

Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be transformed. Make a difference.

Let's Make S'Mores

Come out June 25th for a fun filled night with games, songs, fellowship and worship. Everyone is invited to **pitch a tent** on the upper field anytime on June 25th and stay through Sunday. We will have games, songs, activities, worship and a campfire complete with s'mores. See you there! S'mores and water will be provided.



Mission Goal Becoming a Reality

One of the goals we set in our 3-year plan was to offer English classes for those in our community. Dotty Riley, the ESOL teacher at A.M. Davis Elementary School, has generously offered to teach the classes at our church this summer. You can help by caring for the children whose parents will be studying. The classes will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. They begin June 28 and continue for four weeks. Look for ways to sign up for this opportunity to make a difference.

2011 Upward Soccer

Our Upward Soccer Commissioner this year is Brad Wootten. Look on page 10 for opportunities to be involved.

You Can Make a Difference

CCHASM needs food! We used to have the second Sunday of the month designated as “**Food Collection Sunday**” and we need to reinstate it. We know you have many demands placed upon you but in May, we only collected a grocery bag and a half for the food pantry.

The blue tubs will be placed in the narthex on Sunday, June 12th and the food will be taken to Southminster on Monday, June 13th.



Food Pantry
Donations Needed

Thank you for being the generous people you are.

A Special Opportunity

Would you like to be involved with our worship audio-visual ministry? Experience is not required and training is provided. You can help in one of more of these ways:

- operate audio system (periodic Sunday a.m.)
- operate visual projection (periodic Sunday a.m.)
- create PowerPoint for worship services (during the week)

Contact Russ Byers to express your interest to serve: **russandjanice@hotmail.com** or 560-2988.



Worship in June

June 5	BELONG Holy Communion Graduate Sunday	Genesis 18:1-8 Romans 12:9-18	A Cappella Choir Rachel Fulghum, soloist
June 12	BE TRANSFORMED Pentecost Disciple Bible Study Recognitions	1 Corinthians 12:3-13 Acts 2:1-21 Wear Red	Church Choirs Isca Wilms, soloist
June 19	MAKE A DIFFERENCE Father's Day Peace with Justice Sunday	Matthew 25:31-46 Matthew 28:16-20 Psalm 8	Sunday School Singers Jahna Seymour and Chelsi Architzel, duet Church Choirs
June 26	God's Good Gifts of Creation 8:45 service, weather permitting, in the outdoor chapel	Genesis 1:1-2:4a Matthew 13:1-9 (18-23)	Van Barden and Isca Wilms, duet Church Choirs



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars and make sure you tell everyone about our great adventure planned for Pandamania, **August 1st-5th**. This wonderful outreach program is a fun and moving experience for the kids as well as the adults who work VBS. Pandamania is for kids entering kindergarten through 5th grade. We also have EXTREME VBS for middle school kids at the F.I.R.E. House during the same time!

Please register your children or yourself as a volunteer on line by visiting our web-site.

This ministry will be a wonderful success but cannot be done without everyone's help. Look at the bulletin board near the water fountain to see where your hands and feet are needed. Here are a few of our current needs: folks to host the free kid-friendly dinners, volunteer to be a crew leader, donate or purchase items for our different stations (look for our list on the bulletin board or on line).

YOUTH C.R.E.W. NEWS

Take Stock in Youth Program

Thank you to everyone who supported the youth through our stock program to go to Impact Richmond this summer! Your generous giving as individuals, families, and Sunday school classes collected \$1,050 to reduce the cost of their week long mission trip! Remember to mark your calendars for July 17th at 6:00 for our "Stock Holders" dinner.

June 5th—Graduation Sunday

To celebrate our graduating seniors, we are going to Beulah UMC to see the band Stereo-reel in concert. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. Your ticket includes pizza and a drink. We will leave the church at 5:00 (choir will end early) and return at 8:15. For \$5 tickets see Susan Clark. She has 20 tickets. First come first serve!

June 12th—Bring Your Dad to Youth Night

We invite all the fathers, stepfathers, grandfathers and "just like a father" to youth group on June 12th! It will be a special night together.

June 19th—Father's Day

No youth group meeting this night. Thanks be to God for all our fathers.

June 19th—26th

Susan Clark will be on vacation this week. All calls and emails will be returned the following week.

New Summer Youth Group Times!

Beginning June 26th, youth group will change times. We will meet from 6:00-8:00 with no dinner served during the summer; however; we will have plenty of popsicles and drinks to get us through the hot weather.

Upcoming Events!

Mark your calendars now for these upcoming summer events. More weekday mission events to come in July.

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| July 7 th | Kings Fest |
| July 10 th -16 th | Impact Richmond |
| July 17 th | Youth Sunday and Youth Stock Holders Dinner at 6:00PM |
| July 24 th | Flying Squirrels Game at 5:05 |
| Aug 1 st -5 th | VBS for rising 6 th -8 th graders |
| Aug 12 th -13 th | 30-Hour Famine |



Beginning June 19th until August 28th the children and youth will start our summer Sunday school series. The kids will begin the summer with a study called 3 Simple Rules. In this study The Three Simple Rules looks at John Wesley's "Do No Harm," "Do Good," and "Stay in Love with God". These sayings are easy enough for children to understand and profound enough to begin a lifelong journey of faith. Kindergarten through fifth graders will meet in Room 305 (this includes those finishing fifth grade, promotions will be in the fall) and youth in grades six through twelve will meet in Room 301. Thank you to those leading our kids during the summer.



Acolytes

June 5—*Communion*
 8:45 Tristan Kellam
 11:00 Gabrielle Sullivan

June 12
 8:45 Winton Justice
 11:00 Nicole Riekers

June 19
 8:45 Hanna Jenkins
 11:00 Emily Kyser

June 26
 8:45 Rachael Harvey
 11:00 Laura King

Audio / Visual

Russ Byers

Communion Preparers—June 5

8:45 Marilyn Bell
 11:00 Barbara Robertson
 Dorline Davidson-Harvey

Name Tags

June 5 Jahna Seymour
 June 12 Jean Riekers
 June 19 Ginny Thompson
 June 26 Amy Mott

Sanctuary Organizers

Billie and Ralph Vernon

Ushers

8:45 Bill Blankenship
 Chris Healy
 Carolyn Bilski

11:00 David Sommer
 Lee Bradshaw
 Bob Fitch
 Linwood Hudson
 T. L. Jenkins
 Stuart Watkins
 George Winstead

Counter Captains

June 5 Klaus Worrell
 June 12 Hugh Miles
 June 19 Gary Wright
 June 26 Jimmy Sculthorpe

Grass Cutters

June 1 Bobby Wood (Area 2)
 June 6 Gary Vest (Area 1)
 June 13 John Bradley (Area 2)
 June 20 Steve Reese (Area 1)
 June 27 Bobby Wood (Area 2)

Nursery

June 5
 8:45 Linda Koertge
 SS Jennifer Ostrum
 11:00 Sean & Lindsey Collins

June 12
 8:45 Kelly Horne
 SS Barbara Oliver
 11:00 Robin Urso
 Carol Urso

June 19
 8:45 Ann Busbee
 SS Wendy Collins
 11:00 Mike & Wendy Collins

June 26
 8:45 Lori Justice
 SS Anne McKinnish
 11:00 Anne Blane &
 Brad Wootten

Greeters

8:45 Mark & Elizabeth Melancon
 11:00 Shirley Collins
 Renate Brennet



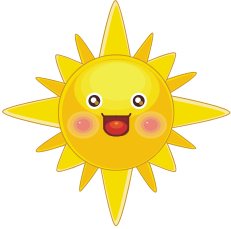
For more information, to register for the race, or to purchase tickets, go to www.westviewonthejames.org

Music groups to perform include: A Good Natured Riot, Dead Flowers, River City Band, All In, Bootleggers Reunion, New Old Friends, The Clay Mottley Band, The Remnants, and Rattlesnake Creek.

The race starts at 10 am for both running & walking. The course will be a trail & road combination. Free camping is available with a Sunday worship service & workout by Seal Team PT.

FUN IN THE SUN in JULY

for YOUR PRESCHOOLER AGES 2-5



Your preschooler will grow and learn while having lots of fun in a relaxed, camp-like atmosphere. Music, fitness, science, nature and more! Two, 2-week sessions are available July 5-15 and July 19-29. Choose

one or both for a month of fun! Invite a friend - the program is open to the community! More information and registration forms are available on the table outside of the church office, on the church website, or call Charlotte Cervarich at the Preschool office at 276-1462.

What are “Apportionments?”

You may notice in our financial reporting references to paying our “apportionment.” As a United Methodist church, we are not alone, but work in concert with other churches to share God’s love on a global scale, in ways larger than any individual church could accomplish. Every United Methodist church contributes a fair share (the apportionment) to support this work. Sometimes we call this “**a-portion-ment for others!**” So when you give to Providence UMC, you spread God’s love both locally and globally!

Christopher Wilms
Stewardship Chairperson

Disciple Graduates

We are so very excited to announce that once again at PUMC we have completed Disciple 1 and Christian Believer classes. These dedicated members have studied the word of God in a small group for the past 30 weeks or more under the direction of Barbie Vest (Disciple 1) and Laura Griggs (Christian Believer). Thank you to all for your dedication and commitment to God and each other of the past several months. Look for your opportunity to be a part of these wonderful programs with Disciple 1 and Disciple 4 being offered in the fall.

Disciple 1: Karl Hindle, Patsy Stine, Selinda Johnson, Amy Mott, Sean Collins, Wendy Collins, Mike Collins, Matt Patterson, Allen Branson, Mary Lou Branson, and Mary Elliott.

Christian Believer: Dorline Davidson-Harvey, Donna Jenkins, Tricia Shephard, Anna Knight, Dave Long, Nickie Price, Robin Jeffries, Robin Bowers, Elizabeth Newcomer, Tracey Kellam, and Laura Griggs.

These participants will be recognized in worship on June 12.

ANNOUNCEMENTS for the Sunday bulletin are due to Kathy Smith on Wednesdays at **12:00 Noon**. You can leave your hand-written announcement in the Office Staff mailbox in the hallway or email them directly to Kathy at: kathy.smith@providenceumc.net

Providence Retired Club Notes

We're always telling you to pull the information sheet about our programs so you will know what is coming up. Don't go by what the May



Linda Goofed!

newsletter had in it, because the dates were incorrect. Here are the correct dates, really!

June 13—our annual indoor picnic at Shoney's, at 11:30 a.m.

July 11—Carolyn Wartham will be talking to us

about Home Care Assistance.

August 8—Bill Fabs and his 4Z Lord Quartet (Gospel Music) will entertain us.

September 12—Bill Young portrays Joseph. He says there are many Josephs in the Gospels, so you may have to figure out which Joseph.

October 10—Gene Wade tells a story as he sings or can do a medley of songs so we just have to wait and see.

November 14—Adolph Moller is an accordionist. Brush up on your music from the 50's and 60's so when he plays "Name That Tune" you can win a prize.

December 12—Covered dish luncheon this year for Christmas.

Please send a big thank you to Laura Griggs for over 10 years of service as our middle school Sunday school teacher. Laura's dedication and love for the children is evident every Sunday as she planned and carried out interactive lessons. Laura is often known for bringing the Bible to life. You would often find adults wanting to sit in on her lessons. She will be missed as she now moves on to new adventures within our church.



We want to congratulate our graduates and wish them much success in the future. A breakfast and recognitions will be on June 5th during our fellowship hour (9:45 to 10:45) and during the 11:00 a.m. service.

A complete list will be in the July newsletter.

Church Directory

Updates—October 2009 Directory



Agee, Evelyn, Imperial Plaza,
Apt. A-519, 1717 Bellevue
Ave., Richmond, VA 23227

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5274, 1505 Patrick Henry
Hwy., Charlotte Court House,
VA 23923

Kennedy, Jennifer, 12945 Crescent Park Dr.,
Apt. 303, Midlothian, VA 23114

Mallory, William & Jaime - add Evan and Jude

Mayhew, Eugenia, 8253 Rockford School Rd.,
Gretna, VA 24557

Watkins, Julie - change to: Hall, Mike & Julie
Watkins, 804-272-0868, 6800 Grand Brook
Ct., Richmond, VA 23225

PUMC Film Festival



"Beat the heat this summer,
Come out every Wednesday
in July for Movie Day! Every
Wednesday at 1:30 PM, we
will be showing a family
friendly movie, and serving
light refreshments. So come on out and stay
cool this summer. Movie titles to be an-
nounced."

Mission Garden

Did you know that produce has already been
grown, picked and delivered to local food mi-
nistries from our mission garden? The deliver-
ies have included radishes, lettuce, kale, and
onions. Thanks to our gardeners! You are
welcome to join them on
Mondays at 10:00 a.m.
Call Joe Gillette at 745-
3182 for more information.



Helping Hands Mission

Calling all children in grades 4 through 6. We
want you to join us for a UM district-wide mis-
sion event created just for you. Come see how
you can be the hands of
Christ as you complete 4
mission projects, fellow-
ship with other Christian
youth, and worship to-
gether. We also get to
spend the night together
at Woodlake UMC. All
interested children should have their parents
contact Isabelle Sullivan at isabelle.sullivan@providenceumc.net
or call 276-4289. This trip costs \$36 and includes a t-
shirt and all meals for your child. Must register
by July 1.



Church Family News and Notes

Bobby and Linda Burton are the proud grandparents of Carson Robert Burton, son of Cory and Amoreena Burton. Carson was born on April 8, 2011, in White Bear Lake, Minnesota.

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Blessings to Jamie and William Mallory on the birth of their twin sons, Evan Aloysius and Jude Mansfield. Their proud grandparents are Kathleen and Marshall Mallory.

Congratulations to Julie Watkins and Mike Hall who were married in our sanctuary on May 7th.

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Shirley Hathaway is grateful for the prayers, calls, cards, flowers, and other expressions of love and caring during her recent hospital stay and recuperation. She feels so blessed to be part of a loving church like Providence.



**Thank you for helping
the Crosstrainers
collect food and supplies
for the SPCA.**

A Summertime Study

Sundays in July, 9:45-10:45

John Wesley's "Three Simple Rules"

Do good. Do no harm. Stay in love with God.

In the Library with Pastor Mary Beth

July Newsletter Deadline is June 15

If you would like to receive the newsletter by email rather than by mail, call the church office (276-4289) and let Kathy or Linda know that you'd like to stop your 'snail mail' newsletter subscription. You can save a tree and save some postage expense for the church with one phone call.

Annual Conference

Our Virginia Annual Conference will be meeting June 15-19 at the Roanoke Convention Center. Your lay delegate is Jim Chappell, who will attend along with your pastor. Each church sends lay and clergy members to Annual Conference. The conference will include worship, Christian conferencing, reports and decision making, fellowship, Bible Study, hands-on mission opportunities, and the election of lay and clergy delegates to General Conference, to be held next spring. We will be sending to Roanoke health and layette kits to be used in disasters, and our offering for Virginia and international missions. Please pray for Jim, Mary Beth, Wayne and Kathy Smith, Richmond District Delegates, and all the United Methodists who will be gathering in June to do God's work.

Special Offerings

Easter	\$2,521.00
Lenten	\$277.00
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$213.00
Samaritan Fund	\$67.00

All Things New: Fruitful and Multiplying

Virginia United Methodists have a vision for spiritual renewal that includes beginning new faith communities and renewing existing ones. At Providence we are participating in one part of this initiative: the **Five Talent Academy** which offers training, peer groups and guidance for setting major goals for evangelism, worship, stewardship, mission and spiritual nurture. These goals are included in our 3-year plan.

But new faith communities are also necessary to fulfill the Great Commission, to make disciples of Jesus Christ. There are many people in our state who are not being reached by our existing churches. Our conference goal is to begin 250 new faith communities in the next 30 years. Some of these faith communities will be established by the conference and some will be started by existing congregations. A campaign to raise funds to support this vision is underway. On Sunday, June 12, you will have an opportunity to give or pledge to this important mission.

Music News

The Men's Chorus will meet for the first time on Wednesday, June 15, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. They will meet again on June 22 and 29 at 6:30. All men are invited to attend.

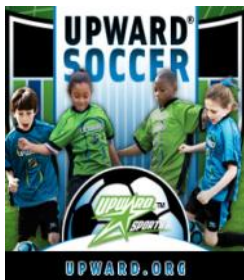


The SonRise Sisters will practice June 1 but will be off the remainder of June.

The Bells of Providence will **NOT** practice in June.

PUMC Presents UPWARD SOCCER 2011

The 2011 season of Upward Soccer is right around the corner. Providence UMC is looking to continue the success of this great ministry



that provides children an opportunity to grow their faith and become closer to Jesus Christ while learning the life long values of integrity, respect, teamwork, and sportsmanship.

Upward provides a healthy environment that combines ministry and athletics to produce an educational and fun-filled time for all participants.

Important dates to remember:

- June 1st – online registration opens at

www.bluesombro.com/providenceumc and registration forms will be available on the church website under Ministries/Upward Soccer

- July 23rd – An onsite registration will be held at the church
- July 30th – Evaluations will be conducted
- The week of August 21st – Practice begins
- September 3rd – The first games will be held
- October 29th – The final game and closing ceremony

Volunteers are needed in many different areas (coaching, referees, devotionals, prayer). If you are interested in volunteering please contact Brad Wootten at woottenb@gmail.com or 804.639.3161 or look for sign up opportunities on the church clipboards and bulletin boards to find out how you can help.

MISSIONS

The Missions Committee would like to thank everyone who participated in this year's golf tournament. We have a profit of \$1,570.08 to be used toward our designated projects.

Please remember to bring your canned food donations to benefit CCHASM. There is an increased need for food in the summer because children are out of school. Children who depend on a free lunch in school often go without a meal when school is closed. Food donations may be left in the bin beside the Missions table.

PUMC Missions will once again be participating in this summer's Homeward Point-in-Time Homeless Count. This is where the Homeward agency gathers information on our homeless community. We are collecting the following items to distribute during this year's summer count happening on July 28, 2011. Adult size T-shirts, new socks, jeans, baby/body wipes, travel size lotion, toothpaste, bug spray, sunscreen, deodorant, soap, shampoo, and granola bars. Please leave items in the bin labeled "Homeward" by the Missions table.

United Methodist Women

Newton Circle will not meet in June.



UMW Family Picnic will be Thursday, June 2, at 6:30 p.m. at the church Picnic Shelter. Meat will be furnished. Bring a side dish.

Gregory Circle will meet on the second Thursday, June 9, at 7:00 p.m. in Room 206 at the church.

Laughon Circle will meet the second Tuesday, June 14, at 10:30 a.m. in the church Social Hall.

Whitt Circle will meet on the third Tuesday, June 21, at 11:30 a.m. Meet at the church to go out to lunch.

No Executive Board Meeting in June.

Pastor's Note

When did you last **offer** someone something? "Hop in. I'll take you where you need to go." "Would you like half of my sandwich?" "Can I come and sit with you while your husband has surgery?" We offer what we have for a lot of different reasons: it feels good, we have plenty, someone needs us, or we're in a good mood. Sometimes we are motivated to give to someone who has first been generous to us.

In our worship service, we have a time called the "Offering." The ushers come forward, get the offering plates from the acolyte and pass them among the congregation. Some people put in cash, others a check. For those who give electronically, a card from the pew pocket represents their offering. Some give their whole offering in one monthly gift, others give something every week. We may give because it feels good, we have plenty, someone needs us, or we're in a good mood. But

our main motivation is to respond to God. We experience God's love in so many ways. We listen for God's word in music, scripture and sermon. Then we respond.

But giving our money is not the only thing we give during the offering. We are also praying about and offering to God other parts of our lives as we have been listening to God's word. The music that is played or sung during the offering time may help us focus on what we have to give.

Beginning in June, as we adopt the basic pattern for worship, our offering will be one of the responses that comes after the word is read and proclaimed. May God help us see the offering as more than just a collection of money, but also as an offering of ourselves.

God's Peace Mary Beth Blinn

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Sunday

8:45 am	Worship Service
9:45 am	Sunday School
11:00 am	Worship Service
12:00 pm	Cross Trainers
3:45 pm	A Cappella Choir
4:30 pm	Pass It On Choir
5:30 pm	Youth
7:00 pm	Bells of Providence

Wednesday

6:30 pm	KC JAM
7:30 pm	Chancel Choir

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