


Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.

10th Sunday after Pentecost CONNECTIONS 9:00AM

Singing

Open the Eyes of My Heart

Making Connections Children's Time

Scripture

Matthew 18:21-35

Sermon

Let It Go

Holy Communion 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

Grace Alone

Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table. Open your hands to receive the bread and dip it in the cup of juice. You are invited to put your offerings in the basket as you come forward for communion. The altar rail is always available as a place of prayer. Special offerings left on the altar rail will go toward families with emergency needs. Gluten-free wafers and juice are available.

Singing

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Benediction

August 2, 2015

10th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

- Prelude Trust and Obey Larry Dalton
- + Call to Worship*
- Leader: Come to Christ, that living stone, rejected by the world, but in God's sight chosen and precious.
- People: **We have responded to Christ's call, and seek to be built into a spiritual house, a living reminder of God's presence on earth.**
- Leader: Once we were no people, but now we are God's people, called out of the darkness into God's marvelous light.
- People: **Therefore we sing with the Church in all ages.**
- All: **Blessed be your name, O God our Redeemer. By our mercy we have been born anew to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.**

+ Hymn UMH 140 Great Is Thy Faithfulness Faithfulness

Prayer of Illumination* UMH 570

Teach us, good Lord, to serve you as you deserve; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labor and not to ask for any reward, except that of knowing that we do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen!

TO HEAR THE WORD

- First Reading* Matthew 6:14-15 Thanks be to God.
- Second Reading* Matthew 18:21-35 Thanks be to God.
- Sermon Let It Go Pastor Derrick Parson

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

UMH 12

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving*

UMH 17

The Lord's Prayer

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Breaking the Bread

Musical Offering

Grace Alone

Scott Brown and Jeff Nelson

Giving the Bread and Cup

Everyone who is present today is welcome at the Lord's Table. The ushers will invite you to come to the front of the sanctuary to receive the bread and juice, kneeling or standing as you are able. Gluten-free wafers and juice are available. Monetary gifts left at the rail go to emergency needs in our church and community.

Prayer after Communion

Offertory

Lamb of God

Joel Raney

+ Response*

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

+ Hymn UMH 377

It Is Well with My Soul

Ville Du Havre

+ 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.
- **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

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.

Perhaps you have enjoyed the coffee and pastry treats and had an opportunity to meet some of our visitors after the worship services recently. If you would like to be a part of this **hospitality team**, to occasionally help set up (**before** 1st service) or clean up (**after** 2nd service), or provide some home-baked goodies, please let us know on the sign-in sheet today. If you have questions, call Diane King (276-0469) or Marsha Oneil (745-3473).

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, across from the church office. The registration form and \$5 fee are due today, August 2, 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.

Creative Arts at Providence (CAP) for 2015 begins tomorrow (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. You can register online at: [CAP Registration](#). Please direct questions to: creativeartsatprovidence@gmail.com.

Our **Upward Soccer** season is rapidly approaching and registration is already open. Registration forms are available in the hallway near the church office or you can [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.



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. Shirley and Linwood Hudson delivered your food gifts to Southminster Presbyterian last Monday and it was greatly needed and appreciated. Their food and assistance resources are very low. Please help CCHASM however and whenever you are able.



Support Our Softball team! The last games for our Providence Softball Team are this Friday night. Let's show the players how much we appreciate them for representing Providence!

August 7

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

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.

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 (not earbuds)
- Markers
- Dry-Erase Markers
- Marble Notebooks

If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Collins (mrscollins17@aol.com).

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), **Carlton Gregory, Carrington Goode**, 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), **Rita & Leroy Williams** (friends of Nickie Price), 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 August 2, 2015:

We pray for the workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: for safe, respectful work environments, healthy work ethics and attitudes, and sufficient salary and benefits for all workers. For owners and managers: for servant leadership, civic responsibility and ethical decision-making.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, August 2

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

Monday, August 3

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 5:30 CAP dinner (SH)
- 6:00 CAP
- 7:00 SPRC (L)

Tuesday, August 4

- 9:30 Worship Committee (205)
- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 5:30 CAP dinner (SH)
- 6:00 CAP
- 6:30 Boy Scouts (PS)

Wednesday, August 5

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 5:30 CAP dinner (SH)
- 6:00 CAP

Thursday, August 6

- 5:30 CAP dinner (SH)
- 6:00 CAP
- 6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 AA Group (205)

Friday, August 7—Church Office Closed

- 5:30 CAP dinner (SH)
- 6:00 CAP
- 7:30 & 8:30 p.m. (Ironbridge #8) Softball Games
- 8:00 AA Group (205)

Saturday, August 8

- 9:00 MARY Christmas Women's Retreat
5500 Braxton Club Way
Richmond, VA 23234

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

Communion Preparers:

9:00 Ron White

11:00 Laura DeLap

Acolyte:

11:00 Meredith Kyser
Zoe Brown

Greeters:

9:00 Linda Keery (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)

11:00 Allen Branson (Library)
Mary Lou Branson (Narthex)

Nursery:

9:00 Jennifer Ostrum

SS Wendy Collins

11:00 Mike & Wendy Collins

Counters:

Klaus Worrell (captain)
Steve Oliver, Stuart Watkins

Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship
Neal Fleenor, Ron White

11:00 Bobby Burton
Meredith Kyser, Tom Koertge
Ed Harper, Ralph Vernon
Lori Justice

Reader:

Marlene Gurney

Audio/Media Shout Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Jimmy Sculthorpe (MS)

11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Jimmy Sculthorpe (MS)

Sanctuary Organizer:

Pam Asbury

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