

**Getting Connected at
Providence United Methodist Church
Catalog of Ministry 2011**

Groups, Hands-On Ministry and Committees

GROUPS

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Nurturing kids birth thru 5th grade in God's Word through service, worship, music, and games

---Sunday Mornings---
9:45

Sunday School
Age 3-5th grade

Cross Trainers
Sundays 12-2 pm

Fifth and sixth graders
Meet for games, learning and mission.

Nursery (birth through 4) for all
Sunday services and Sunday
School

Vacation Bible School
Age 5-rising 5th graders

Extreme VBS
For 6th – 8th Graders

Mission Opportunities
CARITAS, Mission trips

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS

Meet monthly in homes to prepare prayer shawls, hats and scarves. Learners welcome.

MUSIC

Cherub Choir

Preschoolers meet at 10:30
after S.S. Class

KCJam Children's Choir

Wed. at 6:10 pm
Sept.-May

Pass It On Youth Choir

Sundays 4:30—5:30 p.m.

A Cappella (High School)

Sundays at 3:45

Adult Handbells

rehearse Sun. 7-8:00 p.m.

New Fire

Praise and Folk Ensemble
rehearse Sun. 12:15 pm

Chancel Choir (11:00)

rehearse Wed. 7:30-9

Morning Glory Choir (8:45)

Rehearse 1st and 3rd Thurs. at 7
pm

PARENTING

Class meets on Sundays,
9:45-10:45, Room 303

PROVIDENCE RETIRED CLUB

For mid to older adults
Meets 2nd Mondays at 10:30 am
for programs, fellowship, brown
bag lunch. Occasional trips.

SMALL GROUP STUDIES

Mondays 7 pm

Disciple I: Old & New
Testament, 34 weeks, Sept-May

Tuesdays 6:30 pm

Christian Believer
Learn the connection between
believing and living.
32 weeks, Sep-May

Christmas is Life-Giving

Advent small group
Sundays at 4 pm
Four weeks beginning on Nov.
28.

Couples

Meets weekly for 6 weeks
beginning January.

Upper Room Devotional Small Group

Meets weekly for support,
discussion and prayer

Covenant Disciple Group

Meets weekly for mutual
support and accountability in
discipleship. Beginning
February.

Various groups thru year



SUNDAY MORNING SMALL GROUPS

Age 3 thru adults!

9:45 a.m.

Children age 3 – 5th grade
Middle and High School
Parenting
New Beginning-Young Adults
Pairs and Spares
Living Word
Faith Sharers
Growing Christians
Christian Builders
Friendship

UNITED METHODIST MEN

Meet on second Sundays at
7:45 for breakfast, devotional
and planning for fellowship,
fundraising and service.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Newton Circle meets 7 pm on
1st Tuesdays in members'
homes

Laughon Circle meets 7:00 1st
Tuesdays in members' homes.

Whitt Circle meets 10:30 am on
3rd Tuesdays at the church.

Betty Gregory Circle meets 7
pm on 3rd Thursdays in homes
and at the church.

UMW Unit meetings are held 5-
6 times each year

YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth C.R.E.W.: Youth Group on Sunday Nights

Grades 7-12

5:30-7:30 p.m.

Dinner, devotion and grade-
level programs; mission events
and fun events. Meets in
F.I.R.E. House next to church.

Sunday School

9:45 a.m.

Grades 6-8, 9-12

3rd Floor

Small Groups

Wed. pm series

2011 Mission Trip

Impact Richmond

Child Protection Policy: We
provide training and conduct
background checks on all
volunteers with children and
youth.

HANDS-ON MINISTRY

ACOLYTE

For children fifth grade and up;
assist in worship with candle
lighting, communion and
baptisms.

ALTAR DECORATING TEAM

Altar supplies and decorations
for the sanctuary; special
worship services (Easter,
Christmas, *et al.*)

BAKING BREAD

Bake small loaves of banana
bread for our first-time visitors.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS

Help with building maintenance;
assist in various projects such
as minor repairs, painting,
flower beds, mowing, etc.

CARITAS

(Congregations Around
Richmond Involved To Assure
Shelter) Persons who are
homeless sleep in the church
one week during the year; we
cook and serve meals, prepare
lunches, and do laundry during
their stay.

CHURCH DINNERS/MEALS

Set up tables and chairs, set
out food, prepare beverages,
clean-up.

CHURCH OFFICE

Answer phones; stuff bulletins,
collate and prepare newsletters;
prepare seasonal materials and
mailings.

COMMUNION

Help prepare communion
elements once a quarter. We
provide communion on the first
Sunday of each month at 8:45
and 11:00 services.

COOKS FOR CHRIST

Get together with others on 3RD Fridays to prepare a lunch at Centenary UMC for people in need.

FIRST FRIENDS

Connect with a newcomer. Invite them to church events, introduce them to others.

COMMUNION MINISTRY

Serve communion to a homebound member monthly.

KNITTERS AND CROCHETERS

Knit or crochet prayer shawls to share; work on your own or monthly with the group. Meets 2nd Wednesday at 1:30 in homes.

MISSIONS

Address the needs of the hungry, the poor, the homeless, here in Richmond, in Virginia, and throughout the world.

MISSION GARDEN

Plant, tend and harvest food on our church property for local food ministries.

NURSERY

Assist a paid staff person in caring for young children on Sunday am and on other occasions.

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ORGANIZE NAME TAGS OR SANCTUARY

Occasionally organize name tags or straighten up sanctuary.

PRAYER MINISTRY

Pray regularly about prayer requests. Persons may also volunteer to pray with the pastor prior to worship services.

PRESCHOOL

Assist Providence Preschool as a volunteer with the children, in maintenance of the playground or by serving on the Preschool Committee.

PROVIDENCE ROAD PARTNERS

Connect to students and staff at A.M. Davis Elementary as a lunch buddy, library or classroom helper, assisting teachers with simple tasks.

TEACHING

Teach/assist in a class (children, youth, adult). Some commitments are short-term (small group Bible studies or VBS), and others are longer.

TRANSPORTATION

Provide occasional rides to church.

UPWARD SOCCER

Participate by praying, coaching, refereeing, or leading a devotional. 8-week season in fall.

USHER

Ushers serve at 8:45 and 11 am services on a monthly basis in a rotation of teams.

VISITING

Monthly visit to homebound members.

WORSHIP AUDIO-VISUAL

Be on a team to run sound and visual equipment for worship services. Monthly every 3 months.

WORSHIP GREETER

Greet people entering for worship at either of our two Sunday morning services.

WORSHIP LEADER

Assist in leading worship by reading Scripture or serving communion.

YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEER

Provide supper, volunteer at meetings, or provide transportation

COMMITTEES

CHURCH COUNCIL

What do they do?

Meet as decision-making body of church over all program ministry and administrative work; long-range goals and direction.

Length of term: Three years

How often? Monthly

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

What do they do?

Plan for caring ministries to all ages; support and connect the congregation.

How often? Monthly

EDUCATION

What do they do?

Oversee children, youth, adult, and educational ministries; review curriculum periodically.

How often? Every other month

EVANGELISM

What do they do?

Direct ministries of welcome and outreach to visitors; coordinate greeters, bread bakers.

How often? Monthly

FAMILY COUNCIL

What do they do?

Provide opportunities for children and their families to learn and have fun.

How often? Monthly

FINANCE

What do they do?

Oversee budget and distribution of funds; advise on special budget requests; prepare the budget for coming year.

How often? Monthly

GREEN TEAM

What do they do?

Address church's responsibility for stewardship of the earth and creation.

How often? As needed

KITCHEN COMMITTEE

What do they do?

Oversee needs of the kitchen and those who use the kitchen.

How often? No regular meeting

MISSIONS

What do they do?

Oversee mission hands-on missions projects (Homeward, garden, CARITAS, etc); designate offerings .

How often? Monthly

NOMINATING

What do they do?

Nominate persons for roles in the church; discern others' gifts for ministry.

Length of term: Three years

How often? Meet as needed

NURSERY

What do they do?

Provide for volunteers and improvements of nursery.

How often? As Needed

PRESCHOOL COMMITTEE

What do they do?

Oversee hiring, fees, programming, calendar, and budget with director.

How often? As needed

STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS

What do they do?

Oversee personnel matters.

Length of term: Three years

How often? Monthly

STEWARDSHIP

What do they do?

Create and direct October stewardship campaign.

How often? Monthly

TRUSTEES

What do they do?

Oversee buildings and property.

Length of term: Three years

How often? Monthly

WORSHIP

What do they do?

Provide direction for worship services, seasonal and outdoor services.

How often? Monthly

