

Providence United Methodist Church

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CONNECTIONS 9:00 am

Palm Sunday Procession

All who are able are invited to begin the service outside the front of the church.

Scripture: Mark 1:1-11

Singing: “Hosanna” and “How Can I Keep From Singing”

Michael Kalson, Contemporary Music Leader

Making Connections

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: “Lead Me to the Cross”

The Proclamation of the Passion Story: Mark 14:1-15:47

Readers: Christopher Wilms, Amy Palmer, Beverly Evans, Jim McConnell

Pilate: Then what shall I do with the man who you call the King of the Jews?” And they cried out again,

Congregation: “Crucify him.”

Singing: “Were You There”

Benediction

Palm/Passion Sunday

March 29, 2015 11:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday Procession

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+ Proclamation of the Entrance into Jerusalem

Mark 1:1-11

+ Response

Leader: Hosanna to the Son of David

People: Hosanna in the highest!

Leader: Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna in the highest!

+ Processional Hymn

“Hosanna, Loud Hosanna”

UMH 278

Hosanna, loud hosanna, the little children sang;
Through pillared court and temple the lovely anthem rang.
To Jesus, who had blessed them close folded to his breast,
The children sang their praises, the simplest and the best.

From Olivet they followed mid an exultant crowd,
The victor palm branch waving, and chanting clear and loud.
The Lord of earth and heaven rode on in lowly state,
Nor scorned that little children should on his bidding wait.

“Hosanna in the highest!” that ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise him with heart and life and voice,
And in his blissful presence eternally rejoice!

+ Opening Prayer

Almighty God, on this day your Son Jesus Christ entered the holy city of Jerusalem and was proclaimed King by those who spread their garments and palm branches along his way. Let those branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our Lord, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life.

In his name we pray. Amen.

Musical Offering

“The Triumphal Entry”
Children’s Choir; Laura Griggs, flute

Mark Patterson

Welcome and Announcements

Prayer

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Offertory

+ Response*

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

UMH 94

Musical Offering

“Look Who’s Coming!”
Youth Choir; Travis Miller, trumpet

Michael Bedford

First Reading

Philippians 2:5-11

Thanks be to God.

Hymn

“Beneath the Cross of Jesus”

UMH 297

Proclamation of the Passion Story

Mark 14:1-15:47

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call the King of the Jews?” And they cried out again,

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+ Hymn

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

UMH 298

+ 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 celebration of the 2nd "birthday of our 'Tru Blu'! We love you!" Mommy, Daddy, Jackson, Cole, Nana and Popa.

The **rosebud on the altar** today is given to the glory of god and in celebration of the birth of **Sydney Grace Bucholz**, on March 7. Parents are Mike and Karen Bucholz; big sister is Devyn and big brother is Tyler. Grandparents are Marilyn and Frank Bell.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The **palm leaf crosses** that you receive today have been made by volunteers in our church. This has been a long-time traditional observance of Palm Sunday at Providence. Thanks, Carolyn Bilski and your crew!

Today is our first **Fifth Sunday Missions**

Sunday. Come at 2:00 p.m. to help 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 hope to get the Missions Room up and running for our next homeless event.

Holy Week 2015

Sunday, March 29, Palm/Passion Sunday

9 and 11 am; procession with palms.
Dramatic reading of Jesus' last week

Thursday, April 2, Holy Thursday, 6:30 pm

Passover Seder Meal with Holy Communion; social hall. Experience this traditional Jewish meal with prayers, scripture and stories that Jesus and his disciples would have had at the "Last Supper." All ages are welcome. (Hint: Eat supper before you come. It's not a full meal but there will be some very interesting foods to sample.)

Friday, April 3, Good Friday, 6:30 pm

Service of Stones and Shadows; sanctuary. Worship in gathering darkness with music by the Chancel Choir, Sunrise Sisters and solo violin. Remember that Jesus died for you.

Easter Sunday, April 5

Sunrise Service, 6:30 am; outdoor chapel.
Jesus lives!
Breakfast to follow.
Worship Celebrations, 9:00 and 11 am

On Easter Sunday, April 5, we will make the center **outdoor cross** “bloom.” Please bring fresh flowers to place on Christ’s cross before either the 9 am or 11 am service. Church members will be there to help you. Please join us in making our “**living cross**” beautiful!

An **important meeting** to learn more about Chesterfield County’s plan to **revitalize Providence Middle School and surrounding area** will be on Tuesday, March 31, at Providence Middle School (900 Starlight Lane, 23235). Dinner will be served at 6:00 p.m. for the first 200 people. The program begins at 6:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Free childcare will be provided for children ages 3 and up.



Our church is organizing a **softball team** for the spring and summer Friday night league. The games start on April 17. All men and women, age 16 and up, are welcome to participate. To sign up or to ask questions, contact Steve Reese, at smrtips1@yahoo.com or at 914-2987.

The Women’s Auxiliary of the UM Urban Ministries of Richmond are selling **Geraniums**. Available colors are: red, salmon, hot pink, and white. Cost is \$4.50 each. Contact Shirley Collins at 745-3024 or scol23235@gmail.com to place your order. Deadline to order is April 11, with delivery on April 17.

This week the Hosannas of Palm Sunday will give way to the anguish of the cross. As you

read and pray through this week’s Lent devotions in “Into the Wilderness,” spend some time considering why our faith must journey through Golgotha to reach the Resurrection. Your **Lenten Offering** boxes for the Society of St. Andrew hunger relief may be returned to the church to any of our worship services this week or the church office

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 will buy a mosquito net and save a life.

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, hosting 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 sign-up sheets to appear soon. We intend to plan early this year!

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

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:

Brian Bilski, Billy Blankenship; Bob Fogle (nephew of Eula Phillips), Carrington Goode, Jean Horne (mother-in-law of Kelly Horne), Mildred Isbell, Pam Jones and family (on the death of her father, Billy Boyles), **Ronnie Justice** (surgery 3/27), Jack Keery, Patricia Logan-Reilly (friend of Linda Collins), Lewis Miller (on the death of his wife, Frances, on March 16), **Gail Morris** (friend of Peg Martin), 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), Robert Vance (friend of Robbie Robertson), **Nancy Voltz** (friend of Donna Jenkins), Stuart Watkins (Sheltering Arms Rehab)

Metro Richmond at Prayer for March 29, 2015: We pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: for the full restoration of health, wellness, and well-being to all people residing in our metropolitan community.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, March 29—Palm Sunday

- 9:00 Connections Worship Service
- 9:45 Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 Traditional Worship Service
- 2:00 5th Sunday Mission Project
- 2:00 Disciple 1 (205)
- 4:00 Girl Scouts (309)
- 4:00 Youth Choir
- 4:45 Youth Handbells
- 5:30 Inukshuks & Youth
- 7:30 Adult Bell Rehearsal

Monday, March 30

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)

Tuesday, March 31

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Community Revitalization Meeting
Providence Middle School
- 6:30 Disciple 4 (205)
- 6:30 Cub & Boy Scouts (SH/3rd Floor)

Wednesday, April 1

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 6:30 KC Jam (108)
- 7:00 Chancel Choir

Thursday, April 2

- 6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Holy Thursday Seder Meal with Holy
Communion (SH)
- 6:30 Ministry in Motion

Friday, April 3

- 6:30 Good Friday Service (Sanc)
- 8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, April 4

- 8:30 Music Rehearsal (Sanc)
- 10:00 Decorate Ivy Cross (Sanc)

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) Meredith Kyser

Nursery:

- (9:00) Barbara Oliver
(SS) Troye Hamilton
(11:00) Carol Urso

Counters:

- Gary Wright (captain)
Anne Baird, Wayne Smith

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:

Galen Reil

Audio/Media Shout Team:

- (9:00) Tyler Griggs (A)
Dano Holland (MS)
(11:00) Ron Wootten (A)
Dano Holland (MS)

Sanctuary Organizer:

Eula Phillips
Peggy Gillette

Sign Changer:

Jim DeLap

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Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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