

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing: "First"

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Singing: "What If I Give All"

Allison Stowers, solo

Stewardship Message

Scripture

John 15:4-7

Message: "A Mandate for Fruitfulness"

Derrick Parson

Prayer Time

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: "Church on Fire"

Benediction

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

Consecration Sunday

Welcome Guests! We're glad you're here!

- Please pick up a welcome gift from an usher in the foyer.
- **Children's 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).

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

FWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

* = Words Projected

+ = Please stand as you are able

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

"To God Be the Glory"

arr by Roger House

+ Call to Worship *

Leader: Come and sit with me; we shall study the Word.

People: Together we shall read and understand.

Leader: Come and kneel with me; we shall break the bread.

People: Together we shall eat and be satisfied.

Leader: Come and walk with me; we shall part the waters.

ALL: Together we shall risk, and, behold, we shall be changed.

+ Hymn

"Living for Jesus" (vs 1 & 3)

FWS #2149

+ Opening Prayer

Stewardship and Prayer Tony Fleshman

Consecration of Our 2018 Gifts

Special Music by Kirk Kirkland
"The Call"
The SonRise Sisters; solo, Robin Jeffrey

Making Connections

TO HEAR THE WORD

Children's Time Sherry Wright-Jeter

First Reading * **Thanks be to God.**
Psalm 22:25-31

+ Hymn UMH #397
"I Need Thee Every Hour" (vs 1,3,4)

Second Reading **Thanks be to God.**
John 15:4-7

Sermon Derrick Parson
"A Mandate for Fruitfulness"

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.

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offertory by Mosie Lister
"I Won't Turn Back"
The SonRise Sisters

+ Response * UMH #94
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

+ Hymn FWS #2226
"Bind Us Together" (two times)

+ Benediction

+ Postlude

The **flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God and “in memory of my mother, ‘Rhoda’ Havekost. Loved and missed by her daughter, Claudia and grandchildren, Doug, Greg, and Jo.”

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All guests, visitors and members (adults and children), **please sign in** on a clipboard today and include your contact information. Please continue to sign in each Sunday and especially tell us if you have changes to your personal information that the church maintains.

“THE FIRST NOEL”

Our Christmas Cantata will be presented at 11:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 17. Invite your friends and neighbors to experience the beauty of the Christmas story told through music by our PUMC vocalists, musicians, and guest instrumentalists!

Come Celebrate the Joys of Christmas

Family Pancake Brunch & Festivities

Saturday, December 9th
10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

PUMC Social Hall
A Free Event

Experience the Holiday Sights,
Sounds and Smells

Interested in volunteering?

Story Time — Games — Bell Ringing

Email: Sherry Jeter
sherry.jeter@providenceumc.net or

Cookie Decorating
Ornament Making

Sign up on the pew clipboard.

Plus a visit with Santa!



The Youth are selling “**2018 God’s Creation**” calendars. Price is \$7 each and are available in the Library.

This year's **Thanksgiving Offering** will be donated to **CCHASM** (Chesterfield/Colonial Heights Alliance for Social Ministries). CCHASM collects non-perishable food items and distributes them to 27 food pantries in the greater Chesterfield area. CCHASM also provides hundreds of Thanksgiving Dinner bags, along with a gift card to purchase a turkey, to families who have been approved through social services to receive food donations. Pantry shelves are getting low, so our offering will help replenish the needed items.

There will be **NO** Wednesday Night Dinner this week (11/15) since our CARITAS guests will be here. There will be dinner on Wednesday, November 29, at 5:30. The menu will be Swedish meatballs over noodles, green beans, rolls, dessert and beverage. You can sign up on Sunday, 11/26.

Are you thinking about being baptized or becoming a member of Providence? Speak with Pastor Derrick (804-276-4289) who can guide you in the next steps.

PRAYER MINISTRY

November 12, 2017: We pray for persons in financial need in Metropolitan Richmond: for the homeless and the hungry, for the provision of safe, affordable housing and low cost nutritious food, for the personal safety, dignity, and well being of those who are unable to work.

Handmade **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 Nancy Coffman at **nlctlc73@gmail.com**. If you would like to be added to the list to receive prayer requests, contact Nancy. Please check your email address book to make sure you have this email address.

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

Jessica Ammon	John Harper
Harrison Bailey	Wayne Lee
Hunter Blankenship	Matt Latimer
Terrance Brunson	Megan Thomas
Jennifer Collins	

Our gathered prayer concerns:

- * Dot Ashburn
- * Curtis Bailey
- * Nan Blackwell
- * **The family of Bursell Bradshaw Jr.** (throat cancer, died 11/9; brother of Natalia Parson)
- * Ronnie Brooks (home)
- * Lois Butler (mother of Brenda Woodward)
- * Charles Clarke (blood clots; brother of Beverley Brooks)
- * John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- * Uldine Curtis
- * Bob & Fran Fitch
- * Emma Fleenor
- * Bob Ford (home and doing well)

Our gathered prayer concerns: (continued)

- * The family of Julie Hall (who died 10/18; daughter of Linda Watkins; sister of Melvin Watkins)
- * **The family of Myrna Hartley** (Janet Goode's sister)
- * Kelton Honeycutt (grandfather of Danielle Hellams)
- * Jill Gueswelle (very good friend of Elizabeth Kyser)
- * Diane Huchingson (sister-in-law of Diane King)
- * Earl Jennings (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- * Joyce (friend of Jane Elbert)
- * Jack & Linda Keery
- * Michael Mercatante Sr. (has suffered another heart attack, stint surgery on 10/27)
- * Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- * Lee Middleton
- * **The family of Lewis Miller** (died 11/8)
- * Jean Slaven (Barbara Robertson's mother)
- * Gary Smallwood (brother of Brad Smallwood)
- * **Tracy** (recovering from fall, surgery on 11/13; friend of the Fleshmans)
- * Barbie Vest (upcoming surgery, 12/4)
- * **The victims and families** of the church shooting in Texas on 11/5

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, November 12—Consecration Sunday

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 3:00 Girl Scouts
- 3:15 CHAMPs Music Jam
- 4:30 Youth Choir
- No SonRise Sisters
- 5:30 Youth & Inukshuks
- 6:00 Bells of Providence

Monday, November 13

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 7:00 Staff Parish (205)
- 7:00 Finance (L)
- 7:00 Ruritan Board Mtg. (309)
Young Adults

Tuesday, November 14

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 2:00 Alpha Theatre (SH)
- 6:30 Cubs/Scouts (SH/309)

Wednesday, November 15

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 6:00 Providence Green (309)
- 6:30 Christmas Cantata Rehearsal
- 7:15 Chancel Choir

Thursday, November 15

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 MIM
- 6:30 AA (205)
- 7:00 UMW LTM (309)

Friday, November 17

- 9:15 Cooks for Christ
- 8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, November 18

- 8-8 Social Hall Reserved

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 Meredith Kyser

Greeters:

9:00 Diane King (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 Shirley Collins (Library)
Nickie Price (Narthex)

Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship
Neal Fleenor, Ron White
11:00 Ed Harper, Bobby Burton
Meredith Kyser, Tom Koertge
Ralph Vernon, Lori Justice

Nursery:

9:00 Bethany Sharpe
SS Brittany Flores
11:00 Kathy Alred, Jennifer Clemmons

Counters:

Jimmy Sculthorpe (captain)
Hugh Miles

Reader:

Jane Elbert

Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Ron Wootten (A)
Tyler Griggs (V)
11:00 Ron Wootten (A)
Tyler Griggs (V)

Sanctuary Organizers:

Nickie Price (November 1-30)

Grass Cutter:

Area 2 Jimmy Sculthorpe
(Week Nov. 13)

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Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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Young Adult Ministries Terrence Jeter (interim)

Custodial Service Bill Duganne
Nursery Attendant Cynthia Liverpool
Our Covenant Missionary Kim King Torres
Presiding Bishop Sharma Lewis