


Providence United Methodist Church

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CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Singing: The Heart of Worship

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Sherry Wright-Jeter

Singing: Praise the Father Praise the Son

Scripture: Acts 8:36-40

Message: *What does your baptismal covenant mean to you?*

Re-affirmation of Faith — UMH 37

(Come, Be Baptized — Allison Stowers, soloist)

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: Spirit Song

Benediction

Baptism of the Lord

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.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

Breathe on Me

arr. Stan Pethel

+ 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.

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

+ Opening Prayer

+ Hymn

Jesus Shall Reign (v. 1-4)

UMH 157

Children's Time

Sherry Wright-Jeter

January 8, 2017

TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading *	Isaiah 42:1-9 (Ed Blackwell)	Thanks be to God.
Second Reading *	Matthew 3:13-17 (Karrie Ostrum)	Thanks be to God.
Third Reading *	Acts 8:36-40 (Daniel Burch)	Thanks be to God.
Sermon	<i>What does your baptismal covenant mean to you?</i>	Derrick Parson
Re-affirmation of Faith	(Come, Be Baptized — Allison Stowers, soloist)	UMH 37
+ Hymn	Breathe on Me, Breath of God	UMH 420

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offertory	Still He Came SonRise Sisters	arr. Tom Fettke
+ Response*	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 94
+ Hymn	Spirit Song	UMH 347
+ Benediction	I Surrender All Piano/Handbells Duet	Linda Koertge & Allison Stowers
+ Postlude		

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We have been blessed to have **Allison Stowers** join the Providence UMC staff as the **Director of Music Ministries**. Please take a moment to wear your nametag, introduce yourself and welcome her heartily. We will be adding her to the church website soon and will include an article about Allison in our next newsletter.

Each **Youth** member attending the 11:00 a.m. service at Providence United Methodist Church today is invited to go to lunch directly after the service. The Youth will still have their session, they are just moving it up to the early afternoon instead of the evening.

Today is the **planning meeting** for Providence for 2017. Please arrive in the social hall as quickly as possible after the 11:00 worship service so we can get started on time.

Our **CHAMPS night** is this week, Wednesday, January 11 at 6:15 p.m. We will resume having it the first Wednesday of each month in February.

Volunteers are urgently needed at A. M. Davis for child care during adult ESL classes, Mondays & Wednesdays, January 9—March 15, from 5:30—6:30 p.m. in trailer 6. No class on Monday, January 16. If you have questions or would like to volunteer, contact Mary Lou Branson at 804-379-0940.

If you noticed the **poinsettias** in the hallway near the Library, please feel free to take one/several. Those left will be disposed of next week.

The **“Christmas Card Exchange Box”** is in the narthex today. Please take a moment to check the mailbox for your “mail.” Remaining cards after January 15 **will not be forwarded**.

For those of you who coordinate **volunteers** throughout the year (Communion, Acolytes, Readers/Greeters, etc.), if you have not already provided a copy of your volunteers for the first quarter of 2017 to the office, please leave them in the Office Staff mail box in the hallway or email them to Linda Collins (Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net).

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

PRAYER MINISTRY

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 Tom and Nancy Coffman at nlctlc73@gmail.com. If you would like to be added to the list to receive prayer requests, contact the Coffmans. 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	Harrison Bailey
Hunter Blankenship	Jennifer Collins
Matt Latimer	Wayne Lee
Megan Thomas	

Our gathered prayer concerns:

Lisa Atkinson (friend of Cheran Salvaggio)

Dru Blalock (cancer, sister-in-law of Catherine Milholen)

Nancy Carney (battling cancer, sister of Jim McConnell)

Doris Creasy (St. Francis)

David Dennier (father of Lindsey Collins)

Susie LaCour Eichmann (breast cancer, cousin of Linda Collins)

Charles Elbert (has pneumonia Jane Elbert's father)

Emma Fleenor

Julie Fleshman (surgery on 1/5)

Renna Fleshman (in rehab after small stroke, mother of Tony Fleshman)

Samuel Ford

Carrington Goode (shingles)

Brenda Hair (battling throat cancer)

Aidan Hellams

Ann Hobbs (battling cancer, friend of Dave Robinson)

Ronnie Justice

Jack Keery, Linda Keery (successful surgery on hand 11/29)

Tracey Kellam and Tristen Kellam

Chris Landrum (diagnosed with an incurable brain tumor)

Carl Lunsford (stroke, friend of Catherine Milholen)

Anne Middleton (Lucy Corr rehab)

Lewis Miller (home)
Bill Newman (cousin of Bill Parsons)
Karen Nowak (Linda Keery's sister)
Gladys Robertson (St. Francis, mother of Robbie Robertson)
Erma Robins
Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family)
Billy Steele (kidney stones, son of Bill & Mary Steele)
Rosie Tarkington (former member undergoing treatment for cancer)

Metro Richmond at Prayer for January 8, 2017: We pray to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism: for the elimination of discrimination in living patterns, public education, employment, political jurisdiction, transportation, and churches in Metropolitan Richmond.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 8

9:00 Connections
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Traditional Worship
12:00 Planning Meeting (SH)
12:00 Youth Meeting/Lunch
No Youth at 5:30 p.m.

Monday, January 9

10:00 Line Dancers
10:30 Providence Retired Club (SH)
7:00 Finance Meeting (L)
7:00 Ruritan Board Meeting (309)

Tuesday, January 10

11:00 Bible Study (L)
6:30 Jesus in the Gospels (205)
6:30 Cubs/Scouts (309/SH)
7:00 Young Adults

Wednesday, January 11

6:15 CHAMPS (SH)
6:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 12

9:30 Prayer Team (P)
11:00 Knitters & Crocheters (205)
6:15 Men's Study (L)
6:30 Starlighters (SH)
6:30 MIM
6:30 AA Group (205)

Friday, January 13

8:00 AA Group (309)

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 Carolyn Bilski (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 Nickie Price (Library)
Judy Miles (Narthex)

Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship
Wayne Latimer, Doug Sheek
11:00 Klaus Worrell
Sean Collins, Tony Fleshman
Laurie Breeden, Rudy Petrick

Nursery:

9:00 Pam Asbury
SS Barbara Oliver
11:00 Kathy Alred & Meredith Kyser (Y)

Counters:

Jimmy Sculthorpe (captain)
Paul Martin, Hugh Miles

Readers:

Ed Blackwell
Karrie Ostrum
Daniel Burch

Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 (A)
(V)
11:00 (A)
(V)

Sanctuary Organizers: (12/1-31)

Linda & Jack Keery

Portions of our service may be recorded.

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

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