


# *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**  
Sherry Jeter

**Singing:** In the Secret

**Scripture:** Hebrews 11:28-12:2

**Message:** Faith Put Into Action  
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:** Soon and Very Soon

### **Benediction**

# 13th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

## **THE CHURCH GATHERS**

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Wondrous Love

arr. D. N. Johnson

+ Call to Worship

**Leader:** God has called us like Moses in the wilderness, the prophets in the hills, and the disciples in the cities. They shared their blessings so that we might know God's presence here.

**People:** **Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely.**

**ALL:** **Let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.**

+ Opening Prayer

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. We come convinced of many things but trusting very few. Holy God of limitless surprises, meet us here in this place as we touch that which we cannot see, that which we have not dared to hope. Amen.

+ Hymn UMH 707

Hymn of Promise

PROMISE

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Sherry Jeter

## **TO HEAR THE WORD**

First Reading UMH 806

Isaiah 5:1-7

**Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn FWS 2196

We Walk by Faith

MARTYRDOM

Second Reading	Hebrews 11:28-12:2	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>
Sermon	Faith Put Into Action	Rev. Derrick Parson
Special Music	Great Is Thy Faithfulness Ashley Kiper, Guest Soloist	arr. Lloyd Larson

### **TO RESPOND IN FAITH**

Offertory	When in the Hour of Utmost Need	J. S. Bach
+ Response*	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 94
+ Hymn UMH 706	Soon and Very Soon	VERY SOON
+ Benediction		
+ Postlude	Soon and Very Soon	Jack Schrader

**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!**

- Please 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).

**The flowers on the altar** today are given to the glory of God by Marlene and Boyd Gurney.

**The flowers on the altar** today are given to the glory of God by Jean Chappell in celebration of Jim and Jean's 46th wedding anniversary.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Janet Watts is an on-call occupational therapist, piano teacher and organist. She has studied piano since childhood and the organ since her teens, pursuing these interests in college, and after college with local teachers. Janet has substituted in Richmond area churches over the years, was part-time staff organist at Battery Park Christian Church for 9 years, served as 3-month substitute for Steve Henley at Bon Air Presbyterian Church and for 4 months at St. John's Episcopal Church as Interim Organist. She is Emeritus Associate Professor of Occupational Therapy and is Gram Jan to her 4 grandchildren. Please welcome her to Providence.

**Upward Soccer** onsite registrations and evaluations were yesterday but online registration is still available on the church's website and registration forms are available in several places around the church. Please be in prayer for a successful Upward season and for everyone involved. A list of some suggested prayers is in the August newsletter.

The CSI Sunday School class is beginning a new study this week. "**Friendship: Growing Side by Side**" by Carolyn Nystrom. It's a good study and it will be an opportunity to share everyone's insight on the scriptures that will be reviewed. If you haven't been to a class in a while, this is a good time to return. You are more than welcome to bring a friend with you. We have 12 books but would be delighted to get more if needed. We meet in room 206.

The **Nominations Committee** will meet in the Library on Tuesday, August 16, at 7:00 p.m. This is an important meeting. Please let the church office know if you are unable to attend.

Please take a moment to read the **Children's Ministries** insert in the bulletin today. There will be an information-gathering/sharing meeting in the Social Hall after the 11:00 a.m. worship service on August 28. Families who have children who will be part of our Children's Ministries are invited. Members who would like to work with the Children's Ministries are also invited. If you are neither but might like to be part of Children's Ministries, you're invited too. If you have other questions please call or text Sherry Wright-Jeter at 804-382-9398. In addition, please sign the sign-in sheet today so we can get a headcount for lunch.

Interested in learning more about Mission? The Conference is hosting a 5-Talent Academy training session titled: **Equipping People for Ministry Outside the Walls of the Church**. The event will take place at Woodlake UMC on Tuesday, October 5, 9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m. The cost of the event is \$25 which includes lunch.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Linda Collins at 276-4289 or by email: [Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net](mailto:Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net).

The Worship Committee would like **Communion Sunday Volunteers** who can assist with communion. You would need to arrive 15-minutes before the service to set up and stay a few minutes afterwards to clean up. If you would like to assist in this or have any questions, please call Linda Koertge at 305-7496 or add your name to the [sign-in sheet](#) today. If you would like to assist with serving, sign up here too (just include serve with your name) and someone will contact you. Training will be provided for both of these opportunities.

Do you love to shop the **Back-to-School sales**? Do you miss buying school supplies for your children? Do we have a job for YOU! August is School Supply month for students at A. M. Davis Elementary School. We are in partnership with our neighborhood elementary school and these supplies are always greatly appreciated. Check the church website for the school supply list, or pick one up at church, and “shop till you drop”.

Summer School is in session and the 2016-17 school year begins in about one month. If you would like to help support our backpack ministry, contributions can be made to the church, with “A. M. Davis” written on the memo line of your check. Twelve dollars (\$12) will pay for one child’s food for one weekend. If you have questions, contact Wendy Collins by email at: [MrsCollins17@aol.com](mailto:MrsCollins17@aol.com) or by phone at: 276-2418.

## **YOUTH:** Important Dates

8/14 Field Trip to Maymont  
8/15 Youth Meeting  
8/28 Back to School Pool Party  
9/4 No Youth (Labor Day weekend)

Do you know someone in our congregation who is unable to attend church, who might like to have a visit and receive communion? If so, please call Jane Elbert (675-0534) or email her at: [janeelbertquilts@gmail.com](mailto:janeelbertquilts@gmail.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**

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 [nlctlc73@gmail.com](mailto:nlctlc73@gmail.com). 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	Harrison Bailey
Hunter Blankenship	Michael Bucholz
Jennifer Collins	Matt Latimer
Wayne Lee	Bob Muchow
Megan Thomas	

**Our gathered prayer concerns:**

**Upward Soccer**, Lisa Atkinson (friend of Cheran Salvaggio), Marilyn Bell, Gil Bowman (Elmcroft), the family of Helen Brown (died 7/10), Ashley Burton (mission trip in Niger, Africa), Nancy Carney (battling cancer, sister of Jim McConnell), Mae Clarke, Emma Fleenor, Brenda Hair (battling throat cancer), the family of Mary Harris (mother of Hugh Harris, who died 7/26), Sharon Harris, Ann Hobbs (battling cancer, friend of Dave Robinson), Scott Hueston (friend of the Collins family), Myrtle & T.L. Jenkins (at Spring Arbor-Salisbury, room 107), Ronnie Justice, Tracey Kellam, Tristen Kellam, Carl Lunsford (neighbor of Catherine Milholen), Ken Matthews, Ron Moyer, Bill Newman (cousin of Bill Parsons), Judy Pleasants (cancer, friend of Sharon Harris), Erma Robins (Sunrise), Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), Wayne Smith, Barbara Sutton (Brookdale), **the family of Allen Todd** (aka Todd, former member of PUMC, who died suddenly on 8/10), Stuart Watkins (Sunrise), James Yeatts.

**Metro Richmond at Prayer for August 14, 2016:** We pray for the workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: for financial institutions, healthy and constructive investment policies, and effective development efforts to benefit the entire community.

The Chesterfield Ruritan Club would like to say THANK YOU to those Providence UMC members who came and supported our fundraiser dinner on July 20. Your attendance made it a success and you also helped local youth to attend camp earlier in July. The Ruritan motto is: "Fellowship, Good Will, and Community Service" and gatherings such as our fundraising dinners are always filled with good fellowship, good food, good will, and help us to do good community service.

Thank you again for helping us "serve our community". Be on the lookout for another such event in the fall and we hope you can again give "your community" your support.

Sharon and Hugh Harris want to thank our Providence Church family for your prayers and support during Sharon's recent hospitalization, and after the death of Hugh's mother. We truly felt your prayers with us and they made a difference. Blessings to all in Christ.

Hugh & Sharon Harris

Linda Collins wishes to apologize to the Gurney's. She forgot to order the flowers for the altar for last Sunday, August 7. She also wishes to thank them for their understanding and for being so nice about her mistake.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sunday, August 14

9:00 Connections  
9:45 Sunday School  
11:00 Traditional Worship  
4:00 Girl Scouts (309)  
5:30 Youth & Inukshuks  
Youth Field trip to Maymont  
*Youth Choirs will resume in the fall*  
*Adult Handbells will resume in the fall*

### Monday, August 15

10:00 Line Dancers  
7:00 Ruritan Dinner Meeting (SH)  
7:00 Church Council (309)

### Tuesday, August 16

11:00 Bible Study (L)  
6:30 Boy Scouts (Picnic Shelter)  
7:00 Nominations Committee (L)  
7:00 Young Adults

### Wednesday, August 17

7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)  
*Chancel Choir will resume in September*

### Thursday, August 18

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

### Friday, August 19

9:15 Cooks for Christ  
8:00 AA Group (309)

### Saturday, August 20

## 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 Cole Holland

### Greeters:

9:00 Shirley Collins (Library)  
Mike Patterson (Narthex)  
11:00 Allen Branson (Library)  
Mary Lou Branson (Narthex)

### Nursery:

9:00 Jennifer Clemmons  
SS Barbara Oliver  
11:00 Kathy Alred

### Counters:

Gary Wright (captain)  
Anne Baird, Wayne Smith

### Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship  
Neal Fleenor, Ron White  
11:00 Bobby Burton, Meredith Kyser,  
Tom Koertge, Ed Harper,  
Ralph Vernon, Lori Justice

### Reader:

11:00 Tracey Kellam

### Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)  
Jimmy Sculthorpe (V)  
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)  
Jimmy Sculthorpe (V)

### Sanctuary Organizers: (8/1-8/31)

Pam Asbury

### Grass Cutter: **August 15 week**

Jimmy Sculthorpe (Area 1)

Portions of our service may be recorded.

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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 (ext. 201)  
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**Children's Ministries** Sherry Wright-Jeter  
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### Youth Ministries

### Music Ministries

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**Custodial Service** Bill Duganne

**Nursery Attendant** Cynthia Liverpool

**Our Covenant Missionary** Kim King Torres