

# *Providence United Methodist Church*

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

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Opening Prayer**

**Singing: "10,000 Reasons"**

**Making Connections**

**A Time with the Children**

**Scripture**

1 John 3:1-7, 17-18

**Message: "It's All About Love"**

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: "Above All"**

"Oh How He Loves You and Me"

**Benediction**

# 2nd Sunday of Easter

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	"Prelude in E-Flat"	C. Hubert H. Parry
+ Call to Worship *		
+ Hymn	"He Touched Me"	UMH #367
Making Connections		

## TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading (UMH 741) *	Psalm 4	Thanks be to God.
+ Hymn	"He Came Down"	FWS #2085

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Second Reading *	1 John 3:1-7, 17-18	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>
Sermon	"It's All About Love"	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	"Amazing Savior"	The Chancel Choir
+ Response *	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	UMH #94
+ Hymn	"O How He Loves You and Me"	FWS #2108
+ Benediction		
+ Postlude	"Toccata in F-Major"	D. Buxtehude

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

All guests, visitors and members (adults and children), **please sign in** on a pew clipboard today and include your contact information. Please continue to sign in each Sunday and especially tell us if you have changes to the personal information that the church maintains.

**TODAY** at 3:00 p.m. the band, **God's Miracles**, will offer a concert at Providence UMC. **God's Miracles** is comprised of students enrolled in the substance abuse program at the New Life for Youth Ranch. Testimonies will be given about how God has changed their lives and released them from the chains of addiction. The concert is free and there will be a meet and greet with light refreshments in the Social Hall afterwards to give everyone a chance to meet, encourage and speak with the students.

Today is **Native American Ministries Sunday** and there is a special offering envelope in the bulletin. Your gifts help provide scholarships for United Methodist Native American seminarians, strengthen and develop Native American ministries and communities, both urban and rural, and support Native American outreach at the annual conference level.

Many of you met **our new Custodian**, Curtis Jones, and his wife, Unetta, last Sunday. We are blessed to have found such an experienced person as Curtis. He retired from Chesterfield County Schools as a Custodian at A. M. Davis Elementary. Please take the opportunity to give Curtis and Unetta a hearty welcome to the Providence family.

Next Saturday, April 21, the GIFT Sunday School Class will be holding a **BBQ chicken** sale (9:30 until sold out!).

- \$6 Half Chicken
- \$2 Baked Beans (\$8 per quart)
- \$1.50 Coleslaw
- \$.50 Soft drinks

To insure availability, please preorder through any member of the GIFT Sunday School Class.

In conjunction with the chicken BBQ, the CSI Sunday School Class will be selling **baked goods**. Pick up some sweets to go with your chicken dinner!

The Elevator and Education Building side doors are manned by a greeter/usher every Sunday morning 8:15 to 11:15 a.m. In order to open doors, we are in need of volunteers. This is a great way to start your day *and* help our members. Our doors are heavy and difficult to keep open especially if you're using a cane, wheelchair or walker when entering. If you are willing to volunteer occasionally, please sign the sign-in sheet today or contact Beverley Brooks at 790-1428 or email [bevbrooks.1952@gmail.com](mailto:bevbrooks.1952@gmail.com).

<b>PUMC Financial Report as of March 31, 2018</b>			
	<b>March</b>	<b>2018 YTD</b>	<b>2017 YTD</b>
Receipts	\$23,141	\$82,871	\$84,866
Disbursements	\$31,038	\$94,301	\$96,326
Net Receipts	(\$7,897)	(\$11,430)	(\$11,459)
Operating Fund	\$45,244		

**The Geraniums are here!** If you ordered any and have not already picked them up, please take a moment today to pick them up. They are located behind the church near the social hall door. Thank you for supporting United Methodist Urban Ministries of Richmond Auxiliary benefiting Shalom Farms.

**Kits for Conference.** During April we will be accepting:

- hand towels (15"x25" to 17"x27"); no kitchen, cleaning or microfiber towels
- bath soap (3 oz. or larger); no Ivory or Jergens due to moisture content)
- metal nail files or nail clippers; no emery boards

Please look at the display board in the narthex for samples of the items needed. In May we will be collecting monetary donations to cover the cost of toothpaste, shipping, adhesive bandages and gallon Ziploc bags to pack everything in. Thanks for all you do!

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.

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**

**April 15, 2018** — We pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: for a spirit of love, cooperation, peace, community, and commitment to all people in God's name.

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

**Our gathered prayer concerns:**

- \* **The family of Ellen Anderson** (family lost brother & mother within a week of each other)
- \* 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

**Our gathered prayer concerns:** (continued)

- \* Louis Burks (stroke on 3/27; husband of Nancy Burks, former music director/organist)
- \* Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)
- \* John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- \* Uldine Curtis
- \* **Sheila Dougherty's family** on the recent loss of her mother
- \* Bob & Fran Fitch
- \* Allison Fuquay (cancer; niece of Robin Jeffrey)
- \* Jill Gueswelle (very good friend of Elizabeth Kyser)
- \* Jennifer Jeffrey (motor cycle accident; sister of Cindy Pagani)
- \* Dot Janutolo (in rehab in Nashville, TN)
- \* Jean (placed on hospice; sister-in-law of Evelyn Hastings)
- \* Earl Jennings (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- \* Joyce (friend of Jane Elbert)
- \* Jack Keery
- \* Linda Keery
- \* Charles King
- \* Diane King (severe back pain)
- \* **Karen King** (surgery 4/9; home, doing well)
- \* Bob Loud (recent cancer diagnosis; cousin of Pat Loud)
- \* Blanca & Jose Mera
- \* Mike Mercatante, Sr.
- \* Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- \* Leigh Middleton
- \* Grace Newman
- \* The family of Henry Pleasants (died 3/27; stepfather of Judy Gindhart)
- \* Anna Catherine Reynolds (infection in bone in leg; granddaughter of Cathy Patterson)
- \* The family of Erma Robins (died on 3/23; funeral on 4/8)
- \* Sheila Scott (cancer)
- \* **Beverly Seal** (hospice; Barbara Blankenship's brother)
- \* Jean Slaven (Barbara Robertson's mother)
- \* Sharon & Bob VanWhy (friends of Peg Martin)
- \* Bobby Wood (Home)

Dear PUMC family,  
Thank you so much for the love and caring I was shown while hospitalized. The cards, meals and visits made it so much more bearable.

Thinking of all of you,  
Bobby Wood

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Sunday, April 15-Native American Ministries

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 1:00 Elmcroft Worship
- 12:00 Trusting in the Covenant (205)
- 3:00 **God's Miracles** Concert (Sanctuary)
- 4:00 God's Miracles Reception (SH)
- 3:30 Girl Scouts (309)
- 5:15 SonRise Sisters
- 5:30 Youth (YH)

## Monday, April 16

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 7:00 Church Council (309)
- 7:00 Ruritans Dinner (SH)

## Tuesday, April 17

- 10:00 GED Classes (309)
- 10:30 Staff Meeting (205)
- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Cubs/Boy Scouts (SH/309)

## Wednesday, April 18

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir (Sanctuary)
- 6:30 Providence Green (SH)

## Thursday, April 19

- 9:30 Prayer Team (L)
- 10:00 GED Classes (309)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 AA (YH)
- 6:30 MIM (Sanc)

## Friday, April 20

- 9:15 Cooks for Christ
- 6:30 CHAMP's (SH)
- 8:00 AA (309)

## Saturday, April 21

- 9:30 BBQ Chicken & Desserts



# 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 Kyle Ostrum

## Greeters:

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

Jim Chappell

## Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Gary Wright (A)  
Tyler Griggs (V)  
11:00 Gary Wright (A)  
Tyler Griggs (V)

## Sanctuary Organizers:

Anna Knight  
(April 1-30)

## Grass Cutters: (Area 2)

April 16—John Bradley

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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:

**Pastor** Derrick Parson  
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## Intern

Isaac Nedd  
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## Music Ministries

**Children's Ministries** Sherry Wright-Jeter  
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## Secretary

Linda Collins  
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## Audio Visual

Tyler Griggs  
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## Custodial Service

Curtis Jones

## Nursery Attendant

Cynthia Liverpool

## Youth Ministries

Mary & Greg Elliott (interim)

## Young Adult Ministries

Terrence Jeter (interim)

## Our Covenant Missionary

Kim King Torres

## Presiding Bishop

Sharma Lewis