


Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Singing: You, You Are God

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Sherry Wright-Jeter

Singing: Draw Me Close

Scripture: John 1:29-42

Message: Chosen

Hugh Harris

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: The Name of the Lord

Benediction

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany

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

+ Call to Worship *

And the Word became flesh and lived among us,
And we have seen his glory,
The glory as of a father's only son, full of grace and truth.

+ Opening Prayer *

In Unison

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts.

Eternal Goodness, deliver us from evil.

Eternal Power, be our support.

Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance.

Eternal Pity, have mercy upon us.

That with all our heart and mind and soul and strength we may seek your face, and be brought by your infinite mercy to your holy presence, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

January 15, 2017

+ Hymn	Leaning on the Everlasting Arms	UMH 133
Children's Time		Sherry Wright-Jeter

TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading *	Psalm 40:1-11	Thanks be to God.
Second Reading *	John 1:29-42	Thanks be to God.
+ Hymn	Great Is Thy Faithfulness	UMH 140
Sermon	<i>Chosen!</i>	Rev. Hugh Harris

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offertory	Still He Came SonRise Sisters	arr. Tom Fettke
+ Response*	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 94
+ Hymn *	The Summons	FWS 2130
+ Benediction		
+ Postlude	Amen	arr. Jack Schrader

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **sign-in sheets** in the pews today are dated January 8. Since the service was canceled due to the weather last weekend, visitors and member, please sign in today using that sheet. Other than the incorrect date there was no reason to reprint them.

We are 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.

PUMC is fortunate today to have our very own **Reverend Hugh Harris** bring us the message while our pastor is out of town.

Today is UMC **Human Relations Awareness Day**. It is one of six church wide special Sundays with offerings of The United Methodist Church. Human Relations Awareness Day calls United Methodists to recognize the right of all God's children in realizing their potential as human beings in relationship with one another. This special offering benefits neighborhood ministries through community developers, community advocacy through United Methodist Voluntary Services and work with at-risk teens through the Youth Offender Rehabilitation Program. United Methodists usually celebrate Human Relations Awareness Day on the Sunday before the national observance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday. Use the envelope in today's bulletin if you would like to contribute.

The **planning meeting** for Providence for 2017 originally scheduled for last Sunday was moved to February 12. Contact the church office (804-276-4289) to confirm or decline your attendance so appropriate arrangements can be made.

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

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 22 **will not be forwarded**.

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

Metro Richmond at Prayer for January 15, 2017: We pray to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism: to experience the victory of Jesus' resurrection over all personal and institutional results of racism and racial inequality in this metropolitan city..

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 (cancer, sister of Jim McConnell)
Doris Creasy (rehab, Laurels at Willow Creek, room 606)
Susie LaCour Eichmann (breast cancer, cousin of Linda Collins)
Charles Elbert (pneumonia, Jane Elbert's father)
Julie Fleshman (surgery on 1/5)
Renna Fleshman (rehab after small stroke, mother of Tony Fleshman)
Samuel Ford
Carrington Goode (shingles)
Brenda Hair (throat cancer)

The family of Ronnie Justice who died 1/8

Jack Keery
Tracey Kellam and Tristen Kellam
Chris Landrum (diagnosed with an incurable brain tumor)
Carl Lunsford (stroke, friend of Catherine Milholen)

Our gathered prayer concerns: (continued)

Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)

Bill Newman (cousin of Bill Parsons)

Karen Nowak (Linda Keery's sister)

Autumn Robinson (strep throat, granddaughter of Dave Robinson)

Gladys Robertson (rehab, mother of Robbie Robertson)

Billy Steele (kidney stones, son of Bill & Mary Steele)

Rosie Tarkington (former member undergoing treatment for cancer)

Ralph Vernon



The First United Methodist Church at Pigeon Forge, Tennessee acknowledges with deep appreciation your benevolence gift for fire victims.

Dear Providence Friends,

Thank you so much for the book you sent me for Christmas, it means a lot to me to have my name in the bulletin and have each of you praying for me.

With Love,
Megan Thomas

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, January 15

Human Relations Awareness Day

- 9:00 Connections
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Worship
- 12:00 UMW (SH)
- 1:00 Elmcroft Worship
- 3:00 Disciple I
- 3:00 UMW (SH)
- 4:00 Girl Scouts
- 5:30 Youth & Inukshuks

Monday, January 16

Church Office Closed

- 7:00 Ruritan Dinner (SH)

Tuesday, January 17

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

Wednesday, January 18

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, January 19

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 MIM
- 6:30 AA Group (205)

Friday, January 20

- 9:15 Cooks for Christ
- 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 Karrie Ostrum

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 Wendy Collins
SS Troye Hamilton
11:00 Jean Riekers & Jane Gilliam

Counters:

Klaus Worrell (captain)

Steve Oliver

Readers:

Jean Chappell

Audio/Visual Team:

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