

# *Providence United Methodist Church*

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

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Opening Prayer**

**Singing:** "Open Up the Heavens"

**Making Connections**

**A Time with the Children**

**Singing:** "I Need You More"

**Scripture**

Mark 1:14-20

**Message:** "Called by God"

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:** "I Will Follow"

**Benediction**

# 3rd 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.

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## THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

+ Call to Worship \*

(based on Psalm 62, Mark 1:14-20)

One: It is time to become focused, not on our wants or complaints but on God:

**Many: In the silent places of my soul I turn to God, for God alone is our rock and salvation.**

One: Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the good news of God, saying the time has come, the realm of God is at hand.

**Many: The realm of God is not very far from any one of us, for in God we live and, move and have our being.**

One: Jesus said: repent and believe the good news.

**ALL: The time has come. In the silent places of my soul I turn to God, for God alone is our rock and salvation.**

—Written by Bruce Prew

+ Hymn "The Summons" FWS #2130

+ Opening Prayer

Making Connections

## **TO HEAR THE WORD**

Children's Time Sherry Wright-Jeter

First Reading (UMH #787) \* Psalm 62:5-12 **Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" UMH #344

Second Reading Mark 1:14-20 **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Called by God?" Derrick Parson

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 "I Surrender All" arr. by Joseph Linn  
The SonRise Sisters

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

+ Hymn "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus" FWS #2129

+ Benediction

+ Postlude

## 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.

**Homeward's Winter Point In Time Homeless Count** will be held downtown on January 25, 2018. We depleted our winter clothing at the big event in November but will accept any warm or layering clothing, comfortable shoes or boots and especially gloves, if you would like to donate. We will also be collecting individual snack items. Thank you for your continuing support of this mission.

Everyone is invited for **Family Bowling** at King Pin Lanes (200 N. Otterdale Rd., Midlothian, 23113) on January 27, at 3:00 p.m. Email [sherry.jetter@providenceumc.net](mailto:sherry.jetter@providenceumc.net) or sign up on the clipboard if you would like to attend. Cost is \$5 per bowler.

**Church Council** is meeting for **strategic planning** after services on Sunday, January 28 until 3:00 p.m., in the Social Hall.

Our **Covenant Class** (2nd session, Living) is now meeting on Sunday afternoons at 2:00 p.m., in room 205. We've got a good group started, but we'll always welcome more. Contact the church office if you want to order a book (\$15).

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.

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### PUMC Financial Report (as of December 31, 2017)

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	December	2017 YTD	2016 YTD
Receipts	\$57,929	\$356,132	\$393,373
Disbursements	\$30,865	\$380,865	\$382,686
Net Receipts	\$27,063	(\$24,732)	\$10,686
Operating Fund	\$56,640		

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January 21, 2018

## PRAYER MINISTRY

**January 21, 2018:** We pray to overcome in Christ's name the heritage of racism: to overcome ignorance, indifference, resentment, and bitterness with regard to race in both private and public life.

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	Jennifer Collins
Harrison Bailey	Wayne Lee
Hunter Blankenship	Matt Latimer
Terrance Brunson	Megan Thomas

### Our gathered prayer concerns:

- \* Dot Ashburn
- \* Curtis Bailey
- \* Bobby Baker (friend of the Bells)
- \* Lois Butler (mother of Brenda Woodward)
- \* Charles Clarke (blood clots; brother of Beverley Brooks)
- \* Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)
- \* **The family of Margaret Collins** (died 1/14; mother of Mike Collins)
- \* John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- \* Uldine Curtis

- \* Bob & Fran Fitch
- \* Emma Fleenor
- \* Donna Greene (shoulder replacement, 1/2)
- \* Jill Gueswelle (very good friend of Elizabeth Kyser)
- \* Kelton Honeycutt (grandfather of Danielle Hellams)
- \* Diane Huchingson (died, 1/4; sister-in-law of Diane King)
- \* Dot Janutolo (St. Francis, Room 434)
- \* Earl Jennings (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- \* Joyce (friend of Jane Elbert)
- \* The family of Joy Keerans (who died 12/24)
- \* Jack & Linda Keery
- \* Blanca & Jose Mera
- \* Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- \* Leigh Middleton
- \* Dakota Miller (on life support)
- \* Johnise Molloy (home)
- \* Sheila Scott (cancer)
- \* David Slenaker (heart failure; friend of Robin Jeffrey)
- \* Jean Slaven (Barbara Robertson's mother)
- \* Gary Smallwood (brother of Brad Smallwood)
- \* Jeff Smith (father of Fran McConnell)
- \* Sharon & Bob VanWhy (friends of Peg Martin)
- \* Darla White (battling cancer; friend of Robin Jeffrey)
- \* Ron White (hip replacement surgery on 12/20)



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, January 21

- 9:00 Connections Worship
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 9:45 Confirmation Class (L)
- 11:00 Traditional Worship
- 1:00 Scouts Training (SH)
- 2:00 Covenant Class (205)
- 3:30 Girl Scouts (309)
- 4:30 Youth Choir
- 5:15 SonRise Sisters
- 5:30 Youth & Inukshuks
- 6:00 Bells of Providence

### Monday, January 22

- 10:00 Linedancers (309)
- 6:45 Trustees (L)

### Tuesday, January 23

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

### Wednesday, January 24

- 6:30 Chancel Choir

### Thursday, January 25

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 11:00 Knitters & Crocheters (205)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 MIM (Sanc)
- 6:30 AA (YH)

### Friday, January 26

- 3:00 Pinewood Derby Setup (SH)
- 8:00 AA (309)

### Saturday, January 27

- 8:00 Pinewood Derby (SH)
- 3:00 Family Bowling (King Pin, Midlothian)

## 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

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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 Meredith Kyser

### Greeters:

9:00 Judy Miles (Library)  
Mike Patterson (Narthex)  
11:00 Patty Wright (Library)  
Jean Riekers (Narthex)

### Ushers:

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

### Nursery:

9:00 Bethany Sharpe  
SS Wendy Collins  
11:00 Lindsey & Wendy Collins

### Counters:

Klaus Worrell  
Steve Oliver

### Reader:

Barbie Vest

### Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)  
Steve Oliver (V)  
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)  
Steve Oliver (V)

### Sanctuary Organizers:

Peggy Gillette (January 1-31)  
Flora Scott & Jean Winfree  
(February 1-28)

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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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### Church Staff:

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**Youth Ministries** Mary & Greg Elliott (interim)

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

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