

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**August 21, 2011**

**THE CHURCH GATHERS**

Prelude

Welcome /Announcements

+Greeting\*

One: God made you.

**Many: Thank you, God!**

One: God listens to you.

**Many: Thank you, God!**

One: God watches over you.

**Many: Thank you, God!**

One: God loves you no matter what.

**Many: Thank you, God!**

One: God gives you good gifts.

**Many: Thank you, God! We worship you with joy!**

+Hymn "Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee"

UMH 89

+Prayer

**TO HEAR THE WORD**

A Time with the Children

Hymn Sing

Musical Offering

"The Jericho Road"  
Men's Quartet

Arr. D. McCrossen

Hymn Sing

Psalm Reading

Psalm 133

UMH 850

Hymn Sing

Scripture Reading\*

Genesis 45:1-15

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"The Hard Work of Forgiveness"

**TO RESPOND IN FAITH**

Prayer

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.*

Offertory

"I'm Ready Now"

Thomas Jenkins

+Response\*

"Praise God, from whom all Blessings Flow"

UMH 94

+Prayer of Dedication

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

+Hymn\*

"Grace Alone"

FWS 2162

+Benediction

+Postlude

*Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.*

*UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)*

*FWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)*

*\*Words Projected*

*+Please stand as you are able*

Greeters: (8:45) Linda Keery (11:00) Judy Miles and Nickie Price  
Acolytes: (8:45) Tristan Kellam (11:00) Rachael Harvey  
Nursery: (8:45) Jennifer Ostrum (Sunday School) Wendy Collins  
(11:00) Mike and Wendy Collins  
Counters: Jimmy Sculthorpe, Captain  
Ushers: (8:45) Bill Blankenship, Neal Fleenor, Ron White  
(11:00) Mike Patterson, Bobby Burton, Ed Harper, Bobby Johnson, Tom Koertge,  
Ralph Vernon, Bobby Wood  
Readers: (8:45) Jean Chappell (11:00) Keith Bahm  
Audio/Visual Team: Eric Byers (Audio), Russ Byers (Video)  
Name Tag Organizer: Ginny Thompson  
Sanctuary Organizers: Nancy Coffman and Nickie Price

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**The altar flowers** are presented to the glory of God by in honor of Mary Beth and Bob Blinn on their 34<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

**The narthex flowers on the left** are presented to the glory of God in memory of our mom, Dot Whitt, on her birthday! Love, Reeves & Martha, Mary & Howard, Kathy & Ronnie, and Spencer & Debby and their families.

**The narthex flowers on the right** are presented to the glory of God to recognize the 39<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Ron and Carla Wootten.

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## I'm Ready Now

by Thomas Jenkins

### Verse 1

I feel strange, I've counted the days;  
Can you see me? Can you believe in me?  
Can you reach down? I'm ready now  
For your everlasting touch on my cheek.

### Chorus

I'm ready now.

### Verse 2

I have been the barrier of my sin;  
But you see me, and you believe in me.  
Can you reach down? I'm ready now  
For your forgiveness to touch my cheek.

### Chorus

I'm ready now.

### Bridge

Can you save those forgotten?  
Can you help those turned away?  
Can you see those who've sinned?  
Can you make a brighter day?

### Chorus

I'm ready now.

*Providence United Methodist Church*  
*August 21, 2011*

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, August 21

- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship Service
- 12:20 p.m. Church Council Called Meeting (Room 309)
- 5:00 p.m. Youth worship (F.I.R.E. House)
- 6:00-8:00 p.m. Youth Group

### Monday, August 22

- 10:00 a.m. Line Dancing (Room 309)
- 6:30 p.m. Covenant Disciple Group
- 7:30 p.m. Endowment Committee Meeting (Library)

### Tuesday, August 23

- 10:00 a.m. Quilters (Room 206)
- 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts (Picnic Shelter)
- 6:30 p.m. Marketing Task Force
- 7:30 p.m. Worship Committee (Parlor)

### Wednesday, August 24

- 6:00 p.m. Worship Task Force
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)

### Thursday, August 25

- 7:00 p.m. United Methodist Women Executive Board Meeting (Library)
- 7:00 p.m. Providence Green Homeowners' Association (Room 205)

### Friday, August 26

- 7:30 p.m. Girl Scout Gold Award Ceremony (Sanctuary)
- 8:00 p.m. Alcoholics Anonymous (Room 206)

### Sunday, August 28

- 8:45 and 11:00 a.m. Worship Services
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 6:00 p.m. Youth (F.I.R.E. House)

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

- Children's worship bags and age-appropriate worship activity bulletins are available in the foyer.
- Colorful bags at the back for you have helpful information.
- 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.
- A nursery is offered as an option for our children newborn through age four (located downstairs).

**Do you have a child playing on an Upward Soccer team or do you have a strong interest in reaching out to the community to tell them about all the great things that go on at PUMC? You can help!** Host volunteers interact with the participants and their families to build relationships, answer any questions they may have concerning the church or their faith, and encourage them to participate in other aspects of the church. This is a critical role in building stronger relationships between the church and the community. Time Commitment: 1 hour per week (normally during practices and/or soccer games). You may sign up on the clipboards today if you would like to participate.

Do you know a family looking for a **preschool**? What better way to make a difference than to invite them to consider Providence today. PUMC offers a high quality, part-time, Christian preschool and is recruiting for new children. Start a child on the path of love for God and love for learning. Call 276-1462 to register or for more information.

The **Church Council** will have a called meeting today at 12:20 p.m. in Room 309.

**Attention, all youth:** Pass It On Choir (grades 6-12) will resume practice beginning September 18 in the sanctuary on Sunday afternoons from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. Please consider being a part of this very important ministry. Everyone is welcome. Questions? Contact Carla Wootten at 276-5683.

Next Sunday **fifty-year members** will be honored as well as look at our history through the perspective of the man, A.M. Davis, and to future ministry through the school, A.M. Davis Elementary.

**Join us for an ice cream social and slip and slide water fun!** Gather at the church pavilion on Tuesday, August 30, at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. It will be a great way to enjoy fellowship and COOL OFF!

**Jasmine Marie Heath and Rachael Marie Harvey**

Proudly Invite You to Their

**Girl Scout Gold Award Ceremony**

Friday, August 26, 2011 at 7:30 PM

Providence United Methodist Church

Reception to Follow

Please RSVP by Monday, August 22

To 276-0493 (Jasmine) or 794-7955 (Rachael)

Thank you!

Girl Scout & Boy Scout Uniforms / Business Attire

Is there someone you've missed seeing at church lately? On Sunday, September 4, invite them to join you in worship as we gather at the Lord's Table. It will be a great day to **reconnect**.

Providence will be sponsoring a **Flu Shot Clinic** on Sunday, October 9, 2011, from 12 Noon to 2:00 p.m. in the Church Social Hall. More details to follow.

If you feel led to Christian baptism or would like to transfer your membership to Providence, please contact Pastor Mary Beth Blinn at 276-4289 or marybeth.blinn@providenceumc.net.

Bring your school supplies by August 28 for A. M. Davis elementary school:

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| Pencils                          | Blue, black, red Pens | Boxes of Markers   |
| Highlighters                     | Safety Scissors       | Pencil Sharpeners  |
| Pencil Boxes and Pouches         | Ruled 3X5 Index Cards | 2-Pocket Folders   |
| Marble Composition Books         | Large Erasers         | Pencil Cap Erasers |
| Plastic 2-Pocket Punched Folders |                       |                    |

**PRAYER MINISTRY**

Hospitalized: Dottie Headley (Johnston-Willis Hospital)  
Clyde Randall (UVA Hospital)  
James Jenkins (The Laurels of Bon Air)

The prayer request forms are located on the clipboards 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 (home), the family of Vann Barden, **Jennifer Bilski** (Carolyn Bilski's daughter), **Ed Blackwell**, Roland Bodtke, Terry Brooks, **Dave Clarke** (Mae Clarke's son), Mae Clarke, Emma Cyr (requested by Kim Parr), Lindsey Davis, Roland Dubey (submitted by Barbara A. Ritch-Brant), Janet Fattizzi, Bob & Sheila Fogle (niece and nephew of Ken & Eula Phillips), **Carlton Gregory**, Sally Hunter (grandmother of Glenn Jones), Gilda Jordan, Jim Kovalchick (Ginny Thompson's nephew), Caroline Lee (Roland Bodtke's sister), Dr. Barbara A. Ritch-Brant, Bruce Roeder (Isabell Bodtke's nephew), Joseph Salvaggio, Chuck Schlottman (home with Jean and her family), Terry Wagner, Walter Wells, **Bea West** (Carolyn Bilski's aunt), David Wildermuth, our Upward Soccer Program

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

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

**Providence Church has an email Prayer Ministry.** Please call the Church Office at 276-4289 if you have an immediate need for yourself or a family member.

**Metro Richmond Prayer for August 21, 2011:** We pray for the workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: For economic development in depressed portions of the city, for the establishment of businesses that will create new employment opportunities.