


Providence United Methodist Church

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CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Singing: I've Got Peace Like A River

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Sherry Jeter

Singing: Give Thanks

Scripture: Luke 16:19-31

Betty-Anne Roberson

Introduction of Guest Speaker: Jane Elbert

Message: Lynn Litchfield

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: Here I Am, Lord

Benediction

19th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Welcome and Announcements		Derrick Parson
Prelude	Blessed Are Ye Faithful Souls	J. Brahms
+ Call to Worship		Judy Gindhart
Leader:	We are gathered together this morning as members of your family to worship you, our Living God.	
People:	You, our God, have called us to be in community with one another.	
Leader:	Enable us to center ourselves for renewal in your presence and send the Holy Spirit to prepare us for ministry in the world.	
People:	You, our God, have called us to be in community with one another.	
Leader:	Equip us to witness to your love and power.	
People:	You, our God, have called us to be in community with one another.	
Leader:	Inspire us to tell the story that Jesus has come so that all may have abundant life.	
+ Opening Prayer		Jane Elbert
	O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near. Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring all nations into your fold; and pour out your Spirit so that all may know you as our Lord and Savior. Amen.	
+ Hymn FWS 2145	I've Got Peace Like a River	PEACE LIKE A RIVER
Making Connections		
Presentation of Special Awards		Jane Elbert, Marilyn Bell, Evelyn Hastings
First Reading	Psalms 91:1-6, 14-16	Flora Scott

+ Hymn FWS 2036	Give Thanks	GIVE THANKS
Second Reading	Luke 16:19-31	Danielle Hellams
Anthem	Amazing Savior	H. Wilson/B. Harlan (arr.)

TO HEAR THE WORD

Introduction of Guest Speaker		Jane Elbert
Message	Rev. Lynn Litchfield	Grace Inside

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	Voluntary	Thomas Loud
+Response*	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	UMH 94
+Hymn UMH 593	Here I Am, Lord	HERE I AM, LORD

Closing Prayer

Jane Elbert

Send us, O God, as thy messengers, to hearts without a home, to lives without love, to those without a guide. Send us to the children whom none have blessed, to the famished who hunger, to the fallen whom none have comforted. Kindle your flame in our hearts, that others may be warmed; cause your light to shine in our souls, that others may see the way, keep our sympathies and insight ready, our wills keen, our hands quick to help our sisters and brothers in their need; for Christ's sake. Amen.

+Benediction		Jane Elbert
+ Postlude	Trumpet Air	James Bremmer

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 Wayne Smith in memory of Kathy's birthday on September 29th.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

On **October 9th** we will only be having **ONE worship service at 11:00** due to charge conference. Dr. Peter Moon, District Superintendent, will be presiding.

Please welcome our guest speaker, **Rev. Lynn Litchfield**. Lynn served as the Chaplain at Fluvanna Correction Center for over 11 years and is ordained in both the Baptist and United Church of Christ. When not involved in prison ministry, she is a dance teacher and a devoted mother.

United Methodist Women is a community of women whose purpose is to know God and to experience freedom as a whole purpose through Jesus Christ; to develop a creative, supportive fellowship; and to expand concepts of mission through participation in the global ministries of the church. If you are interested in joining one of our four circles, please contact Jane Elbert at (675-0534) or email her at janeelbertquilts@gmail.com

The **Providence Brunswick Stew** is October 15. If you would like to assist in the preparation of the stew, please put your name on the sign-in sheet today. This is also the day of our traditional Community Stew Dinner at 5:00 p.m. To place your stew order, please contact Shirley Hudson (276-2495) or Sue Duganne (334-7185).

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.

CCHASM will be assisting families again this year for Thanksgiving in Chesterfield County, Colonial Heights, Dinwiddie, Hopewell and Prince George with a **Thanksgiving Meal Gift Package and a \$15 gift card** for a turkey. Please see this week's insert and begin buying items as you are able so we can exceed last year's goal of 39 complete packages. If you have any questions, contact Shirley Hudson at 804-276-2495. Help us to help others by making this program a HUGE success again this year!

The **youth group** is going to Maymont Park **TODAY** at 11:00. We will leave right after Sunday School!! Chips, cookies and water bottles will be provided. Please bring a sandwich and anything else that you want for lunch. We will have a picnic at the park. We will have the kids contact their parents when we are getting ready to head back to church. This field trip will be in place of our usual youth group meeting, so we will **NOT** meet at 5:30 this evening.

Wednesday evening class on the Principles of the Founding Fathers:

Join your friends for a Wednesday evening series of lectures and discussions of 28 principles of the Founding Fathers. Are you a little rusty on your knowledge of the U. S. Constitution and other historical documents related to the founding of our government? How are Christian beliefs reflected in these documents and in the beliefs of our Founding Fathers? This series will be led by John Robison and Linda Koertge. The series will begin on October 12 at 7pm and run for approximately 8 or 9 weeks. If you have any questions, please contact John Robison at minstral@aol.com.

Our **Annual Pansy Sale** starts today! It will benefit Shalom Farms and be sponsored by UMUMR. The cost this year is \$20 for a flat (32 plants), \$10 for half a flat (16 plants) and \$5 for 8 plants. Donations are also accepted. The church delivery date is October 7th after 2 PM. Please make all checks payable to UMUMR and place in the folder in the church office. Contact Shirley Collins at scol23235@gmail.com or call (804) 745-3024 if you any questions.

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. 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), Bill Blankenship (surgery 9/20), Mary and Purcell Brown (both have serious illnesses, friends of Judy Gindhart), Nancy Carney (battling cancer, sister of Jim McConnell), Mae Clarke, Emma Fleenor, Samuel Ford, Brenda Hair (battling throat cancer), 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, Jack Keery, Carl Lunsford (neighbor of Catherine Milholen), Ken Matthews, Ron Moyer, Bill Newman (cousin of Bill Parsons), Erma Robins (Sunrise), Nancy Segal (friend of the Collins family), Grayson Simmons (brother of A.M. Davis teacher), Kristen Slayton & family (Davis teacher), Wayne Smith, Barbara Sutton (Brookdale), the family of Allen Todd (aka Todd, former member of PUMC, who died suddenly on 8/10), the family of Stuart Watkins (who died 8/14), Bobby Wood (The Laurels at Bon Air, Room 110), James Yeatts.

Metro Richmond at Prayer for September 25, 2016: We pray for schools and educational institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: for healthy relationships between parents, teachers and students; for cooperation between Superintendents and Administrators of public and private schools throughout this metropolitan city.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, September 25

UMW Sunday

9:00 Connections

9:45 Sunday School

11:00 Traditional Worship

11:00 Youth Trip to Maymont

4:00 Girl Scouts (309)

NO Youth & Inukshuks

Monday, September 26

10:00 Line Dancers

6:30 Trustees (L)

Tuesday, September 27

11:00 Bible Study (L)

2:00 ALPHA Practice (SH)

6:00 Upward Soccer Practice

6:30 Boy/Cub Scouts (SH/309)

7:00 Young Adults

Wednesday, September 28

6:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, September 29

9:30 Prayer Team (P)

5:45 Ministry in Motion

6:00 Upward Soccer Practice

6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)

6:30 AA Group (205)

6:30 Providence Green Assn. (309)

Friday, September 30

8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, October 1

9:00 Upward Soccer Game

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

10:00 Upward Soccer Game

CCLI License #1495687
CCVLI License #502817990

Those Serving Today

Acolyte:

11:00 Meredith Kyser

Greeters:

9:00 Diane King (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 Allen Branson (Library)
Mary Lou Branson (Narthex)

Nursery:

9:00 Laurie Breeden
SS Wendy Collins
11:00 Mike & Wendy Collins

Counters:

Klaus Worrell (captain)
Steve Oliver

Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship
Chris Healy, Carolyn Bilski
Debra Isenhower, Jean Riekers
11:00 George Winstead, Linwood
Hudson, Jack Waters, T.L.
Jenkins, Melvin Watkins,
Shirley Collins, Noelle Holland,
Althea Armstrong

Readers:

Betty-Anne Roberson,
Danielle Hellams,
Flora Scott

Audio/Visual Team:

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

Sanctuary Organizers: (9/1-9/30)

Peggy Gillette, Eula Phillips

Grass Cutter:

September 28 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

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