

# *Providence United Methodist Church*

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

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Singing:** Rock of Ages

**Making Connections**

**A Time with the Children**

**Singing:** How Great Is Our God

**Scripture**

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-672

**Message:** "Look With the Eyes of Faith"  
Rev. 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:** I Walk by Faith

**Benediction**

# Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

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

*Great Is Thy Faithfulness*

arr. Cindy Berry

+ Call to Worship

Leader: Let all who would seek to walk by faith, gather us this day for worship.

**People: God knows our every need and hears every whisper from our hearts.**

Leader: The Lord calls us to walk by faith even amid a doubting world.

**People: And great are the rewards of faith as life becomes full and real.**

Leader: Then let us walk by faith and lift our voices together in praise!

**ALL: Blessed be the Name of the Lord!**

+ Hymn

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

UMH #158

+ Opening Prayer

Making Connections

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July 9, 2017

## TO HEAR THE WORD

Children's Time		Sherry Wright-Jeter
First Reading	Psalm 45:10-17	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>
+ Hymn	<i>Holy, Holy</i>	FWS #2039
Second Reading *	Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>
Sermon	"Look with the Eyes of Faith"	Rev. Derrick Parson

### Prayer

#### The Lord's Prayer

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## TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offertory	<i>River in Judea</i> Erica Fleenor & Allison Stowers	Duet
+ Response *	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 94
+ Hymn	<i>Trust and Obey</i>	UMHG #467
Reception of New Members		John and Karen Duncan
+ Benediction		
+ Postlude		

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God and in recognition of Rebecca Pega's birthday.

The flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in honor of the 25th Wedding Anniversary of Jack and Linda Keery.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The **Get In the Habit of signing in on the clipboard** contest. The contest will run for July, August and September. Eligible people are ALL signers (first-time guests, frequent visitors, long-time members, children and adults) or basically everyone who signs in. At the end of each month, a name will be drawn from those who signed in at each service and a gift card will be awarded. Please include your contact information (name, phone number, address or email) and let us know if any of your information has changed so we can update our church records, too.

**Hand Bell Exploration Day:** A Saturday for teens and adults to learn more about the art of ringing hand bells. No commitment is necessary! No previous music knowledge or training is required! Anyone who can count to four is in! Date to be determined. Please sign up on the Sign-In Sheet today if you are interested.

**The "Who-So-Ever-Will" Choir:** Made their debut last Sunday and it was great fun! Can't commit to a weekly choir schedule? No problem! Everyone will still have opportunities to come forward during the 11:00 a.m. traditional service to sing a very familiar hymn. No strings attached — no rehearsals — just "impromptu fun"! Watch the mid-week updates for advance notice.

**Ministry In Motion (MIM) Call:** Would you like to know more about becoming part of MIM (vocalists, guitarists, bass players, keyboardists, percussionists, etc.)? If so, please sign up on the Sign-In Sheet today. If you would like to know more about any of the above opportunities call Allison Stowers (276-4289, ext. 207) or email her at [Allison.Stowers@providenceumc.net](mailto:Allison.Stowers@providenceumc.net).

PUMC has an **urgent need for additional acolytes.** Training and mentoring by our veteran acolytes will be provided to those who would like to assist the worship leaders at the 11:00 a.m. service. If you are 10 or older and are interested in becoming an acolyte at PUMC, please sign-up on the Sign-In Sheets today.

The **Upward Soccer** season is just around the corner! Practices will begin the end of August but we need to start recruiting players now. If you would like some informational brochures or a few advertising posters to hang around the community, let Sean Collins or the church office know. Online registration is open. Go to the PUMC website and click **UPWARD** on the top line.

**Upward Soccer needs you!** Please consider being a part of the Upward program at PUMC. There are forms in the narthex that you can complete to indicate your interest in assisting. Complete the form and put it in the offering plate or drop it off in the Upward Soccer mail box in the hallway near the office. The office will get the forms to Sean Collins.

**CHAMPs will be taking a summer break during July.** There will be no Wednesday CHAMPs or Music Jams. Their schedule will resume in August.

## Creative Arts @ PUMC

We are preparing for a fun-filled CAP Camp where we take children Around the World, to five different continents. Do you have items from other countries that we can borrow for decorations? Please bring items to the Social Hall stage by Saturday, July 15. Label them with your name and we will be sure you get them back after Friday, July 21. We also need several bandanas and one large jump rope (or any sturdy rope). Thank you so much!

Sherry Wright-Jeter

**CAP** is our unique version of vacation Bible school for rising K-rising 6th grade. We have Music, Art and Drama stations where they learn about their nightly Bible verse in fun and creative ways. This year the theme is "Around the World" and it will be July 17-21, 5:30-8:00 p.m.

We are beginning **VOLUNTEER Sign-Ups** for **CAP**. Areas needing volunteers:

- dinner/kitchen clean-up
- assisting at stations
- group leaders
- set-up/decorating & take-down

Even if you can't help every night, we still need you! Don't miss out on the opportunity to be involved with what has become a staple in this community. Email Sherry Jeter at [sherry.jeter@providenceumc.net](mailto:sherry.jeter@providenceumc.net) or [sign-up on the Sign-In Sheet today](#) if you would like to volunteer.

Online registration for CAP is available on our website (<http://www.providenceumc.net/>). Click **CAP** on the top line.

The Youth need more parents and families to sign up to bring snacks for their Youth sessions.

Go to: <http://www.takethemameal.com/>. Scroll down to **FIND**. The name is **youth** and the password is **youthcrew**.

The Chesterfield Ruritans have **Brunswick Stew** (frozen) and are selling it for \$4 per container. What a deal, even during the summer! If you're interested in some stew, contact John Hancock, 804-276-5178 and leave a detailed message if no answer.

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring hygiene bags for female prisoners in Fluvanna Correctional Facility. These bags are distributed at Christmas to 1,300 women. Please help us to make the holidays a little brighter for these women. There is a collection basket near the church entrance marked "Grace Inside" for these items. If you prefer to make a monetary donation towards the purchase of the gift items, please make your checks payable to "United Methodist Women" with a note for Grace Inside. We will be collecting different items each month and reminders will be in the bulletin or sent in the mid-week updates.

July **Shampoo** bottles (no larger than 15 ounces)

Aug. **Toothpaste** (no larger than 6 ounces)

Sept. **Wooden Pencils**, unsharpened or **Lotion** in bottle (no larger than 15 ounces)

Thank you for your help.

Jane Elbert, President, UMW

The **Cemetery Committee** is offering grave sites on the Memorial Walk for those who wish to be cremated. Sites will accommodate two (2) cremains and include a headstone. Two bronze plaques can be placed on the stone. The cost is \$1,200 per site. For questions, contact Bill

Walton at 804-334-6777 or by email at [bill.walton@longandfoster.com](mailto:bill.walton@longandfoster.com).

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

### Pray for Governments and Governing Bodies of Metropolitan Richmond.

**July 9, 2017:** We pray for the governments and governing bodies of Metropolitan Richmond: for the Boards of Supervisors, Councils, Administrators, and employees of Charles City, Goochland, New Kent, Powhatan, Ashland, Petersburg and Hopewell.

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	Jennifer Collins
John Harper	Matt Latimer
Wayne Lee	Megan Thomas

### Our gathered prayer concerns:

- \* Dot Ashburn
- \* **Nan Blackwell** (JW)
- \* Dru Blalock (cancer; sister-in-law of Catherine Milholen)
- \* Lois Butler (mother of Brenda Woodward)
- \* Nancy Carney (cancer; sister of Jim McConnell)

- \* **Jean Guthrow Chandler** (broken hip; friend of Wayne Smith & Linda Collins)
- \* Jim DeLap
- \* Bob & Fran Fitch
- \* Emma Fleenor
- \* Erica & Melody Fleenor
- \* Samuel Ford
- \* Kathy Gardner (cancer; sister of Tracey Kellam)
- \* Bob Gillie
- \* Jill Gusewelle (friend of the Kysers)
- \* Diane Howard (daughter of Jim & Laura DeLap)
- \* Dot Janutolo
- \* Earl Jennings (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- \* Barbara & Lonnie Jones, parents of Nate who recently died (blessed friends of Robin & Jimmy Sculthorpe)
- \* Shirley Jones (broken ankle)
- \* Carl Lunsford (stroke; friend of Catherine Milholen)
- \* The family of Mike Mercer (died 6/4; brother-in-law of Wayne Smith)
- \* Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- \* Grey Morris (home)
- \* Bill Newman (cousin of Bill Parsons)
- \* Karen Nowak (Linda Keery's sister)
- \* Miss Oppielee (battling cancer; friend of Peg & Bill Mannering)
- \* Robert Owens (cancer, friend of Dave Robinson)
- \* Nickie Price
- \* Christine Roberson (spinal surgery, 6/30; address: 1801 Walkerton Rd., N. Chesterfield, VA 23236)
- \* Russell Shreve (surgery on legs; father of Julie Fleshman)
- \* Jean Slaven (Barbara Robertson's mother)
- \* Bill Steele
- \* Mary Ellen Tyree (mother of Jeanie Ezell Southers)
- \* Frank Wilderson (heart surgery, 6/27; brother of Althea Armstrong)
- \* Margaret Woods (sinus surgery)
- \* Brenda Woodward & Doug Sheek
- \* Jim Yeatts

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, July 9

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Worship
- 12:15 Child Protection Training (L)
- 12:30 Youth Planning Day (SH)
- 4:00 Girl Scouts (309)
- 5:30 Inukshuks & Youth

### Monday, July 10

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 7:00 Ruritan Board Meeting (309)

### Tuesday, July 11

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Scouts (PS/SH)
- 7:00 Young Adults

### Wednesday, July 12

### Thursday, July 13

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 11:00 Knitters & Crocheters (205)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:00 Starlighters (SH)
- 6:30 MIM
- 6:30 AA Group (205)

### Friday, July 14

- 8:00 AA Group (309)
- CAP Set-Up

### Saturday, July 15

- CAP Set-Up

## Prayer Requests

Pray for:

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Place in Bulletin: Yes / No

Specific Request:

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Meal Needs: Yes / No

Transportation Needs: Yes / No

Desire Card: Yes / No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Contact Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address:

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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 Meredith Kyser

### Greeters:

9:00 Anna Knight (Library)  
Mike Patterson (Narthex)  
11:00 Jean Riekers (Library)  
(Narthex)

### Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship  
Wayne Latimer, Doug Sheek  
11:00 Klaus Worrell  
Sean Collins, Tony Fleshman  
Laurie Breeden

### Nursery:

9:00 Pam Asbury  
SS Barbara Oliver  
11:00 Kathy Alred & Meredith Kyser

### Counters:

Ron Wootten (captain)  
Janice Bergeron, Gracie Martin

### Reader:

Carolyn Bowman

### Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 (A)  
(V)  
11:00 (A)  
(V)

### Sanctuary Organizers:

Anna Knight (July 1-31)

### Grass Cutter:

Area 2 Steve Reese  
(Week July 10)

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### Office Hours:

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

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**Nursery Attendant** Cynthia Liverpool  
**Our Covenant Missionary** Kim King Torres  
**Presiding Bishop** Sharma Lewis