

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Kenya Batts

Principal, Davis Elementary

Singing: Your Great Renown

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Special Music

Scripture

Luke 10:1-21

Message: "It's Harvest Time!"

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: God Is On the Move

Benediction

Twelfth 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.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

Just As I Am

+ Call to Worship *

Leader: Peace-loving and peace-giving God, you bless us with your unending and unconditional love:

People: We come to worship and praise our loving God, and rejoice in God's tender mercy towards us.

Leader: Generous God, you pour blessings and grace upon us, forgiving us for our sin and shame:

People: We come to worship and honour our merciful God, and rejoice in the wonder of forgiven and forgotten sin.

Leader: Holy God, in the beauty of your shalom, and in the glory of your presence, all barriers are lowered:

People: We come to worship and revere our glorious God, who enriches the lives of God's own people and speaks peace into the hearts of all faithful people. Amen.

~ written by the Rev. Dr. Philippa Horrex

August 27, 2017

+ Morning Prayer (inspired by Luke 10:1-11, 16-20) Read by Rev. Parson
+ Hymn *Praise the Lord with the Sound of Trumpet* FWS #2020

Blessing of the Backpacks

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TO HEAR THE WORD

Children's Time Sherry Wright-Jeter

First Reading UMH #830 * Psalm 107:1-9, 33-43 **Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn *To Know You More* FWS #2161

Second Reading * Luke 10:1-21 **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "It's Harvest Time!" Rev. Derrick Parson

Prayer

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.

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offertory/Piano Solo *I'm Gonna Let it Shine* arr. by Melody Bober
(This Little Light of Mine/Deep and Wide)

+ Response * *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #94

Phenomenal Women's Award

+ Hymn *Lord, You Give the Great Commission (vs 1, 2, 4, 5)* UMH #584

+ Benediction

+ Postlude

The **flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God by Nicole Price to celebrate her friendships at PUMC.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today we are “**Blessing the Backpacks**” and giving thanks for the school supplies that have been donated for the students. Please welcome our guests from A. M. Davis Elementary School.

August isn't over yet and there is still time to grab some school supplies for our **school supply drive** for students at A. M. Davis Elementary. We are in partnership with our neighborhood school and these supplies are always greatly appreciated. Check the church website ([School Supply List](#)) for a complete supply list and “shop till you drop”!

Slip-N-Slide Out of Summer with the Youth and Children's Ministries is TODAY at 5:00 p.m. Hot dogs and beverages will be provided — please bring a side dish or dessert. And, don't forget a change of clothes, your swimsuit and a towel if you plan on getting wet! You might need to bring a change even if you don't plan to get wet!

Children's Ministries is having a **planning meeting** after church today in the Social Hall. Parents and interested volunteers are invited to attend.

Thank you for your responses about Bible studies here at PUMC. Barbie Vest is planning to lead a **Disciple 2** class (Into the Word, Into the World) on Sundays at 2pm. This is a 32-week study of Genesis, Exodus, Luke and Acts. Start date to be determined after folks sign up.

Laura Griggs will lead an 8-week course **Covenant**: Creating (different from the Christian Builders Sunday School program) on Wednesday nights at 6:30pm, starting on September 20th. It includes a DVD portion and meditations, and daily reading assignments through the week. We'll allow drop-in participants, but encourage everyone to do the reading. Please call the church office if you want to sign up for either course, so we can order participant books.

Upward Soccer needs you! There are still a couple of openings where help is needed. Please contact Sean Collins at upwardPUMC@gmail.com if you are able to volunteer. Practices began this week (Tuesdays or Thursdays, 6:00 p.m.) and the games begin September 9 (9:00 or 10:00 a.m.). It's going to be a great Upward Soccer Season! Please remember to keep our Upward Soccer program and its volunteers and players in your prayers.

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring **hygiene bags for female prisoners** at Fluvanna Correctional Facility that will be distributed at Christmas to 1,300 women. We are collecting different items each month and reminders will be in the bulletin or sent in the mid-week updates.

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

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

Thank you, UMW of PUMC

Fall 2017 — Covenants With God

Beginning in September, lessons in Adult Bible Studies follow the theme “Covenants with God, and consider the major covenants God made with people on behalf of the earth and human community. Beginning with Noah, God promised benevolence toward creation. God made similar commitments with Abram, Phinehas, and Ezekiel. Ultimately, the covenant forms the foundation for the coming Messiah and salvation for the world.” The major themes will be:

- Signs of God’s Covenants
- Called into Covenant with God
- An Everlasting Covenant

Christian Builders meet in room 205. We have several teachers who lead the class each week on a rotating basis. We would love to have you join us each week as we study the Word of God.

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.

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 4, for Labor Day.

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

August 27, 2017: We pray for workplaces and businesses of Metropolitan Richmond: for full employment opportunities for our young people and heads of families, for the long-term unemployed, and for the under-employed.

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. 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	John Harper
Harrison Bailey	Wayne Lee
Hunter Blankenship	Matt Latimer
Terrance Brunson	Megan Thomas
Jennifer Collins	

Our gathered prayer concerns:

- * Joyce (friend of Jane Elbert)
- * Dot Ashburn
- * Curtis Bailey
- * Nan Blackwell
- * Bursell Bradshaw (brother of Natalia Parson)
- * **Ronnie Brooks** (VA Hospital)
- * Lois Butler (mother of Brenda Woodward)
- * Nancy Carney (cancer; sister of Jim McConnell)
- * The Coffmans (not feeling well since their recent Mission trip)
- * John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- * Jim DeLap
- * Bob & Fran Fitch
- * Emma Fleenor
- * Samuel Ford
- * Jill Gusewelle (friend of the Kysers)
- * Diane Howard (daughter of Jim & Laura DeLap)
- * **The family of Ariane Hubbard** (died 8/15)
- * Diane Huchingson (sister-in-law of Diane King)
- * **Ann Scott Jamison** (viral meningitis; daughter of Flora Scott)
- * Dot Janutolo
- * Earl Jennings (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- * Jack & Linda Keery

- * Tracey Kellam
- * **Charles King** (surgery 8/16)
- * Dave Long (VA Hospital)
- * Carl Lunsford (stroke; friend of Catherine Milholen)
- * Gladys Mann (Chippenham)
- * Dee Marshall (recovering at home)
- * Michael Mercatante, Sr. (heart attack 7/31)
- * Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- * Grey Morris (home)
- * Bill Newman (cousin of Bill Parsons)
- * Karen Nowak (Linda Keery's sister)
- * Cindy Odom (friend of the Keery's)
- * Miss Oppielee (battling cancer; friend of Peg & Bill Mannering)
- * Tery Sarver
- * Russell Shreve (surgery on legs; father of Julie Fleshman)
- * Jean Slaven (Barbara Robertson's mother)
- * Bill Steele
- * Jeff Smith (cancer; father of Fran McConnell)
- * Mary Ellen Tyree (mother of Jeanie Ezell Southers)
- * Upward Soccer
- * Jeanette Wilson (heart surgery, 7/31)
- * Jim Yeatts
- * Kathy & Kerby Young (friends of The Kysers)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, August 27 — Backpack Sunday

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 12:15 Children's Ministries Planning (SH)
- 3:30 CHAMPs Music Jam
- 4:00 Girl Scouts
- 5:00 Slip-N-Slide & Dinner (PS)
- 5:15 SonRise Sisters
- 5:30 Inukshuks & Youth
- 6:00 Bells of Providence

Monday, August 28

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 6:30 Young Adults
- 6:30 Nominations (205)
- 6:45 Trustees (L)
- 7:00 Ruritan Dinner (SH)

Tuesday, August 29

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:00 Upward Soccer Practice
- 6:30 Scouts (PS/SH)

Wednesday, August 30

- 6:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, August 31

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 6:00 Upward Soccer Practice
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 MIM
- 6:30 AA Group (205)

Friday, September 1

- 8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, September 2

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 Kyle Ostrum

Greeters:

9:00 Diane King (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 Jean Riekers (Library)
Nikki Price (Narthex)

Ushers:

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

Nursery:

9:00 Brittany Flores
SS Wendy Collins
11:00 Lindsey & Sean Collins

Counters:

Klaus Worrell (captain)
Steve Oliver

Reader:

Dave Robinson

Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Nikki Earley (V)
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Nikki Earley (V)

Sanctuary Organizers:

Marilyn Bell (Aug. 1-31)

Grass Cutter:

Area 1 John Bradley
(Week August 28)

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Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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