

# *Providence United Methodist Church*

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

**Singing:** "Love the Lord"  
"Step by Step"

### **Making Connections**

**Children's Time**  
Sherry Wright-Jeter

**Scripture:** Exodus 20:1-17

**Sermon:** "What principals do you live by?"

### **Holy Communion**

#### **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.

*Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table. Open your hands to receive the bread and dip it in the cup of juice. The altar rail is always available as a place of prayer. Special offerings left on the altar rail will go toward families with emergency needs. Gluten-free wafers and juice are available.*

**Singing and Offering:** "Take My Life (Holiness)"

### **Benediction**

# 3rd Sunday in Lent

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 Exodus 20:1-20

+ Opening Prayer

+ Hymn "I Want a Principle Within" UMH #410

Making Connections

Children's Time Sherry Wright-Jeter

## TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading UMH #750

Psalm 19

Thanks be to God.

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March 4, 2018

Special Music	“Grace” The Chancel Choir	arr. by Mark Hayes
Second Reading *	Exodus 20:1-17	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>
Sermon	“What principals do you live by?”	Derrick Parson
Offertory	“Great is Thy Faithfulness” Handbell Solo, Linda Koertge	
+ Response*	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH #94

### **TO RESPOND IN FAITH**

Invitation		
Prayer of Confession		UMH #12
Sharing the Peace of Christ		
Holy Communion	(with Musical Response A)	UMH #17

Prayer of Thanksgiving  
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.**

Breaking the Bread  
Giving the Bread and Cup

*Everyone who is present today is welcome at the Lord’s Table. The ushers will invite you to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive the bread and juice, kneeling or standing as you are able. Gluten-free wafers and juice are available. Monetary gifts left at the rail go to emergency needs in our church and community.*

Prayer after Communion

+ Hymn	“How Firm a Foundation” (vs 1,2,3)	UMH #529
+ 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.

Our **Annual Spring Fling** is coming up on March 24, 3:00-5:00 p.m. We will have games, cake walk, petting zoo, Easter egg hunt and more! Everyone can get in on the fun! Please sign up to volunteer in the main hall across from the water fountain. We will also need candy and treat donation (no chocolate please), and goodies for the cake walk.

The insert in today's bulletin is for **Easter lilies, tulips, or Bibles**. The cost is \$10 each and the deadline to place your order is Sunday, March 18. We will also be making **Palm Crosses** when we get closer to Palm Sunday. The exact date will be communicated soon. We hope you will be able to help.

Please sign up today for this week's **Wednesday Night Dinner** on March 7 at 5:30

p.m. which is being prepared by Gary Vest. The menu features pork loin, veggies, bread, dessert and beverages.

A Lenten study, "**He Chose the Nails**" by **Max Lucado**, is on Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. (March 6, 13, 20 and 27) in Room 205. The study is being led by Robin Sculthorpe. Drop ins are welcome.

**Kits for Conference.** Changes are being made on how we're assembling and taking Hygiene kits to conference this year. They are only accepting School kits, Cleaning kits and Hygiene kits. In addition, kits will only be sent where needed within the US. Other plans are in place to aid in foreign disasters. As a church we would like to concentrate on Hygiene kits.

During March we will be accepting wash cloths, adult size toothbrushes (do not remove from original wrapping) and combs (sturdy and longer than 6 inches; no pocket combs or picks). There will be marked bins in the Mission area near the elevator on the second floor. Our goal is to assemble 100 kits. We will be collecting \$1 per kit later for the purchase of toothpaste and to assist in shipping charges.

### PUMC Financial Report as of January 31, 2018

	January	2018 YTD	2017 YTD
Receipts	\$35,004	\$35,004	\$34,473
Disbursements	\$34,384	\$34,384	\$35,503
Net Receipts	\$620	\$620	(\$1,029)
Operating Fund	\$57,266		

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Books for the **2018 UMW Reading Program** are in the Library on the UMW shelf. They are marked "New Books" so start reading! The report to the District UMW must be in by August and you know how time flies. Let's have lots of books read by then!

~~ Providence UMW

The Chesterfield Ruritan Club that meets here at PUMC will be sending 4 youth, 9-18 years old, to the **Ruritan Youth Camp** at the 4H Educational Conference Center at Smith Mountain Lake, June 22-24, 2018. The cost of \$150 will be covered by the Chesterfield Ruritan Club. If you are interested, contact Dave Robinson (804-739-2991) for registration forms.

The Chesterfield Ruritan Club is preparing **Brunswick Stew** on March 10. The cost per quart is \$7. Bobby Burton is taking pre-orders ([bobbyburton@verizon.net](mailto:bobbyburton@verizon.net) or 804-432-5096). You can pick it up here at PUMC around 1:00 pm on the 10th or have it delivered. Thank you for supporting the Chesterfield Ruritan Club. Your support enables them to give scholarships and help in many other ways in our community.

**Westview on The James** offers 3-day, 1-week, and 2-week overnight camps for ages 6-17. Westview is having an Open House on April 29, 12:30-4:30pm with lunch and refreshments being provided. Tour the camp, try some activities and meet the staff. You can find more details regarding the camp and programs at [www.westviewcamp.org](http://www.westviewcamp.org). There

are brochures in the narthex and on the table near the office.

**Reminder:** Next week is the beginning of daylight savings time. Remember to set your clocks ahead before you go to bed on Saturday night.

March 11 is **UMCOR Sunday** (formerly One Great Hour of Sharing). Your contribution ensures UMCOR's response in times of crisis.

Have you noticed anything new on the church website? Check the top line — the one with the title tabs. Did you see **Event Calendar**? We have the church calendar online now and it's live!. Click here to check it out **PUMC Calendar**.

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**

**March 4, 2018:** We pray for health care in Metropolitan Richmond: for persons living with terminal illnesses and for their families, friends, and communities; for persons working to find cures for diseases.

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	Megan Thomas
Terrance Brunson	

**Our gathered prayer concerns:**

- \* Dot Ashburn
- \* **Clinton Asbury** (stroke, in ICU in Johnson City, TN; uncle of Pam Asbury.)
- \* Curtis Bailey
- \* Bobby Baker (friend of the Bells)
- \* Nan Blackwell
- \* Lois Butler (mother of Brenda Woodward)
- \* Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)
- \* John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- \* Uldine Curtis
- \* Jan deCheubel (knee replacement surgery)
- \* Bob & Fran Fitch
- \* The family of Emma Fleenor (died 2/5)
- \* Jill Gueswelle (very good friend of Elizabeth Kyser)
- \* Dot Janutolo (in rehab in Nashville, TN)
- \* Earl Jennings (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- \* Joyce (friend of Jane Elbert)
- \* Jack & Linda Keery
- \* Charles King (procedure on leg to open arteries, date TBD)
- \* Diane King (severe back pain; procedure Monday, 2/26)
- \* **Bob Loud** (recent cancer diagnosis; cousin of Pat Loud)
- \* The family & friends of Gladys Mann (died 2/16)
- \* Blanca & Jose Mera
- \* Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- \* Leigh Middleton

- \* The family of Allen D. Minter (died 2/16; former pastor of PUMC)
- \* Johnise Molloy (home)
- \* Grace Newman
- \* The family of Gladys Robertson (died 2/20; mother of Robbie Robertson)
- \* 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)
- \* The family of Betty Taylor (died 1/28; sister of Phyllis Ranger and Dot Janutolo)
- \* Sharon & Bob VanWhy (friends of Peg Martin)
- \* Darla White (battling cancer; friend of Robin Jeffrey)
- \* **Bobby Wood** (JW Room 515)



*We would like to thank everyone for their kind expressions of sympathy to our family after the death of Mike's mother, Margaret Collins.*

*~~ Mike, Wendy, Sean,  
Lindsey and Luke Collins*

Tommy, son of **Myrtle Jenkins**, asked that we let the PUMC members know that visits would be a welcome treat for Myrtle. She is in Room 211 at the Bickford of Chesterfield, 11200 W. Huguenot Rd., Midlothian, VA 23113.

**Cards and letters are welcome!**

Dot Janutolo  
c/o Tralena Walker  
146 Cobbler Circle  
Hendersonville, TN 37075

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, March 4

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

### Monday, March 5

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 7:00 Staff Parish (L)

### Tuesday, March 6

- 10:00 GED Classes (309)
- 10:30 Staff Meeting (205)
- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 2:00 Alpha Theatre (309)
- 2:00 Funeral, Allen Minter (Sanc)
- 3:00 Reception (SH)
- 6:30 Cubs/Boy Scouts (SH/309)
- 7:00 "He Chose Nails" Lenten Study (205)
- 7:00 Newton Circle

### Wednesday, March 7

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 5:30 Wednesday Night Dinner (SH)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir

### Thursday, March 8

- 9:30 Prayer Team (L)
- 10:00 GED Classes (309)
- 11:00 Knitters & Crocheters
- 5:30 Starlighters (SH)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 AA (YH)
- 6:30 MIM
- 7:00 Gregory Circle

### Friday, March 9

- 8:00 AA (309)

### Saturday, March 10

- 1:00 Ruritan Stew Pick-Up (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

### Acolyte:

11:00 Meredith Kyser

### Greeters:

9:00 \_\_\_\_\_ (Library)  
Mike Patterson (Narthex)  
11:00 Allen Branson (Library)  
Mary Lou Branson (Narthex)

### Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship  
Chris Healy  
Sheila Dougherty  
11:00 George Winstead  
Linwood Hudson, Pam Asbury  
Melvin Watkins

### Nursery:

9:00 Kelly Horne  
SS Wendy Collins  
11:00 Carol Urso & Wendy Collins

### Counters:

Gary Wright  
Wayne Smith, Anne Baird

### Reader:

Pat Loud

### Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)  
Nikki Earley (V)  
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)  
Nikki Earley (V)

### Sanctuary Organizers:

Judy Gindhart  
(March 1-31)

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### Office Hours:

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

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

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

**Custodial Service** TBA

**Nursery Attendant** Cynthia Liverpool

**Our Covenant Missionary** Kim King Torres

**Presiding Bishop** Sharma Lewis