scouts, leaders and families from Troop 250 which meets at our church on Sunday evenings. We also have two of our own youth, Nicole Riekers and Kelsey Alred, from Troop 138.

Today a special offering will be received for **disaster relief in Japan** through the United Methodist Committee on Relief. Mark your check and/or envelope UMCOR. 100% of our gifts go directly to relief efforts.

Following the Wednesday Night Dinner on March 23, please join us in the sanctuary from 6:20 – 7:20 for the first of three **evenings of worship and music** (also April 6 and 27) on the themes of: Belong, Be Transformed, Make a Difference. Invite your friends, your family, and your neighbors. The service is very casual and all ages are encouraged to join in this worship experience. There will be music for everyone and lots of inspiration to go with it.

**Join us for a Western Good Time on Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. in the Social Hall.** We will have games, crafts, snacks, and a Veggie Tale movie. Come in your favorite western wear. Can't wait to see you there. Yee Haw!

Beginning next Sunday and continuing through Easter, there will be a display of **crosses** in the Narthex. Each cross will have one symbol from Jesus' life, especially his suffering, death and resurrection. The symbols will be added one by one throughout the 6 weeks of Lent.

A. M. Davis Elementary School will be holding its Spring Book Fair during the week of March 21<sup>st</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. daily. If you would like to **volunteer**, please contact Wendy Collins by email (Wendy\_Collins@ccpsnet.net or MrsCollins17@aol.com).

**Wednesday Night Dinner** on March 23 will be: Chicken Pot Pie, Baby Greens with Cranberries, and Chocolate Éclair Cake. Dinner costs \$5.00 per adult and \$4.00 for children 10 and under. Sign up on the clipboard today.

Until Easter our theme is FEARLESS: THE COURAGE TO QUESTION. Join us for worship each Sunday as we explore questions of faith through the scriptures. You may also join an **online Bible Study** called Encounter Faith that links current events with faith at [rethinkchurch.org/encounterfaith](http://rethinkchurch.org/encounterfaith) starting March 14. Go to our website ([providenceumc.net](http://providenceumc.net)) to connect with Facebook where you will find videos and podcasts that will lead us through this season of Lent.

Ask a **question** about faith and drop it in the question box in the foyer. Our pastor will select questions each week to answer in the sermon or on Facebook.

Cooks are needed for **Wednesday Night Dinners** on March 30 and April 27. Groups or individuals can cook for this event. Sign up outside Room 203.

**We had some leftover items from CARITAS and would like to convert the items to health kits to be sent to Annual Conference.** However, we need a few items to complete these kits. We will have a notice on the mission bulletin board where people can pull tags for the items needed. We especially need 16 hand towels, and 3 boxes of band aids (all the same size). These items are needed by May 15. Due to the recent disaster, there is a great need for health kits and birthing kits. We would encourage Sunday School classes and anyone who wants to make the birthing kits. Lists of items needed for health and birthing kits will be on the Missions bulletin board.

The Green Team would like everyone to save their **cardboard (not styrofoam) egg cartons**. They will be used for a project on March 30<sup>th</sup> following the Wednesday night dinner.

Don't forget that we are collecting plastic eggs, hard candies, simple toys and prizes for the **Spring Festival** to be held in April. Also, we are still looking for new or gently used Christian books and/or Bibles for children. These books will be handed out to all children that visit our festival.

**Boy Scout Mulch Sale:** If you did not pre-order mulch or need additional bags, they will be available today at the picnic shelter area of the church.

**Our directory is off to a good start.** Don't be left out! Sign up at our website for our remaining dates: March 24-26 and newly added April 15 and 16. Contact Kristie Willis (363-9047) if you have questions.

Pass along your digital pictures of church ministries and activities to Linda Collins. Email them to [linda.collins@providenceumc.net](mailto:linda.collins@providenceumc.net). We'd like to include your photos in our various forms of church communications.

**Are you interested in knowing how to become a member of Providence United Methodist Church?** Contact Pastor Mary Beth Blinn (276-4289 or [marybeth.blinn@providenceumc.net](mailto:marybeth.blinn@providenceumc.net)) to learn more about transferring your membership from another church or about being baptized and professing your faith in Jesus Christ.

## Prayer Ministry

**Hospitalized:** Fred Evans (Johnston-Willis)

New Address: Evelyn Agee, Hanover Health and Rehabilitation, 8139 Lee Davis Road, Room 300A, Mechanicsville, VA 23111

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, H. Lee Bradshaw (son of Leslie Lee Bradshaw, Jr.), Don Burks (father-in-law of Nancy Burks), Michael Byrd (Frances Byrd's grandson), Ted and Susan Clark on the death of Ted's father on March 9, Mae Clarke, **Pete Cole** (Jean Winfree's friend), Alex D'Arville (submitted by Bill Estes), Ed Driskill (LaVonne Stanley's father), Jessica Fulghum (Nancy and Tom Coffman's granddaughter), Dr. Perry T. Fuller (cousin of Barbara Ritch-Brant), the family of Frances Hardaway, Gilda Jordan, Kathy Kincaid, Danny King (cousin of Charles King), Morris Knight and his family on the death of his mother in North Carolina on March 6, Caroline Lee (Roland Bodtke's sister), Bill Mannering, **Rebekah Melancon**, Mike Mercer (Kathy Smith's brother), Grey Morris and his family (on the death of his sister, Anne Hale, in Galax, Virginia), Maxine O'Neal (sister of Joy Keeran's nurse aide), **William Ragland** (son of a co-worker of Wendy and Sean Collins), Barbara Ritch-Brant, Bruce Roeder (Isabell Bodtke's nephew), Joseph Salvaggio, Teri Wynne (Gregg Jenkins' sister).

**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		

**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 March 20, 2011:** We pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond. For emergency response personnel and all emergency room staff. For hospitals, nursing homes, and hospice programs, and for persons diagnosed with terminal illness.