


Providence United Methodist Church

Belong. Be Transformed.  Make a Difference.

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Singing

Making Connections

Children's Time

Sherry Wright-Jeter

Scripture: Luke 17:5-10

Sermon: Increase Our Faith

Derrick Parson

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

Everyone is welcome at the Lord's Table. Open your hands to receive the bread and dip it in the cup of juice. 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 and Offering

Benediction

October 2, 2016

20th Sunday after Pentecost

11:00 a.m.

World Communion Sunday

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude Be Merciful to Me, O God J. S. Bach

Anthem In Remembrance Buryl Red

+ Call to Worship *

Leader: God calls to the lost, the least, and all who long for home.

People: Lord, help us to be your people!

Leader: God calls when we wander from the path chosen for us and waste the gifts we have been given.

People: Lord, help us to be your people!

Leader: God calls and welcomes us back to worship this day; let us celebrate and rejoice in God's presence forever.

ALL: Let us worship God together.

+ Opening Prayer

Loving Shaper of people and nations, you are beyond our knowing, and yet closer to us than our every breath. You are before us and behind us, surrounding us with your love, and fashioning all of creation in the secret depths of your heart. With every thought, with every song, and with every prayer, turn these fragile earthen vessels that we are, into the Spirit-filled body of Christ. Amen.

+ Hymn UMH 140 Great is Thy Faithfulness FAITHFULNESS
Paul Martin and Derrick Parson, verses
Congregation—refrain only

Children's Time Sherry Wright-Jeter

TO HEAR THE WORD

First Reading UMH 852 * Psalm 137 **Thanks be to God.**
Second Reading * Luke 17:5-10 **Thanks be to God.**

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Invitation

Prayer of Confession

UMH 12

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Holy Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving*

UMH 17

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Breaking the Bread

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

Lord Jesus Christ, Thou Hast Prepared

R. W. Wienhorst

*Lord Jesus Christ, Thou has prepared a feast for our salvation,
It is Thy body and Thy blood; And at Thy invitation as weary souls,
With sin oppress, we come to Thee for needed rest,
For comfort and for pardon.*

+ Response*

Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

UMH 94

Reception of New Member

Alexandria Ali

+ Hymn FWS 2226

Bind Us Together

BIND US TOGETHER

+ Benediction

+ Benediction Response FWS 2026

Halle, Halle, Halleluja

HALLE, HALLE

+ Postlude

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

- UMH** United Methodist Hymnal (Red)
- FWS** The Faith We Sing (Black)
- * Words Projected
- + 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 and in recognition of Susan Worrell's birthday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The first Sunday in October is **World Communion Sunday**. This is a day that all Christian denominations are asked to celebrate the Eucharist together. This is also one of the

days where the UMC collects a special offering. There is a special envelope in your bulletin today for that purpose. One half of the proceeds from this offering is for World Communion Sunday Scholars administered by the General Board of Global Ministries. The remaining half is to be used for the Ethnic Scholarship Program and the Ethnic In-Service Training Programs which are administered by the General Board of Higher Education and Ministry.

Reminder: The **5 Talent Academy** (Equipping People for Ministry Outside the Walls of the Church) is on Tuesday, October 4, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m. at Woodlake UMC. Registration is at 8:30 a.m.

Next Sunday, October 9, we will have **ONE worship service at 11:00** due to charge conference. The Rev. Dr. Peter Moon, District Superintendent, will be presiding. Breakfast will be at 9:00 a.m., followed by Sunday School and worship at 11:00 a.m. Please sign up today on the sign-in sheet if you plan to have breakfast at 9:00 a.m.

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).

The Chancel Choir would like to invite members of the congregation to join the

Christmas Choir to sing the cantata "Birthday of the King," on December 18. Cantata practice will be Wednesday nights, beginning October 5, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The Chancel Choir will stay until 8:30 p.m.

Please take a moment today to **welcome Alexandria Ali** to our PUMC family. Alexandria is also our new Director of Youth Ministries. We are so happy to have her here at PUMC and as part of our church family!

Principles of the Founding Fathers
Wednesday evenings beginning 10/12

Beginning Wednesday, October 12, join us for a 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. Please sign up today if you would like to attend the series. If you have any questions, please contact John Robison at minstral@aol.com.

Our **Annual Pansy Sale** to benefit Shaom Farms is in progress and is 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 Friday, October 7 **after 2 p.m.** 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.

CCHASM is 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 total of 39 complete packages. If you have any questions, contact Shirley Hudson at 804-276-2495. Help us help others by making this program a HUGE success again this year!

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.

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. 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), 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), Ronnie Justice, **Jack Keery** (home after procedures at McGuire VAMC), Tracey Kellam, Tristen Kellam, Carl Lunsford (neighbor of Catherine Milholen), 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), Bobby Wood (The Laurels at Bon Air, Room 110), James Yeatts.

Metro Richmond at Prayer for October 2, 2016: We pray for public, non-profit, and religious social service work and ministries in Metropolitan Richmond: for all in need of social services, all social service departments and caseworkers; for a partnership between the church and other institutions serving the needy.

Thank you to all who came forward this week and helped out in the office. From those who checked on me each day to see if I needed anything; those who selflessly stepped forward and served with time and talents; those who helped me design and correct the bulletins; those who brought me food and encouraged me daily; and, to those who just hugged, prayed for, loved me and overlooked my slowness. I never would have made it these two weeks without everyone's love and help. May God bless and strengthen each of you!

— Judy Gindhart



Thank you to everyone who assisted in the office during the two weeks I was in Italy. It meant a lot to me that you so willingly covered the day-to-day office activities at PUMC. I was blessed to have had such fantastic people willing to help while I was away. There are just not enough words to adequately say how much I appreciate everything and love y'all!! A very special thank you goes to Judy Gindhart for going way beyond

Love y'all and thanks!
Linda Collins

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 2

World Communion Sunday
9:00 Connections
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Traditional Worship
2:00 Disciple 1 (205)
4:00 Girl Scouts (309)
5:30 Youth & Inukshuks

Monday, October 3

10:00 Line Dancers (309)
6:45 Trustees (L)

Tuesday, October 4

9:00 5 Talent Academy (Woodlake UMC)
11:00 Bible Study (L)
2:00 ALPHA Rehearsal (SH)
6:00 Upward Soccer Practice
6:30 Boy Scouts (SH/PS)
7:00 Young Adults
7:00 Newton Circle

Wednesday, October 5

7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
1:00 Visitation Team (L)
6:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, October 6

9:30 Prayer Team (P)
6:00 Upward Soccer Practice
6:15 Men's Bible Study (L)
6:30 Ministry in Motion
6:30 AA Group (205)

Friday, October 7

8:00 AA Group (309)

Saturday, October 8

Ruritan Stew (PS/SH)
9:00 Upward Soccer Game
10:00 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 phone or email.

Those Serving Today

Communion Preparers:

9:00 Judy Miles
11:00 Linda Koertge

Acolyte:

11:00 Karrie

Greeters:

9:00 Linda Keery (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 Patty Wright (Library)
Jean Riekers (Narthex)

Nursery:

9:00 Kelly Horne
SS Jane Gilliam
11:00 Wendy Collins & Lindsey Collins

Counters:

Ron Wootten (captain)
Janice Bergeron, Gracie Martin

Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship
Wayne Latimer, Doug Sheek
11:00 Klaus Worrell
Sean Collins, Tony Fleshman
Laurie Breeden, Rudy Petrick

Reader:

11:00 Betty Gregory

Sanctuary Organizers: (10/3-10/31)

Anna Knight

Grass Cutter: week of October 3

John Bradley (Area 2)

Portions of our service may be recorded.

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Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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