


# *Providence United Methodist Church*

*Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.*

## **CONNECTIONS 9:00 am**

**Singing:** “Everlasting God” and “The Great I Am”  
Michael Kalson, Contemporary Music Leader

### **Making Connections**

**Singing:** “Forgiveness”

**Scripture:** Mark 4:35-41

**Sermon:** “Sea of Galilee: Why Are You Afraid?”  
Pastor Mary Beth Blinn

### **Prayer Time**

#### **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.

**Singing with Offering:** “Awakening”

### **Benediction**

# 4th Sunday in Lent

March 15, 2015 11:00 a.m.

## THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude	“On Jordan’s Stormy Banks”	arr. Mark Hayes
Call To Worship	“God Is So Good” Youth Handbells with KC Jam	arr. Ken Medema
+ Hymn	“Stand By Me”	UMH 512
+ Psalm Reading	Psalm 107:1-9, 33-43	UMH 830

## TO HEAR THE WORD

A Time with the Children

First Reading*	Matthew 14:22-33	
Anthem	“What Wondrous Love Is This” Chancel Choir	arr. John Leavitt
Gospel Reading*	Mark 4:35-41	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>
Sermon	“Sea of Galilee: Why Are You Afraid?” Pastor Mary Beth Blinn	

## TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Hymn	“Be Still My Soul”	UMH 534
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Prayer

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Offertory

"My Love Song is Unknown"

arr. Dale Wood

+ Response\*

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

UMH 94

## **AND SCATTERS TO BE THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD**

+ Hymn

"I Love To Tell The Story"

UMH 156

+ Benediction

+ Postlude

**Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.**

**UMH** = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

\* = Words Projected

**FWS** = The Faith We Sing (Black)

+ = Please stand as you are able

### **Welcome guests. We're glad you're here!**

- Pick up a welcome gift in the foyer—Our "**Join the Mix**" bean soup mix.
- **Children's age-appropriate 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).

**The flowers on the altar today** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of my dad, Harry Havekost, from his loving daughter, Claudia Havekost.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sign up today for our next **Wednesday Night Dinner** on March 18, 5:30-6:15 p.m. You can also call the office (276-4289) no later than Tuesday. The dinner is being hosted by the Hospitality Committee. The menu is turkey crunch, green beans, slaw, roll and dessert. The cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 12.

A **Congregation-wide Prayer Service** will be held this Friday, on the theme of "Trust and Follow" at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary. Through music and scripture, individual and corporate prayer, we will offer our concerns for the world, our church and our families, to God.

Our trustees are looking for men and women who have maintenance, upkeep, yard work and cleaning skills who would like to be the new "**Handyman Team**." Sign up on the clipboards today and you'll get more information.

## **Mission Minute**

**Fifth Sunday Missions:** Did you know that each year has 4 fifth Sundays? The Missions Committee has decided to incorporate some sort of hands on mission for each of the fifth Sundays this year. The first one occurs this month, March 29, and we are going to ask everyone to come and work in the Mission

Room. We will be organizing, sorting, tagging and boxing clothes and maybe even working in the CARITAS storage unit. There will be some light work, and there will be something to do for people of all ages. We will meet back at church at 2:00 or so and get the Mission Room up and running for our next homeless event.

**Save the Date!** We will be hosting families with children in the **CARITAS** program (Congregations Around Richmond Involved To Assure Shelter) from May 23-30. Many hands are needed to make this week a success. Please consider, or have your group discuss, hosing a dinner, packing lunches, being an overnight chaperone, taking home a bag of laundry to return the next day and coming in to help with homework or play with the children in the evening. Providence has participated in the CARITAS program for over 25 years, and it takes the entire church to pull off this most important mission. Watch for a sign-up sheet to appear soon. We intend to plan early this year!

Today's devotional writer in "Into the Wilderness," our Lenten devotional booklet from Society of St. Andrew, talks about how our own busy-ness keeps us from listening for God's voice. Elijah found God not in wind, fire, or earthquake, but in sheer silence. When did you last spend time in silence, waiting for God?

Devotional booklets for each day of the 40 day **season of Lent** are available in the foyer. Pick one up for yourself or your family. Offering

boxes may be filled for hunger relief through the Society of St. Andrew.

### **One Great Hour of Sharing**

Today is the One Great Hour of Sharing offering to support the ongoing work of the United Methodist Committee on Relief. UMCOR responds to natural or civil disasters of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own. Through UMCOR, United Methodists extend loving care to people within the United States, as well as internationally: in Africa, Asia, Central and South America, and the Caribbean. These beneficiaries are seen as partners, not victims, and UMCOR works to empower them. Wherever possible, UMCOR cooperates with other aid organizations to extend its reach. UMCOR also works toward global health and development. Your **gift today** ensures that UMCOR can respond anywhere in the world at any time.

Order **Easter flowers** for the sanctuary or **Bibles for Chinese Christians** (through the American Bible Society). Cost is \$10 for lilies, tulips, or Bibles. Complete the form in today's bulletin, mark it and the envelope "Easter Flowers" and place it in the offering plate. The deadline to place your order is **Sunday, March 22**.

The Chesterfield Ruritan Club is having a **Brunswick Stew** on March 21 at the church picnic shelter. Stew will be available for pickup around 1:00 p.m. and is \$7 per quart. To PRE-ORDER, please call Club President, Jerry Bowers at 804-928-2365. Leave a message

and your phone number and someone will call you back to confirm your order.

Our Easter Offering will support "**Imagine No Malaria.**" The goal is to join with other churches in our conference to save 100,000 lives. \$10 per member will buy a mosquito net and save a life.

The Cemetery Committee is requesting that all non-seasonal flowers be removed by March 22. Thanks for your assistance.

The **Virginia United Methodist Advocate**, the official conference magazine, equips, connects and informs United Methodists. The Advocate offers in-depth features on topics of interest to United Methodists; religious news from the conference, local churches, the nation and the world; a message from the Bishop; clergy and diaconal personal news; weekly devotionals; tools to help equip congregations for ministry, and much more. An online subscription is \$10 per year. Individual (printed) subscriptions are: 1 year—\$15; 2 years—\$25; and 3 years—\$36. Subscription forms are available in the narthex and in the church office.

## **PRAYER MINISTRY**

Hand-knitted **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 [tlcnlc@verizon.net](mailto:tlcnlc@verizon.net). If you would

like to be added to the list to receive prayer requests, contact the Coffmans.

**What are you afraid of?  
Draw a picture or write a prayer**

**Our service men and women, wherever they serve, and their families:**

Hunter Blankenship, Megan Thomas Clark, Jennifer Collins, Matt Latimer, Wayne Lee

**Our gathered prayer concerns:**

Curtis and Shirley Bailey (on the death of his brother, Ernest Bailey), Brian Bilski, Billy & Louise Boyles (parents of Pam Jones), the family of Blair Craig (who died on 2/16), Tony, Julie and Kelsey Fleshmen (auto accident on 2/16), Bob Fogle (nephew of Eula Phillips), **Carrington Goode** (OP surgery on 3/13), Pam Groome, Jean Horne (mother-in-law of Kelly Horne), Jack Keery, Patricia Logan-Reilly (friend of Linda Collins), Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), **Wayne Smith on the death of his wife, Kathy on 3/10**; Dorothy Spencer (in rehab in Florida), Doris Teeter, Stuart Watkins (St. Mary's).

**Metro Richmond at Prayer for March 8, 2015:** We pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: for emergency response personnel and all emergency room staff. For hospitals, nursing homes, and hospice programs; and for persons diagnosed with terminal illness.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, March 15

- 9:00 Connections Worship Service
- 9:45 Sunday School for all ages
- 9:45 The Way (309)
- 10:00-2:00 Crafts & Collectibles Exhibit (SH)
- 11:00 Traditional Worship Service
- 12:15 CAP Meeting (205)
- 1:00 Elmcroft Worship Service
- 2:00 Disciple 1 (205)
- 4:00 Girl Scouts (309)
- 4:00 Youth Choir
- 4:45 Youth Handbells
- 5:30 Chili Cook-Off (SH)
- 7:30 Adult Bell Rehearsal

### Monday, March 16

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 7:00 Ruritan Dinner (SH)

### Tuesday, March 17

- 10:30 Whitt Circle (SH)
- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:00 Girl Scout Cookie Pick-Up (Preschool area)
- 6:30 Disciple 4 (205)
- 6:30 Cub & Boy Scouts (SH/3rd Floor)

### Wednesday, March 18

- 5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner (SH)
- 6:00 Providence Court Assn. (205)
- 6:30 The Way, (309)
- 6:30 Child Protection Policy Training (L)
- 6:30 KC Jam (108)
- 7:00 Chancel Choir

### Thursday, March 19

- 6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Ministry in Motion

### Friday, March 20

- 9:15 Cooks for Christ
- 6:30 Prayer Service (Sanctuary)
- 8:00 AA Group (309)

Journey Retreat

### Saturday, March 21

Journey Retreat  
Ruritan Brunswick Stew (PS/SH)

## 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

### Greeters:

- ( 9:00) Diane King (Ed. Bldg.)  
Mike Patterson (Narthex)  
(11:00) Allen Branson (Ed. Bldg.)  
Mary Lou Branson (Narthex)

### Acolyte:

- (11:00) Cole Holland

### Nursery:

- ( 9:00) Jennifer Clemmons  
( SS) Jennifer Ostrum  
(11:00) Laurie Breeden

### Counters:

- Klaus Worrell (captain)  
Steve Oliver, Stuart Watkins

### Ushers:

- ( 9:00) Bill Blankenship  
Chris Healy, Carolyn Bilski  
(11:00) George Winstead  
Linwood Hudson, Jack Waters,  
T. L. Jenkins, Stuart Watkins,  
Pam Asbury, Melvin Watkins

### Reader:

Amy Mott

### Audio/Media Shout Team:

- ( 9:00) Tyler Griggs (A)  
Jimmy Sculthorpe (MS)  
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Jimmy Sculthorpe (MS)

### Sanctuary Organizer:

Eula Phillips  
Peggy Gillette

### Sign Changer:

Gene Duckworth

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### Office Hours:

Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Friday 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.

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