


Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.

CONNECTIONS 9:00 am

Singing: "I Want to Know You" and "Forgiveness"

Michael Kalson, Contemporary Music Leader

Making Connections

Scripture: Acts 4:32-35

Children's Time

Singing: "I Shall Not be Moved"

Scripture: Joshua 1:1-9

Message: "What Do We Do Now?"

Laura Griggs, Lay Leader

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: "Revelation Song"

Benediction

2nd Sunday of Easter

April 12, 2015 11:00 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude "Because He Lives" arr. James Koerts
Carla Wootten, piano

+ Greeting

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life.

**People: Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live,
And everyone who lives and believes in me will never die.**

+ Hymn "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" UMH 304

Affirmation of Faith

All: We believe in the risen Christ.

Like the disciples who were amazed at what they saw, so are we amazed at what we experience.

We see the face of Christ in children's smiles, in the eyes of our families.

We hear the voice of Christ in the stillness of a clear night,
in the way our friends call our name, in the song that brings tears to our eyes.

We know the touch of Christ in every warm embrace.
We taste the presence of Christ in the bread that is blessed, broken, and shared.

We feel the power of Christ in standing up to injustice,
in reaching out to help another, in building strong communities of welcome and support.

We feel the love of Christ when another wipes away our tears,
takes us by the hand and leads us through the valleys and shadows to a new place.

We believe in the risen Christ
We know the risen Christ
We are an Easter People! Alleluia . . . Amen.

TO HEAR THE WORD

A Time with the Children

First Reading*	Joshua 1:1-9	Thanks be to God.
+ Hymn	"He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought"	UMH 128
Gospel Reading*	Acts 4:32-35	Thanks be to God.
Sermon	"What Do We Do Now?"	Laura Griggs, Lay Leader

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Musical Offering	"He's Got the Whole World in His Hands" Margaret Taylor, solo	arr. Moses Hogan
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Prayer

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Offertory	"Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"	arr. Dale Wood
+ Response*	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	UMH 94

AND SCATTERS TO BE THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

+ Hymn	"Lead On, O King Eternal"	UMH 580
+ Benediction		
+ Postlude	"Trumpet Tune in F"	David N. Johnson

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

UMH = United Methodist Hymnal (Red)

FWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

* = Words Projected

+ = 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 by Harold Fleenor, in memory of his wife, Jane, on the anniversary of her birthday on April 11.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to our **Lay Leader, Laura Griggs**, for her message and leadership today. Our pastor will return to the office on Tuesday.

This Saturday, April 18, at 7:00 p.m., the **City Singers Youth Choir** will perform in our sanctuary. City Singers is based in Richmond and performs the highest caliber of youth choral music from classical, traditional, and modern compositions from around the world. City Singers has been bringing youth together through song since 1996. Please come out to support this local organization directed by Leslie Dripps, Mara Smith, and accompanied by our very own Margaret Taylor.



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. Sign up today on the clipboards or contact Steve Reese at 914-2987 or: smrtips1@yahoo.com.

Looking for a small group for study and fellowship? Beginning May 3, a new group will begin meeting on Sundays at 9:45 in the Social Hall. They will begin with a study of 1st John, a short but life-transforming book in the New Testament. If you are interested, sign up today on the clipboards. Contact Valerie Reese for more information at 909-3659 or valerie_Reese@yahoo.com.

April 25, Shalom Farms. Everyone is invited and families are encouraged to participate. Work is available for all abilities and ages, including sit-down jobs. Be in mission with others from the Richmond District and join in the fun. Sign up on the clipboard today if you would like to be a part of this mission trip.

Our Easter Offering is supporting “**Imagine No Malaria.**” Malaria is transmitted by mosquitos in Africa and other continents around the world. One simple way to prevent the spread of this deadly disease is to provide bed nets for families. \$10 will buy a mosquito net and save a life. Mark your check or an envelope in the pew rack: Easter Offering. It’s not too late to give a gift! We have raised \$1,353.63 so far.

The Youth are seeking donations to help with the expenses of their summer mission trip to Virginia Beach where they will be doing home repair work for families in need. The **Wall of Giving** has 50 envelopes with amounts from \$1 to \$50. Envelopes can be dropped in the offering plate. Checks can be made out to Providence Church with “Youth fundraiser” on the memo line. Thank you for supporting our youth and their efforts to spread the love of Jesus. Thank you, Susan Clark

Native American Ministries Sunday is April 19. Your gift matters. It assures children that they are important members of God’s loving family. The United Methodist Native American Ministries offering makes a difference for children who need positive role models. Your gift also helps support ministries within the annual conference, provide scholarships for Native Americans attending seminary, and strengthen, develop and equip Native Americans.

The deadline for the **May Newsletter** is Wednesday, April 15. Please send (or give) your articles to Linda Collins (linda.collins@providenceumc.net) by Wednesday.

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!

Are you thinking about being baptized or becoming a **member of Providence**? Speak with Pastor Mary Beth who will guide you in the next steps to take (276-4289).

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 tlcnic@verizon.net. If you would like to be added to the list to receive prayer requests, contact the Coffman's.

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:

Beky Behrend (daughter of Tery and Jim Sarver), Brian Bilski, Darlene Demarr, (aunt of Fran McConnell); Kayley Dirr (granddaughter of Diane King), Donald Early (Nikki Earley's father), Bob Fogle (nephew of Eula Phillips), Chuck Harris (son of Hugh Harris), Mildred Isbell (Sheltering Arms, rehab), Pam Jones and family (on the death of her father, Billy Boyles), Ronnie Justice, **Rachel Kiser** (friend of Mike Collins), Jerry Maier (Kathy Maier's father), 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), Robert Vance (friend of Robbie Robertson), Nancy Voltz (friend of Donna Jenkins), Stuart Watkins, **Lauren Elizabeth Wright** (in NICU in Ringgold, GA, new granddaughter of Jean & Jim Chappell).

Metro Richmond at Prayer for April 12, 2015: We pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: for a spirit of hope, of possibility, of eternal life, and of commitment to the redeeming power of God who brings new life out of death to people and communities.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 12

- 9:00 Connections Worship Service
- 9:45 Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 Traditional Worship Service
- 12:15 Gregory Circle (SH)
- 12:15 Congregational Care (205)
- 1:00 Elmcroft Worship Service
- 2:00 Disciple 1 (205)
- 4:00 Youth Choir
- 4:45 Youth Handbells
- 5:30 Youth & Inukshuks
- 5:30 Confirmation Class (308)
- 7:30 Bells of Providence

Monday, April 13

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 10:30 Providence Retired Club (SH)
- 7:00 Ruritan Board Meeting (309)

Tuesday, April 14

- 10:30 Laughon Circle (205)
- No Bible Study
- 5:00 City Singers Rehearsal (Sanc)
- 6:30 Disciple 4 (205)
- 6:30 Cub & Boy Scouts (SH/3rd Floor)

Wednesday, April 15

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

Thursday, April 16

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

Friday, April 17

- 9:15 Cooks for Christ
- 8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, April 18

- 7:00 City Singers (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

Acolyte:

(11:00) Karrie Ostrum

Greeters:

(9:00) Linda Keery (Ed. Bldg.)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
(11:00) Shirley Collins (Ed. Bldg.)
Nickie Price (Narthex)

Nursery:

(9:00) Jennifer Ostrum
(SS) Barbara Oliver
(11:00) Lindsey Collins

Counters:

Klaus Worrell (captain)
Steve Oliver, Stuart Watkins

Ushers:

(9:00) Bill Blankenship
Wayne Latimer, Doug Sheek
(11:00) Klaus Worrell, Sean Collins
Tony Fleshman, Laurie Breeden
Brad Wootten, Rudy Petrick

Reader:

Zoe Brown

Audio/Media Shout Team:

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

Sanctuary Organizer:

Flora Scott
Jean Winfree

Sign Changer:

Jim DeLap

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Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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