

6th Sunday of Easter

May 29, 2011

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)
*Words Projected

FWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)
+Please stand as you are able

Prelude "My Country, 'Tis of Thee" Paul T. Langston

Welcome and Announcements

Greeting* From Isaiah 49:15-16

Leader: Have you ever felt abandoned by God?

People: Yes, oh, yes.

Leader: But God says, "I will never forget you!"

People: How can this be so?

Leader: God says, "I have written your name on the palms of my hands."

People: The God who created us, sustains and re-creates us, remembers and calls us.

Leader: We come, remembering and worshiping God who cares for us.

+Hymn "All Creatures of Our God and King" UMH 62

+Affirmation of Faith From Romans 8:35, 37-39 UMH 887

+Response*

***Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As is was in the beginning, is now and every shall be,
World without end. Amen. Amen.***

Anthem "Eternal Father, Strong to Save" John B. Dykes

(8:45)

Morning Glory Choir

(11:00)

Chancel Choir

A Time with the Children

Morning Prayer and 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.

A Time with the Children

New Testament Reading* 1 Peter 3:13-22 **Thanks be to God.**

Offertory "He Leadeth Me" H. Max Smith

+Response* "Give Thanks" FWS 2036

***Give thanks, with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ, his Son,
And now, let the weak say, "I am strong"; let the poor say, "I am rich
Because of what the Lord has done for us." Give thanks!***

+Hymn "The Gift of Love" UMH 408

+Gospel Reading* John 14:15-21 **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "The Spirit Leads Us On"

Musical Offering "The Power of Your Love" G. Bullock
Jahna Seymour and C. J. Alred, Duet

+Hymn "His Eye Is on the Sparrow" FWS 2146

+Benediction

+Postlude "Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned" H. Max Smith

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.
- Pick up a brightly colored bag of information from the back pew.
- Restrooms are located on the main hall to the left.
- 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.

Greeters	(8:45)	Ginny Thompson	(11:00) Mary Lou & Allen Branson
Acolytes	(8:45)	Emily Keyser	(11:00) Andrew Bowers
Nursery	(8:45)	Kelly Horne and Clare Henderson	
Sunday School	(11:00)	Ann Busbee	
Counters		Shirley Collins and Peggy Gillette	
Ushers	(8:45)	Linwood Hudson, Captain	
	(11:00)	Bill Blankenship, Neal Fleenor, Ron White	
		Mike Patterson, Bobby Burton, Ed Harper, Bob Johnson,	
		Tom Koertge, Ralph Vernon, Bobby Wood	
Audio/Visual Team		Russ Byers	
Readers	(8:45)	Elizabeth Kyser	(11:00) Betty Gregory
Name Tag Organizer		Gracie Martin	
Sanctuary Organizers		Anna Knight and Emma Fleenor	

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, May 29

9:45 a.m. Faith 101 (Library)
9:45 a.m. Sunday School
12:15 p.m. Youth go to Monroe Park for ministry to the homeless
No Pass It On Choir
5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts (Room 309)
No Youth
No Bells of Providence Rehearsal

Monday, May 30

Memorial Day – Church Office Closed
No Line Dancing Class
6:30 p.m. Covenant Disciple Group (Parlor)
6:30 p.m. Endowment Committee (Library)

Tuesday, May 31

10:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 306)
11:00 a.m. Small Group (Library)
6:30 p.m. Marketing Task Force (Room 206)
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts (3rd Floor)
7:15 p.m. Boy Scouts (Social Hall)

Wednesday, June 1

Upward Soccer Registration begins
6:30 p.m. Worship Task Force Meeting (Room 206)
6:30 p.m. KC JAM Rehearsal (Room 306)
6:30 p.m. Family Council Meeting (Library)
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

Thursday, June 2

12:15 p.m. Preschool (Picnic Shelter and Social Hall)
6:30 p.m. UMW Picnic (Picnic Shelter and Social Hall)
No Morning Glory Choir Rehearsal

Friday, June 3

12:00 p.m. Preschool (Picnic Shelter and Social Hall)
8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Room 309)

Sunday, June 5

8:45 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services
9:45 a.m. Fellowship Sunday (Social Hall)
12:15 p.m. Education Committee (Room 206)
5:00 p.m. Youth going to Concert at Beulah UMC
No Bells of Providence (through June)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please take a moment to **honor our graduates** by signing the cards on the bulletin board beside the water fountain. We will recognize our graduates next Sunday.

We are gearing up for our third year of **Upward Soccer** ministry. Thanks to Brad Wootten who is coordinating our season this year. Prayerfully consider how you would like to be involved in this outreach opportunity.

You will have an opportunity to give to our **annual conference offering** today: Mozambique Leadership Development and the Living Well Society; Brazil Shade and Fresh Water and the John Wesley Medical Boat; Agape Christian Children's Community Center, the Eastern Shore; and Grace Ministries, Roanoke. Make your check payable to Providence UMC and mark the memo line and your envelope as Annual Conference Offering.

Preschool registration is now open to the community and spaces are filling for both our Summer Program in July and our 2011-2012 classes. We offer a variety of classes for children ages 2-Pre-K. More information may be found on the table outside of the church office. Please call Charlotte Cervarich at 276-1462 to arrange a tour or to learn more about what our Preschool has to offer you and your child.

Music Notes:

The Bells of Providence will not practice during the month of June.
The SonRise Sisters will practice on June 1, but will be off the remainder of June.
The **Men's Chorus** will meet for the first time on Wednesday, June 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We will also meet on June 22 and 29 at 6:30 p.m. All men are invited to attend.

United Methodists in Virginia are joining together to begin 250 new faith communities over the next 30 years, and to revitalize our existing churches. "**All Things New**" is a campaign to raise funds to support this disciple-making ministry. It is a proclamation of faith in the abundance of God's grace through Jesus Christ; a reclaiming of our United Methodist heritage as a missionary movement of God's Holy Spirit; and a vision for spiritual renewal. Brochures will be available next Sunday with more information about how you can be a part of this effort.

The Congregational Care Committee is looking for folks that can help with transportation to church and other places. Please contact Lee Bradshaw at 743-3391 if you are able to help.

The basic pattern for **worship**, which we will begin using next week, organizes our usual elements of worship based on the following order: **entering** to worship with our praise of God; hearing the **word** proclaimed through scripture, sermon and music; then **responding** to God with our prayers, hymns, offerings, Holy Communion, baptisms, and other responses. You can find more information in pages 2-3 in our United Methodist Hymnal. If you have questions, feel free to contact Pastor Mary Beth.

You may give to **tornado and flood relief** today or any Sunday by designating your gift to the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR). One hundred percent of our gifts go directly to relief in these U.S. disaster areas.

A Special Opportunity: If you would like to be involved with our worship audio-visual ministry, please contact Russ Byers at **russandjanice@hotmail.com**. The email in the newsletter article has a dash in it which is not part of the email address.

Notes:

PRAYER MINISTRY

New Address:

Allen & Shirley Minter have moved to Carolina Estates, 4434 Old Battleground Road, Unit 109, Greensboro, NC 27410-9829 **New Telephone: (336)286-7016**

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, Virginia Anderson, Margaret Baugh and Renee McCarty (grandmother and sister of Mary Casey-Mills), Rachel Bowlin (Nancy Coffman's mother), Herb Blaylock (Catherine Milholen's brother), Mae Clarke, Rebecca Dennard (godmother of Diane and Charles King's "3 Ks": Karen, Kelly, and Kim), Ed Driskill (LaVonne Stanley's father), Pat Eaton (Mary Elliott's uncle), Jessica Fulghum (Nancy and Tom Coffman's granddaughter), Dr. Perry T. Fuller (cousin of Barbara Ritch-Brant), **Bob Gillie and his family in the death of Nancy Gillie**, Leon Headley (Lisa Fleenor's father), Abby Heare, Andrew Heare, Clare Henderson, Steve Jones (Hugh Miles' friend), Gilda Jordan (Brandermill Woods Rehab), Caroline Lee (Roland Bodtke's sister), Sylvia Mahaney (Ann Busbee's mom), Catherine Milholen, Cherri Mitchell (907 Northlake Drive, Sanford, FL 32773), Barbara Ritch-Brant, Gayle Robinson (daughter-in-law of Dave and Mary Lou Robinson), Bruce Roeder (Isabell Bodtke's nephew), Joseph Salvaggio, Mary Steele, **Becky and Mary Thompson** (Dave Thompson's relatives), George Tinsley, David Wildermuth

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			

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 May 29, 2011: We pray for the Churches and religious institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: For all religious communities, abbeys, orders, brotherhoods, sisterhoods, religious societies, and para-church organizations.