


# *Providence United Methodist Church*

*Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.*

## **CONNECTIONS 9:00 am**

**Singing:** “The Same Love” and “Came to My Rescue”  
Michael Kalson, Contemporary Music Leader

### **Making Connections**

**Scripture:** John 10:11-18

**Message:** “Who is Our Shepherd?”  
Pastor Mary Beth Blinn

### **Prayer Time**

#### **The Lord’s Prayer**

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

**Singing with Offering:** “I Will Follow”

### **Benediction**

# 4th Sunday of Easter

April 26, 2015 11:00 a.m.

## THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

“Shepherd Medley”

arr. Don Wyrzten

+ Greeting\*

**People: God is here. God is healing.**

Leader: God is speaking. God is comforting.

**People: God is redeeming. God is forgiving.**

Leader: God is saving. God is empowering us.

**People: Hallelujah. God is here!**

+ Hymn

“He Lives”

UMH 310

Psalm Reading

Psalm 23

UMH 754

## TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading\*

1 John 3:16-24

**Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn

“They’ll Know We are Christians by Our Love”

FWS 2223

Gospel Reading\*

John 10:11-18

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

“Who is Our Shepherd?”

Pastor Mary Beth Blinn

## TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Musical Offering

“My Vision, My Shepherd”  
Chancel Choir

arr. Philip Kern

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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Offertory

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

arr. Charles Callahan

+ Response\*

“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

## **AND SCATTERS TO BE THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD**

+ Hymn

“Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us”

UMH 381

+ Benediction

+ Postlude

**Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.**

**UMH** = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

\* = Words Projected

**FWS** = The Faith We Sing (Black)

+ = Please stand as you are able

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

- Pick up a welcome gift in the foyer—Our “**Join the Mix**” bean soup mix.
- **Children's age-appropriate activity bulletins, bags and boxes** are available in the foyer.
- **Restrooms** are located down the main hall turning to the left. A baby changing table is available in the handicap accessible restroom.
- **Assisted listening devices**, large-print hymnals and large-print bulletins are available. Ask an usher for assistance.
- A **nursery** with professional care is offered as an option for our children newborn through age four (located downstairs).

**The flowers on the Altar** today are given to the glory of God.

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Good News! Our missionary, **Kim King Torres**, will be coming to our church this Wednesday, April 29, to update us on the Branches ministry in Florida City, Florida. A pot-luck dinner will begin at 5:30 with fried chicken and drinks provided. Please sign up today so we will know how much chicken is needed. A dynamic speaker, Kim will begin her presentation around 6 pm.

**Looking for a small group for study and fellowship?** Beginning next Sunday, May 3, a new group will begin meeting on Sundays at 9:45 in the Social Hall. If you are interested, sign up today on the clipboards. Contact Valerie Reese for more information at 909-3659 or [valerie\\_Reese@yahoo.com](mailto:valerie_Reese@yahoo.com).

Our **Community Festival** is coming soon! Spread the word about this wonderful outdoor event for our church and neighborhood. It will be Saturday, May 16, 11-2. Would you like to help? Check the bulletin board near the water fountain to sign-up.

The United Methodist Men, with the assistance of the Boy Scouts and members of PUMC, are planning to **refurbish the picnic shelter** on Saturday, May 9 — just in time for the Spring Festival on May 16! Work will begin at 9:00 a.m. and everyone is invited to assist in whatever way they are able. Since lunch will be provided, please sign up on the clipboard today so plans can get underway for tasks and the menu. If you have questions, please contact Gary Vest, 378-2632, or by email at [vestfamily5@yahoo.com](mailto:vestfamily5@yahoo.com).

**Start Cleaning Out and Saving!** The UMW and the Missions Committee have arranged for the **CARITAS truck** to be left in our parking lot from Friday, May 15 through Monday, May 18. We want Providence to fill this truck with furniture, kitchen items, household goods and clean linens for families coming out of homelessness. Let us know and we will arrange for your items to be picked up if you can't get them to the church. Contact Brenda Woodward at [brendawoodward1@verizon.net](mailto:brendawoodward1@verizon.net) or 745-1259.





Musicians, singers, and baseball enthusiasts — Mark Your Calendars Now! On May 9 at 7:00 p.m., PUMC will be attending **Faith Night at the Flying Squirrels!** Tickets are available from Margaret Taylor (\$8 each). See her at church or email her at [M.E.Taylor003@gmail.com](mailto:M.E.Taylor003@gmail.com). You don't want to miss this since the choir will be singing "God Bless America" during the 7th inning stretch.

**Please vote for the video our Youth created** showing how they live out The Great Commandment on a mission trip. If you have a Facebook account, you can help the Youth group win a \$2,000 grant to help with costs for their summer mission trip. Go to the Providence UMC Facebook page and scroll down to the "Create for Christ" Video contest. Click on Woodbox.com to go directly to the voting page. You will then need to "like" Entrust Financial Credit Union in order to vote. Voting ends May 13. We will have computers available in the Library after each service and can assist you if needed. Thank you for all you do for our Youth!

The Youth are seeking donations to help with the expenses of their summer mission trip to Virginia Beach where they will be doing home repair work for families in need. The **Wall of Giving** has 50 envelopes with amounts from \$1 to \$50. Envelopes can be dropped in the offering plate. Checks can be made out to Providence Church with "Youth fundraiser" on the memo line. Thank you for supporting our youth and their efforts to spread the love of Jesus. Thank you, Susan Clark.

**Save the Date!** We will be hosting families with children in the **CARITAS** program (Congregations Around Richmond Involved To Assure Shelter) from May 23-30. Many hands are needed to make this week a success. Please consider, or have your group discuss, hosting a dinner, packing lunches, being an overnight chaperone, taking home a bag of laundry to return the next day and coming in to help with homework or play with the children in the evening. Providence has participated in the CARITAS program for over 25 years, and it takes the entire church to pull off this most important mission. Watch for sign-up sheets to appear soon. We intend to plan early this year!

The **new church directories** have arrived for everyone! Pick up a copy outside the Library after the worship services today and get to know your church family. Additional copies are \$5.

When you visit the grocery store and see a great sale, please remember to get a non-perishable **food item for CCHASM**. Items can be dropped off at any time and are taken to the Food Bank

at Southminster Presbyterian Church monthly. The food bins are in the hallway near the elevator. Your food gifts are greatly needed for the community and are appreciated.

Are you thinking about being baptized or becoming a **member of Providence**? Speak with Pastor Mary Beth who will guide you in the next steps to take (276-4289).

A note from Tracey Kellam, United Methodist Women President: Someone recently contacted me regarding the Social Action Coordinator position for the United Methodist Women. Would you please contact me again at 869-3439. Thanks!

## **PRAYER MINISTRY**

Hand-knitted **prayer squares are available** in the foyer to take or mail to someone for whom you are praying.

To connect with our email prayer ministry, you may send a prayer request to Tom and Nancy Coffman at [tlcnlc@verizon.net](mailto:tlcnlc@verizon.net). If you would like to be added to the list to receive prayer requests, contact the Coffman's.

### **Our service men and women, wherever they serve, and their families:**

Hunter Blankenship, Megan Thomas Clark, Jennifer Collins, Matt Latimer, Wayne Lee

### **Our gathered prayer concerns:**

Beky Behrend (daughter of Tery and Jim Sarver), Brian Bilski, Kayley Dirr (granddaughter of Diane King), Donald Early (Nikki Earley's father), Bob Fogle (nephew of Eula Phillips), Sandra Gordon (friend of Paul Martin), Chuck Harris (son of Hugh Harris), Shirley Hathaway, Mildred Isbell (The Laurels of Willow Creek, rehab), Ronnie Justice, Rachel Kiser (friend of Mike Collins), Jerry Maier (Kathy Maier's father), Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), Sharon Vanlohy, Stuart Watkins.

**Metro Richmond at Prayer for April 26, 2015:** We pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: to remove any spirit of contentiousness, prejudice, greed, jealousy, or enjoyment of others' troubles; for spiritual renewal, leading to prayer and care for all regardless of race, national origin, religion, income, or neighborhood.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, April 26

- 9:00 Connections Worship Service
- 9:45 Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 Traditional Worship Service
- 2:00 Disciple 1 (205)
- 4:00 Girl Scouts (309)
- 4:00 Youth Choir
- 4:45 Youth Handbells
- 5:30 Youth & Inukshuks
- 5:30 Confirmation Class (308)
- 7:00 Bells of Providence

### Monday, April 27

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 6:30 Trustees Meeting (L)
- 7:00 Staff Parish Relations Committee (205)

### Tuesday, April 28

- Bible Study (Not Meeting)
- 6:30 Disciple 4 (SH)
- 6:30 Cub & Boy Scouts (3rd Floor)
- 7:00 Discipleship Committee (L)

### Wednesday, April 29

- 5:30 Potluck Dinner (SH)
- 6:00 Presentation by Kim King Torres (SH)
- 6:30 KC Jam
- 7:00 Chancel Choir

### Thursday, April 30

- 6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Ministry in Motion

### Friday, May 1

- 7:00 Softball Game (Ironbridge, Field #9)
- 8:00 AA Group (309)

### Saturday, May 2

## Prayer Requests

Pray for:

Place in Bulletin: Yes / No

Specific Request:

Meal Needs: Yes / No

Transportation Needs: Yes / No

Desire Card: Yes / No

Comments:

Your Contact Information:

Name:

Telephone Number:

Email Address:

Drop this sheet in the offering plate or at the church office.

To direct an urgent concern for yourself or a family member to our email prayer group, please contact the church office by phone or email.

## Those Serving Today

### Acolyte:

(11:00) Jackson Holland

### Greeters:

( 9:00) Linda Keery (Ed. Bldg.)  
Mike Patterson (Narthex)  
(11:00) Shirley Collins (Ed. Bldg.)  
Nickie Price (Narthex)

### Nursery:

( 9:00) Lindsey Garrison  
Emma McConnell (Y)  
( SS) Wendy Collins  
(11:00) Mike & Wendy Collins

### Counters:

Gary Wright (captain)  
Anne Baird, Wayne Smith

### Ushers:

( 9:00) Bill Blankenship  
Wayne Latimer, Doug Sheek  
(11:00) Klaus Worrell, Sean Collins  
Tony Fleshman, Laurie Breeden  
Brad Wootten, Rudy Petrick

### Reader:

Karrie Ostrum

### Audio/Media Shout Team:

( 9:00) Tyler Griggs (A)  
Dano Holland (MS)  
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Dano Holland (MS)

### Sanctuary Organizer:

Flora Scott  
Jean Winfree

### Sign Changer:

Jim DeLap

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### Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Friday 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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**Our Covenant Missionary** Kim King Torres

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