


# *Providence United Methodist Church*

*Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.*

## **CONNECTIONS—9:00 a.m.**

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Singing:** Shout to the North

**Making Connections  
A Time with the Children**

**Singing:** Shine On Us

**Message:** The Light in the Darkness  
Daniel Burch

**Special Music:** Precious Lord

### **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:** Forever Reign

**Benediction**

# 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

## **THE CHURCH GATHERS**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Here I Am, Lord

Mark Hayes

Greeting *based on Psalm 96*

Leader: O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!

**People: Sing to the Lord, bless God's name; proclaim God's salvation from day to day.**

Leader: Declare the Lord's glory among the nations, the Lord's marvelous works among all the peoples!

**People: For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised, to be feared above all gods.**

Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are idols; but the Lord made the heavens.

**People: Honor and majesty are before the Lord in whose sanctuary are strength and beauty.**

Special Music

Sing to the Lord a New Song  
Chancel Choir

arr. Natalie Sleeth

Prayer

O Lord of all nations, You have revealed your Will to your people and promised your help to us all. Help us to hear You and trust in your Will and that the darkness of our own lives may be overcome by the power of your light given to us by the fire of Pentecost. We pray to You in the name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Redeemer. Amen.

+ Hymn UMH 103

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

ST. DENIO

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Derrick Parson

## TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading UMH 754	Psalm 23 With Sung Responses	Thanks be to God.
Second Reading	2 Corinthians 4:6-12	Thanks be to God.
+ Hymn UMH 206	I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light	HOUSTON
Sermon	The Light in the Darkness	Daniel Burch
Special Music	Precious Lord, Take My Hand Margaret Taylor, Solo	

## TO RESPOND IN FAITH

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.**

Offertory	Sunshine in My Soul	by John R Sweney
+ Response*	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 94
+ Hymn UMH 593	Here I Am, Lord	
+ Benediction Blessing and Charge		
+ Postlude	Standing in the Need of Prayer	arr. Marilyn Thompson

**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.
- **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).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Graduation Sunday** is next Sunday, June 5. Please send the names and schools of our Providence graduates to the church office no later than Wednesday, June 1 ([linda.collins@providenceumc.net](mailto:linda.collins@providenceumc.net)) so they can be recognized next Sunday. Also, please sign the graduation cards on the bulletin board near the water fountain in the hallway. The cards may change each week, so please check again even if you already signed some.

There will be time next week during Sunday School for you to personally recognize our graduates. Refreshments and beverages will be available in the Social Hall from 10:00-10:30 a.m. It is very meaningful to our graduates when their church family shows that they are proud of them too.

**June 4th at 3:30PM our very own Director of Music Ministries will be getting married!** Margaret Taylor and Eric Woods invite all persons from the Providence Congregation and Music Ministry to attend a worship service in celebrating their marriage. The ceremony will take place at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church, located at 1627 Monument Avenue, Richmond VA, 23220. *This invitation is for the ceremony only.*

The **Virginia Annual United Methodist Conference** is meeting soon. There are paper ballot inserts available today for your comments or email your comments Ed Blackwell ([ebblackwe58@gmail.com](mailto:ebblackwe58@gmail.com)). There are a few paper copies of the resolutions in the narthex if you do not have a computer and would like to read them.

The first grade teachers at A. M. Davis Elementary School need volunteers to listen to students read. If you are interested, please contact Ms. Jan Rogers, the reading specialist (804-674-1310 or [Jan\\_Rogers@ccpsnet.net](mailto:Jan_Rogers@ccpsnet.net)).

Please join us on Sunday, June 19, during the Sunday school hour as our **Prayer Caravan** gathers as a Body of Christ and ventures into our surrounding communities to pray for our neighbors. Each class can carpool together, or with other church members, and drive through neighborhoods as the Lord leads you and stop when you feel led to pray for that area. Someone can pray aloud or there can be a few minutes of silent prayer for physical healing, spiritual healing, the lifting of emotional burdens or financial healing of those living in that area. We must continue to pray for our neighbors in church; but we must also go to where they are and ask God to bless them in the areas of need that only He knows.

### Looking Ahead with the YOUTH!

June

- 5 **Graduation Sunday**
- 12 **Special Olympics Sunday** with party at the Youth House afterwards
- 12 **Breakfast Biscuit sale** to benefit youth mission trip
- 19 **Father's Day** — No Youth or Inukshuks
- 25 **Kingsfest** at Kings Dominion

**He who doesn't look ahead, remains behind.**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! **CREATIVE ARTS AT PROVIDENCE** will be held July 25-29, 6:00-8:00 p.m. Our theme this year is "God's Creation." Dinner will be provided for free at 5:30 p.m. in the social hall. You can register by grabbing a paper registration located in the narthex or outside of the church office or online at <http://www.providenceumc.net/>. SIGN UP TODAY! Space is limited.

Reminder: The **Church Office will be closed** tomorrow, May 30, in observance of Memorial Day.

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

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](mailto: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:**

Jessica Ammon	Wayne Lee
Hunter Blankenship	Bob Muchow
Jennifer Collins	Megan Thomas
Matt Latimer	

**Our gathered prayer concerns:**

Ruby Agee (Brandermill Woods), Virginia Anderson (Laurels of Bon Air), Bill (in ICU at St. Mary's, nephew of Betty-Anne Roberson), Carolyn Bowman (Laurels of Bon Air), Gil Bowman (Elmcroft), Jason Davies, Jim & Laura DeLap, Charles Elbert (Jane Elbert's father), Kimberly Evancoe, Luke Evancoe, Ryan Evancoe, **the family of Jerry Forte** (died 5/20, brother of Mark Forte), Scott Hueston (friend of the Collins family), Rosie Hughes (cancer, friend

of Sharon Harris), Ronnie Justice, Tracey Kellam (surgery scheduled for 6/6), Tristen Kellam, Diane King (home), the family of Cindy Lowe (battling cancer, niece of Eula Phillips), Jean Mannering (Bill Mannering's mother), Betty Jo Marvin (sister of Shirley Collins), Bill Newman (cousin of Bill Parsons), Judy Pleasants (cancer, friend of Sharon Harris), the family of Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), Wayne Smith, Barbara Sutton (Brookdale), Stuart Watkins (Sunrise), James Yeatts.

### **Metro Richmond at Prayer for May 29, 2016:**

We pray for the churches and religious institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: for a spirit of unity, mutuality, cooperation, reconciliation, reform, and common ministry among the Christian community.

**Deadline for kits is NEXT Sunday, June 5.**

### **Health Kits for Conference**

- **1 hand towel** (15"x25" to 17"x 27") (kitchen cleaning & microfiber towels NOT acceptable)
- **1 wash cloth**
- **1 comb** (needs to be sturdy) (NO pocket combs or picks, rattail combs, or combs without handles are acceptable)
- **1 metal nail file or clipper** (NO emery boards)
- **6 adhesive bandages** (3/4" to 1") (all brands are acceptable)
- **1 bath soap** (3 oz. or larger) (all brands acceptable, DO NOT remove from original packaging)
- **1 toothbrush** (adult size) (DO NOT remove from original packaging)
- **1 plastic gallon size bag** (re-sealable bags only)
- **\$1.00** to purchase toothpaste

Assembly: Lay out the hand towel flat on a table. Lay the washcloth flat in the center of the hand towel. Place all remaining items on top of the wash cloth. Fold over the sides of the hand towel so that it covers all of the items. Grasp the bundle of items tightly and roll over the remainder of the hand towel tightly. Place the bundle in the plastic bag and seal the bag. Toothpaste money, along with \$1.00 per kit for shipping should be turned in to our church treasurer who will forward the monies to the Virginia Conference.

Full lists for all the kits can be found at:

<http://www.umcor.org/umcor/relief-supplies>

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, May 29

- 9:00 Connections
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 10:00 Recognition of Daniel Burch
- 11:00 Traditional Worship
- 4:00 Girl Scouts (309)

***Youth Choirs will resume in the fall***  
***Adult Handbells will resume in the fall***

### Monday, May 30

Office Closed—No Church Activities

### Tuesday, May 31

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Boy/Cub Scouts (SH/309)
- 6:30 CAP Committee Meeting
- 7:30 Young Adults (dinner)

### Wednesday, June 1

- 7:30 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
  - 1:00 Visitation Team (L)
- Chancel Choir will resume June 19th***

### Thursday, June 2

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 5:45 Ministry in Motion
- 6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 AA Group (205)

### Friday, June 3

- 8:00 AA Group (309)

### Saturday, June 4

- 8:00 Meeting/Paul Martin (205)

## 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 Carolyn Bilski (Library)  
Mike Patterson (Narthex)  
11:00 (Library)  
(Narthex)

### Nursery:

9:00 Barbara Oliver  
SS Wendy Collins  
11:00 Carol Urso / Wendy Collins

### Counters:

Jimmy Sculthorpe (captain)  
Paul Martin, Hugh Miles

### 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 Lou Branson

### Audio/Visual Team:

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

### Sanctuary Organizers: (5/2-5/29)

Penny Duckworth

### Grass Cutter:

**May 30 week**  
Jimmy Sculthorpe (Area 2)

Portions of our service may be recorded.

CCLI License #1495687  
CCVLI License #502817990

Providence United Methodist Church  
901 S. Providence Road  
N. Chesterfield, VA 23236-2649

### Office Hours:

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

### Contact us at:

Church Telephone: (804) 276-4289  
Fax Number: (804) 745-2501  
Website: [www.providenceumc.net](http://www.providenceumc.net)  
E-mail: [providenceumc@providenceumc.net](mailto:providenceumc@providenceumc.net)  
Wi-Fi Connection Password [praisegod1](#)

### Church Staff:

**Pastor** Derrick Parson (ext. 201)  
[Derrick.Parson@providenceumc.net](mailto:Derrick.Parson@providenceumc.net)

**Young Adult Ministries** Daniel Burch  
[Daniel.Burch@upsem.edu](mailto:Daniel.Burch@upsem.edu)

**Music Ministries** Margaret Taylor (ext. 207)  
[M.E.Taylor003@gmail.com](mailto:M.E.Taylor003@gmail.com)

**Secretary** Linda Collins (ext. 203)  
[Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net](mailto:Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net)

**Audio Visual** Tyler Griggs  
[Tgriggs87@gmail.com](mailto:Tgriggs87@gmail.com)

### Children's Ministries

### Youth Ministries

**Custodial Service** Bill Duganne

**Nursery Attendant** Cynthia Liverpool

**Our Covenant Missionary** Kim King Torres