

# *Providence United Methodist Church*

**CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.**

**Singing:** "Step By Step"

**Making Connections**

**Children's Time**  
Sherry Wright-Jeter

**Scripture:** Matthew 25:31-46

**Sermon:** "The Challenge of Discipleship"  
Isaac Nedd

**Holy Communion/Singing:** "You're Worthy of My Praise"

**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.

*Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table. Open your hands to receive the bread and dip it in the cup of juice. The altar rail is always available as a place of prayer. Special offerings left on the altar rail will go toward families with emergency needs. Gluten-free wafers and juice are available.*

**Singing and Offering:** "Love the Lord"

**Benediction**

# Christ the King Sunday

11:00 a.m.

## 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.

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## THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

arr. by Mark Hayes

+ Call to Worship \*

(based on Matthew 25:31-46)

Leader: We come, for God gathers us here, with that community called faith:

**People: where the hungry are served first, where the thirsty drink life's water.**

Leader: We come, for God welcomes us here into that home called grace:

**People: where the naked are clothed in robes of hope; where the stranger is embraced as the long-lost prodigal.**

Leader: We come, for God reunites us here, sisters and brothers in that family called love:

**People: where the imprisoned model justice, where the sick are cradled in God's peace.**

— written by Thom Shuman

+ Hymn \*

"Come Ye Thankful People, Come"

UMH #694

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+ Opening Prayer

Making Connections

Children's Time

Sherry Wright-Jeter

## TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading

Psalm 100

Thanks be to God.

+ Hymn \*

*"He Has Made Me Glad" (sing 2 times)*

FWS #2270

Second Reading \*

Matthew 25:31-46

Thanks be to God.

Special Music

"Blessings"

Maria Mendez Castillo, soloist

Sermon

"The Challenge of Discipleship"

Isaac Nedd

## TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

UMH #12

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Holy Communion

(with Musical Response A)

UMH #17

Prayer of Thanksgiving

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.**

Breaking the Bread

Giving the Bread and Cup

*Everyone who is present today is welcome at the Lord's Table. The ushers will invite you to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive the bread and juice, kneeling or standing as you are able. Gluten-free wafers and juice are available. Monetary gifts left at the rail go to emergency needs in our church and community.*

Prayer after Communion

Offertory

+ Response\*

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH #94

+ Hymn

*"Gather Us In"*

FWS #2236

+ Benediction

+ Postlude

The **flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God and in memory of Mary Lee Clarke Giebel. They were given by Ron and Beverley Brooks.

## **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.

**Today is United Methodist Student Day.** There is a special giving envelope insert in today's bulletin. Your donation helps enrich ministry and connects students to their faith. It also helps support scholarships administered by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry. Thank you for your gift.

There will be a Wednesday Night Dinner November 29, at 5:30. The menu will be Swedish meatballs over noodles, green beans, rolls, dessert and beverage. Sign up today on the pew clipboard.

Please note the **Christmas Poinsettia or Bible** order form insert in today's bulletin. Poinsettias and Bibles are \$10 again this year. Please complete the form and include your donation. You can place the form and your check in the offering plate or drop it off in the office. There are additional forms in the narthex if you need another. The last day to submit your order is Sunday, December 10.

The **"Christmas Card Exchange Box"** will be on the table near the Chapel beginning Sunday, December 3. Address your cards, put them in the appropriate mail slot and check for cards addressed to you as well. This is an opportunity to save a little postage and perhaps use it in another meaningful way.

The **2018 Flower Calendar** is in the hallway, near the water fountain. The **BLUE** flower forms are there too. Please remember: *payment should accompany the blue form*. Complete the form and put it and your check in the offering plate or bring it to the office. Please do not put your name on the calendar until you submit your form and check.

## Come Celebrate the Joys of Christmas

### Family Pancake Brunch & Festivities

Saturday, December 9th

10:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.

Experience the Holiday Sights,  
Sounds and Smells

Story Time — Games — Bell Ringing

Cookie Decorating  
Ornament Making

Plus a visit with Santa!



PUMC Social Hall

A Free Event

Interested in volunteering?

Email: Sherry Jeter

[sherry.jeter@providenceumc.net](mailto:sherry.jeter@providenceumc.net) or

Sign up on the pew clipboard.

### “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!

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

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 26, 2017:** We pray for persons in financial need in Metropolitan Richmond: for the inclusion of all, regardless of race, age, or jurisdiction of residence, in the economic health of Metropolitan Richmond; for effective, affordable, regional public transportation.

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](mailto: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. (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
- \* 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
- \* **The family of Anne Klotz** (died 11/12; mother-in-law of Christine Forte Klotz)
- \* Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- \* Leigh Middleton
- \* The family of Lewis Miller (died 11/8)
- \* **The family of Ursula (Sue) Pickeral** (a member of PUMC, died 11/9)
- \* Jean Slaven (Barbara Robertson's mother)
- \* Gary Smallwood (brother of Brad Smallwood)
- \* Barbie Vest (upcoming surgery, 12/4)
- \* Tracy (recovering from fall, surgery on 11/13; friend of the Fleshmans)

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, November 26—UM Student Day

- 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
- 5:30 Youth & Inukshuks

### Monday, November 27

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 6:45 Trustees (L)  
Young Adults

### Tuesday, November 28

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

### Wednesday, November 29

- 6:30 Cantata Rehearsal
- 7:15 Chancel Choir

### Thursday, November 30

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

### Friday, December 1

- 8-8 Alpha Theatre (SH)
- 8:00 AA Group (309)

### Saturday, December 2

## Prayer Requests

Pray for:

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Place in Bulletin: Yes / No

Specific Request:

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Meal Needs: Yes / No

Transportation Needs: Yes / No

Desire Card: Yes / No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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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 Kyle Ostrum

### 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 Brittany Flores  
SS Wendy Collins  
11:00 Lindsey & Sean Collins

### Counters:

Ron Wootten (captain)  
Janice Bergeron, Gracie Martin

### Reader:

Mike Collins

### Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)  
Nikki Earley (V)  
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)  
Nikki Earley (V)

### Sanctuary Organizers:

Nickie Price (November 1-30)  
Flora Scott & Jean Winfree  
(December 1-31)

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### Office Hours:

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

### Contact us at:

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**Young Adult Ministries** Terrence Jeter (interim)

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**Nursery Attendant** Cynthia Liverpool  
**Our Covenant Missionary** Kim King Torres  
**Presiding Bishop** Sharma Lewis