Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be Transformed. 🦋 Make a Difference.

9th Sunday after Pentecost CONNECTIONS 9:00AM

Call to Worship
Singing:
Come Now is the Time to Worship

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Singing:

I Could Sing of Your Love Forever

Scripture: II Kings 2:1-14

Message: An Everlasting Love!

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:

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Benediction

9th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00AM

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude The God of Abraham Praise Mark Hayes

+ Call to Worship*

Leader: No one has ever seen God.

People: If we love one another, God lives in us,
All: And His love is perfected in each one of us!

+ Hymn UMH 127 Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah CWM Rhondda

TO HEAR THE WORD

A Time with the Children

Prayer of Illumination* Prayer for a New Heart UMH 392

Thou who are over us, Thou who are one of us, thou who are: Give me a pure heart, that I may see thee; a humble heart that I may hear thee; a heart of love, that I may serve thee; a heart of faith, that I may abide in thee. Amen.

First Reading* Ruth 1:15-18 Thanks be to God.

+ Hymn UMH 419 I Am Thine, O Lord I Am Thine

Second Reading* II Kings 2:1-14 Thanks be to God.

Sermon An Everlasting Love! Pastor Derrick Parson

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Prayer

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Offertory	ry O God, Our Help in Ages Past Meredith Kyser, Cello	Peter Blaire
+ Response*	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 94
+ Hymn FWS 2223	They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love	St. Brendan's

+ Benediction Response UMH 420

Breathe on Me, Breath of God

+ 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 are glad you are here!

- Pick up a welcome gift in the foyer—Our "<u>Join the Mix</u>" 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).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARY Christmas! The annual **Women's Retreat** with a potluck dinner will be Saturday, August 8, 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., at Lake Braxton in Richmond. This one-day retreat focuses on the life of Jesus' mother, Mary. She was given a frightening challenge, but she immediately said yes. The retreat will also focus on our responses to God and how we can respond like Mary. You do not need to be a part of the United Methodist Women to attend. If you are interested in attending, please sign the sign-in sheet today. Registration forms are available in the red folder beside the United Methodist Women's bulletin board. The registration form and \$5 fee are due by August 1, and may be given to Marilyn Bell, Tracey Kellam, or Pat Loud. If you have questions, contact Tracey at 869-3439 or Pat at 763-3792.

Needlepoint Kneelers Update! Our canvasses for the needlepoint kneelers in the chapel are here and we are ready to begin! However, we need a couple more experienced people to help in this project. If you are interested, please call Mary Ann Walton, 745-2513.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! If you would like to help with **Creative Arts at Providence** please sign up using the clip boards or by signing your name on the bulletin board, located outside of the sanctuary by the water fountain. We are in need of counselors to lead the children to and from activities. We are also in need of a few more volunteers to provide dinner. Call Amy Palmer at 916-0148 if you can help with dinner.

Creative Arts at Providence (CAP) for 2015 will run August 3-7. Join us in learning God's word through Drama, Art, and Music! Our theme this year is "The Body of Christ!" CAP is open to rising K-6th graders. Dinner for kids will be available at 5:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday nights. Our program begins each night at 6:00 p.m. and will run through 8:00 p.m. On Friday, August 7, we will have a Family Fun Night where kids will invite their parents to join us for food, games and fun. Our week will culminate with a children's presentation on Sunday, August 9, during the 11:00 a.m. worship service. Please direct questions to creativeartsatprovidence@gmail.com.

Our **Upward Soccer** season is rapidly approaching and registration is already open (**register online**). Practices are on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning August 25 or 27. Games are on Saturdays and begin September 5 and end November 14. If you would like to volunteer to help or need more information, put your name on the sign-in sheet today or email

Jennifer Clemmons at **upwardpumc@gmail.com**. Someone will contact

you.

Homeward's Summer Point in Time Homeless Count is July 30. We are collecting clothing and are especially in need of men's underwear, socks, shorts, jeans, T-shirts, tennis shoes, work boots, ball caps, individual snacks, sunscreen and bug repellent. If you can help with any of these items, please leave them in the tub on the second floor near the elevator before Wednesday, July 29.

The Youth group will meet every Sunday night through August for a **Teen Neighborhood Block Party** with different themes each week. Expect food, games, glow parties, water games, life size game night, and some surprises. Bring a friend or meet one here! Meet in the Youth House next to the church, Sunday nights, 5:30-7:30. If you have questions, email Susan Clark at: **susan.clark@providenceumc.net**.

CCHASM (Chesterfield Colonial Heights Alliance for Social Ministry) is a community resource that provides assistance to people in need. Their mission is to provide food, financial assistance, and career clothing to area residents who have experienced, or are experiencing, an emergency situation which threatens their survival needs. It is easy for the people of Providence to assist CCHASM in their ministry simply by bringing food. If you find a good sale and are able, please buy a little extra for CCHASM. Bring it to church and put it in the tub near the elevator on the second floor and it will be taken to CCHASM for you. Our assistance is needed and greatly appreciated.

You can help fund the programs of Providence UMC by shopping on **UMCmarket.org**. There are many major retailers who donate a percentage of the money you spend with them to our church. Go to **UMCMarket** to sign up or to begin shopping.

Support Our Softball team! The remaining games for the Providence Softball Team are:



<u>July 31</u>

7:30 & 8:30 p.m., Ironbridge Field #8

August 7

7:30 & 9:00 p.m., Ironbridge Field #9

Love to shop the "back to school" sales? Then we have a project for you! Students at A. M. Davis Elementary could use extra school supplies. There is a pressing need for:

- Ziploc bags
- Crayons
- Scissors
- Glue Sticks
- Tissues
- Pencils

- Solid Colored Folders
- Headphones
- Markers
- Dry-Erase Markers
- Marble Notebooks

If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Collins (mrscollins17@aol.com, 276-2418). A copy of the complete school list is also on the church website (http://www.providenceumc.net/).

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**. 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: Hunter Blankenship, Megan Thomas Clark, Jennifer Collins, Matt Latimer, Wayne Lee

Our gathered prayer concerns:

Brian Bilski, **Shirley Collins**, **Linda Downey**, Bob Fogle (nephew of Eula Phillips), Mary Carolyn Gwinn (friend of Judy Miles), Shirley Hathaway, Mildred Isbell, **Norma Kidd** (Johnston Willis), Jerry Lenhart (nephew of Shirley Collins), Patricia Logan-Reilly (needs a new heart), **Kim Mauney** (friend of Cheran Salvaggio), **Betty-Anne Roberson**, Iris Ryder (sister of Mae Clarke and Uldine Curtis), Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), Carolyn Sharp and her family (on the death of her brother, Garland Sharp, on July 12), Billy Walton and his family (on the death of his brother, John Walton, on July 13, in O-Fallon, MO), Stuart Watkins, James Yeatts

Metro Richmond at Prayer for July 26, 2015: We pray for governments and governing bodies of Metropolitan Richmond: for the Supervisors of Henrico County, the County Administrator, and all county employees; and for the Supervisors of Hanover County, the County Administrator, and all county employees.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, July 26

9:00 Connections Worship Service
9:45 Sunday School for all ages
11:00 Traditional Worship Service
5:30 Teen Neighborhood Block Party

Monday, July 27

10:00 Line Dancers (309) 6:30 Trustees Meeting (L)

Tuesday, July 28

10:00 ESOL Classes (205) 10:00 Needlepoint Group (L) 11:00 Bible Study (L)

6:30 Boy Scouts (PS/3rd Floor)

Wednesday, July 29

Thursday, July 30

Homeward's Homeless Count

10:00 ESOL Classes (205)

6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)

6:30 AA Group (309)

6:30 Ministry in Motion

Friday, July 31—Church Office Closed

7:30 & 8:30 p.m. (Ironbridge #8)

8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, August 1

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:		

Drop this sheet in the offering plate or at the church office.

Email Address:

! 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

Emily Kyser 11:00 Hailey Davis

Greeters:

Acolyte:

9:00 Carolyn Bilski (Library) Mike Patterson (Narthex)

11:00 Carolyn Sharp (Library) Judy Miles (Narthex)

Nursery:

9:00 Lindsey Garrison Emma McConnell (Y)

Wendy Collins SS

Lindsey Collins/Wendy Collins 11:00 Jimmy Sculthorpe (captain) Counters:

Paul Martin. Hugh Miles

Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship

Wayne Latimer, Doug Sheek

Klaus Worrell 11:00

Sean Collins, Tony Fleshman Laurie Breeden, Brad Wootten

Rudy Petrick

Reader: **Hugh Harris** Audio/Media Shout Team:

> Gary Wright (A) 9:00

Steve Oliver (MS) Gary Wright (A) 11:00

Steve Oliver (MS)

Sanctuary Organizer:

Elizabeth & Meredith Kyser

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