Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be Transformed. Make a Difference.

CONNECTIONS 9:00 am

Singing:

Michael Kalson, Contemporary Music Leader

"Happy Day"
"Everyday"
"Redeemed"

"The Greatness of Our God"
Michael Kalson, Solo

"Forgiveness"

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: "Victory In Jesus"

Benediction

7th Sunday of Easter

May 17, 2015 11:00 a.m.

Music Sunday

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude "Prelude on Thaxed" and "Amazing Grace Medley"

Bells of Providence

Opening Prayer

Call To Worship "Good News" Andre J. Thomas

Sunrise Sisters

+ Greeting* From Psalm 108:1-4

Leader: My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast; **People:** I will sing and make melody. Awake, O my soul.

Leader: Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake with the dawn.

People: We will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,

Leader: And we will sing praises to you among the nations.

People: For your steadfast love is higher than the heavens, and your faithfulness

reaches to the clouds.

+ Hymn "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" UMH 158

Musical Offering "Rainbows Dancing" Pam Andrews

JC Jam Children's Choir

TO HEAR THE WORD

+ Psalm Reading Psalm 47 UMH 781 + Response "Heleluyan" UMH 78

Musical Offering

First Reading* Ephesians 1:15-23 **Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn "When In Our Music God is Glorified" UMH 68

Musical Offering "Theme From the Ninth Symphony" arr. F. L. Callahan

Youth Bells

Gospel Reading* Luke 24:44-53 **Thanks be to God.**

Meditation Pastor Mary Beth Blinn

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Musical Offering "Alleluia Canon" W. A. Mozart
Youth Choir

Prayer

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Offertory "Hark! I Hear the Harps Eternal" arr. Mark Hayes

Chancel Choir

+ Response* "Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 94

AND SCATTERS TO BE THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

+ Hymn "There's Within My Heart a Melody" UMH 380

Anthem "We Are God's Church" arr. Mike Speck and Cliff Duren

Chancel Choir; Jane Gilliam, Drums

+ 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" mixed flower seeds.
- Children's age-appropriate activity bulletins, bags and boxes are available in the fover.
- 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 in memory of Kathryn Bradshaw.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, following the 9 am service, a reception is being held to thank **Michael Kalson**, our Contemporary Worship Music Leader, for his service at Providence. God be with you, Michael, as you begin a new ministry!

Thank you to all the singers and instrumentalists of our church, including our Music Director, Margaret Taylor, and Carla Wootten, pianist and choir director for children and youth. God speaks to us through you!

Would you like a 20 minute **tour of the church** with a little history thrown in? Meet Susan Clark today in the Library at one of three different times: 10 am, 10:45, am, or 12:05 pm.

Flip Flops for Branches. Join us this afternoon, 4-5 pm, in the picnic shelter for some summer fun! Bring new pairs of flip flops for the kids at Branches in Florida City and a pair for yourself to decorate! There will be food, drinks, water games, and a prize for the person who donates the most flip flops for Branches.

Our **summer office hours**, June through August, will be Monday through Thursday, 10 am-4 pm. The office will be closed on Fridays.

Learning the order of the **books in the Bible** is a way to feel more comfortable understanding how the Bible was put together. This year we invited the congregation to take 2 minutes a day (while brushing your teeth) to memorize the books in the Old Testament. Our goal for memorizing the New Testament is May 24 (Pentecost Sunday). It is never too late to start! Book marks with the books of the Bible are in the Narthex for you to take home.

The CARITAS truck is here! The UMW and the Missions Committee arranged for the CARITAS truck to be left in our parking lot and it's here through tomorrow (May 18). We want Providence to fill this truck with furniture, kitchen items, household goods and clean linens for families coming out of homelessness

Please do not bring:

- Clothing
- Toys
- Children's items
- Baby equipment
- TV's larger than a table top size
- Appliances

Let us know and we will arrange for your items to be picked up if you can't get them to the church. Contact Brenda Woodward at 745-1259 or brendawoodward1@verizon.net.

Providence has some **trophies from the 1950's—1990's** that we would love for you to have since we have no place to display them. They were earned for basketball, bowling, softball and volleyball. The trophies are on display on the table beside the Chapel, through the end of the day. You are welcome to take any of them that are left.

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. Sign up in the foyer to host a dinner, pack lunches, be an overnight chaperone, take home a bag of laundry to return the next day and come 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.

UMCMarket.org has some (if not all) of your great retailers. Each one donates back to PUMC a portion you spend with them. Examples: Amazon.com—1.5%; Lowe's—2%; Old Navy—5%; and Kohls—3%. Help Providence by shopping at https://www.umcmarket.org/ whenever possible.

Chesterfield County Government and Schools will be holding community meetings to discuss **community revitalization efforts**. These meetings will be held:

- Monday, May 18, 4:30-6:30 p.m., at Providence Middle School. This will be a walk-in workshop, not a formal presentation. You are welcome to attend all or part of the meeting.
- Wednesday, May 20, 6:30 p.m., at Manchester Middle School. This will be a formal presentation meeting with a question/answer session.

Both the refrigerator and freezer downstairs are almost full. If anything in either of them belongs to you or your group, please remove it no later than **Wednesday**, **May 20**, so there will be room for the CARITAS food items.

Thanks, Gracie Martin

The **new church directories** have arrived for everyone! Pick up a copy outside the Library after the worship services today and get to know your church family. Additional copies are \$5.

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 tlcnlc@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:

Brian Bilski, Jim Chappell; Corey Collier (coworker of Linda Keery), Judy Conkle (Jane Elbert's sister), Bob Fogle (nephew of Eula Phillips), Sandra Gordon (friend of Paul Martin), Shirley Hathaway, Mildred Isbell (The Laurels of Willow Creek, rehab), Ronnie Justice, Rachel Kiser (friend of Mike Collins), Jerry Lenhart (nephew of Shirley Collins), Iris Logan (friend of Linda Collins), Patricia Logan-Reilly, Cindy Lowe (niece of Ken and Eula Phillips), Dave Robinson, Jimmy Sculthorpe, Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), Sharon Vanlohy, Stuart Watkins.

Metro Richmond at Prayer for May 17, 2015: We pray for the Churches and religious institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: for all religious communities, abbeys, orders, brotherhoods, sisterhoods, religious societies, and para-church organizations.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS **Prayer Requests** Sunday, May 17 Connections Worship Service 9:00 Reception for Michael Kason I Pray for: Sunday School for all ages 9:45 Traditional Worship Service 11:00 12:15 CAP Meeting (205) Place in Bulletin: Yes / No 12:15 Gregory Circle (SH) Congregational Care (L) 12:15 Specific Request: 2:00 Disciple 1 (205) Flip Flop Party (PS) 4:00 4:00 Youth Choir 4.45 Youth Handbells 5:30 Youth & Inukshuks Meal Needs: Yes / No 5:30 Confirmation Class (308) 7:00 Bells of Providence Transportation Needs: Yes / No Monday, May 18 10:00 Line Dancers (309) Desire Card: Yes / No Ruritan Dinner (SH/PS) 7:00 Tuesday, May 19 Comments: 10:30 Whitt Circle (SH) 11:00 Bible Study (L) 6:30 Boy Scouts (PS/3rd Floor) Wednesday, May 20 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's) I Your Contact Information: 4:00 Surreywood Picnic (PS/SH) 6:30 Providence Court Meeting (Chapel) Name: 6:30 KC Jam Chancel Choir 7.00 Telephone Number: Thursday, May 21 6:15 Men's Bible Study (L) **Email Address:** 6:30 AA Group (205) Ministry in Motion 6:30 Friday, May 22 9:30 Kids World Rehearsal (SH) Drop this sheet in the offering plate or at 5:00 Wedding Rehearsal (Chapel) the church office. 8:00 AA Group (309) Saturday, May 23 To direct an urgent concern for yourself 3:00 Wedding (Chapel) or a family member to our email prayer group, please contact the church office by phone or email.

Those Serving Today

N. Chesterfield, VA 23236-2649

Acolyte:

(11:00) Karrie Ostrum

Greeters:

(9:00) Nikki Earley (Library) Mike Patterson (Narthex)

(11:00) Tracey Kellam (Library) Beverly Evans (Narthex)

Nursery:

9:00) Terra Taylor

SS) Troye Hamilton

(11:00) Shirley Collins

Emily Kyser (Y)

Ron Wootten (captain) Counters:

Janice Bergeron, Bob Johnson

Gracie Martin

Ushers:

(9:00) Bill Blankenship

Neal Fleenor, Ron White

(11:00) Bobby Burton, Meredith Kyser

Tom Koertge, Ed Harper Ralph Vernon, Lori Justice

Reader: Mary Steele Audio/Media Shout Team:

(9:00) Tyler Griggs (A)

Jimmy Sculthorpe (MS)

(11:00) Tyler Griggs (A)

Jimmy Sculthorpe (MS)

Sanctuary Organizer:

Kathleen White

Sign Changer:

Gene Duckworth

Office Hours:

Providence United Methodist Church

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10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. Monday—Thursday

10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m. Friday

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