


Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.

13th Sunday after Pentecost

CONNECTIONS

9:00AM

Call to Worship

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to distinguish the one from the other. Let us worship God! **Amen.**

Singing: Blessed Be Your Name

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Scripture: Philippians 4:6-7
Luke 11:1-13

Singing: Give Us Clean Hands

Message: Theology vs. Knee-ology

Prayer Time

Singing with Offering: Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying

Benediction

Offertory	How Great Thou Art Jenny Irby, Solo	Dan Forrest
+ Response*	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 94
+ Hymn UMH 454	Open My Eyes, That I May See	Open My Eyes
+ Benediction*		
+ Postlude	Agincourt Hymn	John Dunstable

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 “**Join the Mix**” 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).

The **flowers on the Altar** today are given to the glory of God and “in loving memory of my husband, Ed Price, on the occasion of our special day, August 24th. Still missing you.” Nickie Price

The **flowers in the Narthex** are given to the glory of God and “in honor of Carlton Gregory’s 85th birthday. I love you, Betty.”

Today’s **offertory solo** is being sung by Jenny Irby, granddaughter of Betty and Carlton Gregory, in honor of Carlton’s 85th birthday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PUMC's **End of Summer Celebration** is this Wednesday, August 26, 6:00-7:30 p.m. There will be sprinklers and water balloons outside the Social Hall and kickball on the soccer field. Ice cream sundaes will also be served! See you Wednesday!



Children's Ministry Volunteers for Sunday School (Infants-5th Grade)

There is an **Appreciation Luncheon** today, in the social hall, immediately after the 11:00 a.m. worship. Lunch is being provided and we will discuss the curriculum and any questions or concerns you have about the children's ministry at PUMC.



The Blessing of the Backpacks. We will soon be sending our students and school staff back to school with our prayers and blessings. Today, we celebrate the beginning of a new school year, at both the 9 and 11 a.m. worship services, by blessing your backpacks, briefcases, computer bags or totes. This will be a very special time of prayer.

Providence Road Partners will be distributing your donated supplies to students on Monday, August 31, from 2:00-3:00 p.m., at A. M. Davis Elementary. We could use a few volunteers to help with this project. If you have any questions, please contact Wendy Collins (276-2418, mrsollins17@aol.com).



There will be a **2015-16 Church Council Planning Meeting** on September 13, in room 309, immediately after the 11:00 a.m. worship service. A light lunch will be provided. Please add this to your calendar if you can to attend and add your name to the sign-in sheet today.

The Growing Christians are having their fall **Chicken BBQ** on Saturday, September 12, from 10:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m. at the church. If you would like to pre-order your chicken, please contact Brenda Woodward (921-1259) or Kathleen White (744-3644). Baked Beans (\$2) and coleslaw (\$1.50) will also be available. All proceeds will go towards mission projects.



Our **Upward Soccer** season begins this week. Registration forms are available in the hallway near the church office or you can still **register online**. Practices are at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays and begin this week on August 25 or 27. Games are on Saturdays and will begin September 5 and end November 14. There is still room for more volunteers. If you would like to help, email Jennifer Clemmons at upwardpumc@gmail.com.

Fall Disciple Information

Disciple 3—Remember Who You Are. This 32-week study focuses on the Old Testament prophets and the New Testament letters of Paul, the connection between memory and our identity as the people of God. It includes calls to repent, calls for renewal and calls for community. If you would like to participate in this class, please sign up on the sign-in sheets today. Disciple 3 will be led by Barbie Vest and will meet on Sundays, at 2:00 p.m., in room 205. Workbook—\$40. An informational meeting will be on August 30, 2:00 p.m. in room 205. If you have questions, contact Barbie Vest at 378-2632.



Christian Believers—Knowing God with Heart and Mind is part of the Disciple series. This 30-week study focuses on the classical teachings of the Christian faith through the centuries, using scripture, writings, hymns and symbols. Participants will use their Bible and a book of poems, hymns and short essays from significant Christian leaders. Christian Believers will be led by Laura Griggs. The introductory meeting, to hand out materials, will be on Tuesday, September 15, at 6:30-7:00 p.m., in room 205. This class will meet on Tuesday evenings, 6:30-8:30 p.m., in room 205. Workbook and Reader—\$45. Please sign up today on the sign-in sheet if you would like to participate. If you have questions, contact Laura Griggs at 909-9470.

The prerequisite for these classes is completion of Disciple I. They do not need to be taken in order.

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.

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! Our softball team has make-up games on Friday, August 28, 7:00 and 7:30 p.m., on Ironbridge Field #8.



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, Nan Blackwell, Mary Brown, (friend of Judy Gindhart), Percell Brown (palliative care at MCV, friend of Judy Gindhart), Bob Fogle (nephew of Eula Phillips), Sandra Gordon (battling cancer, friend of Paul & Beverly Martin), Mary Harris (mother of Hugh Harris), Shirley Hathaway, Mildred Isbell, Tracey Kellam, Norma Kidd (Morningside at Belgrade, room 141), Jerry Lenhart (nephew of Shirley Collins), Patricia Logan-Reilly (needs a new heart), Betty-Anne Roberson, Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), Stuart Watkins, Rita & Leroy Williams (friends of Nickie Price), James Yeatts

Metro Richmond at Prayer for August 23, 2015: We pray for governments and governing bodies of Metropolitan Richmond: for economic development in depressed portions of the city, for the establishment of businesses that will create new employment opportunities.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, August 23—Blessing of Backpacks

- 9:00 Connections Worship Service
- 9:45 Sunday School for all ages
- 11:00 Traditional Worship Service
- 12:00 Children's Ministry Luncheon (SH)

Monday, August 24

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 5:30 Connections Planning Mtg. (L)
- 6:30 Trustees Meeting (L)

Tuesday, August 25

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:00 Upward Practice
- 6:30 Discipleship Mtg. (205)
- 6:30 Boy Scouts (PS)

Wednesday, August 26

- 6:00 End of Summer Celebration (SH)

Thursday, August 27

- 11:00 Knitters & Crocheters (205)
- 6:00 Upward Practice
- 6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 AA Group (205)
- 6:30 Ministry in Motion Rehearsal

Friday, August 28—Church Office Closed

- 7:00 & 7:30 Softball Games (Ironbridge #8)
- 8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, August 29

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 Linda Keery (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 Allen Branson (Library)
Mary Lou Branson (Narthex)

Nursery:

9:00 Lindsey Garrison
SS Jennifer Ostrum
11:00 Shirley Collins
Emily Kyser (Y)

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:

Jane Elbert

Audio/Media Shout Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Steve Oliver (MS)
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Steve Oliver (MS)

Sanctuary Organizer:

Pam Asbury

CCLI License #1495687
CCVLI License #502817990

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

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