

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing: “The New Song We Sing”
“Forever”

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Scripture

1 John 4:7-21

Message: “Love is the Answer”
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: “Your Love O Lord”
“I Need You More”

Benediction

5th Sunday of Easter

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

"Our Father in Heaven Who Art"

J. S. Bach

+ Call to Worship *

~ written by Katherine Hawker

Jesus offers a new — old commandment, that we should love each other.

With the incredible power and the unfathomable depth

of God's love for us

we can

we must

love one another.

And it is in this, our love for one another

that the world will know

whom and why we worship.

Come, children of God, let us love one another!

April 29, 2018

+ Hymn "God of Love and God of Power" UMH #578

Making Connections

TO HEAR THE WORD

A Time with the Children Sherry Jeter

Responsive Reading (UMH 752) Psalm 22:25-31 **Thanks be to God.**

+ Hymn "My Tribute" (sing 2 times) UMH #99

Second Reading * 1 John 4:7-21 **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon "Love is the Answer" Derrick Parson

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offertory "The Gift of Love" by Hal Hopson
The Chancel Choir

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

+ Hymn "Bind Us Together" FWS #2226

+ Benediction

+ Postlude "Prelude and Fugue in G Minor" J. S. Bach

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All guests, visitors and members (adults and children), **please sign in** on a pew clipboard today and include your contact information. Please continue to sign in each Sunday and especially tell us if you have changes to the personal information that the church maintains.

It's been a long time coming but our devotional (*Light My Pathway*) is here and is on sale today in the Library, after each service. The cost is \$10.00 each and proceeds will benefit the general fund and cover all expenses.

In preparation for our worship services on May 13, ladies, please send us pictures of You and Your Mother together. You can bring a photo by the office or email it to us at providenceumc@providenceumc.net. We must have your photo/file no later than Tuesday, May 8. We will return all photographs that we receive.

The new **Safety Plan** for PUMC is in effect (effective 4/1/18). All doors, with the exception of the front entrances to the Sanctuary and Education Building, will remain locked including the Sunday services. On Sunday mornings, the front entrances will be locked at 11:15 a.m.

We are asking for volunteers to greet people and help with opening doors on the first floor by the elevator and covered walkway on Sunday morning. The two timeframes are 8:15-9:45 and 9:45-11:15. We have set it up so that you can attend the worship service of your choice. If we have many volunteers, there won't be a need for people to miss Sunday school class very often.

If you are interested in volunteering, please click on the link below and sign up so we will know we have coverage. www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0D4BADA82EA3FE3-worship. There is no password needed and if you'd like a reminder email, please include your email address when you sign up.

PUMC Financial Report as of March 31, 2018

	March	2018 YTD	2017 YTD
Receipts	\$23,141	\$82,871	\$84,866
Disbursements	\$31,038	\$94,301	\$96,326
Net Receipts	(\$7,897)	(\$11,430)	(\$11,459)
Operating Fund	\$45,244		

Kits for Conference. During April we will be accepting:

- hand towels (15"x25" to 17"x27"); no kitchen, cleaning or microfiber towels
- bath soap (3 oz. or larger); no Ivory or Jergens due to moisture content)
- metal nail files or nail clippers; no emery boards

Please look at the display board in the narthex for samples of the items needed. **In May** we will be collecting monetary donations to cover the cost of toothpaste, shipping, adhesive bandages and gallon Ziploc bags to pack everything in. Thanks for all you do!

Attention anyone who uses Room 309 (meetings, classes, whatever): New chairs have been donated for use in this room. If you wish to help pay for "your chair", please drop some extra money into the offering plate on a Sunday morning.

Thank you to those of you who will be providing office coverage during my vacation. Here is the schedule as we know it today.

	<u>10-1</u>	<u>1-4</u>
Thur., 5/3	Marian Johnise	Barbara
Mon., 5/7	Barbara	Penny
Tue., 5/8	Johnise	Marsha
Wed., 5/9	Marian	Mary Lou
Thur., 5/10	Marian Johnise	Barbara

Thank you again for your help.
Linda Collins

Food Sunday at PUMC is the second Sunday of each month. The next Food Sunday is May 13. Please bring non-perishable food to church and leave it in the CCHASM bin near the elevator on the main floor so it can be delivered to CCHASM.

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

April 29, 2018 — We pray for the Spirit of the Resurrection in Metropolitan Richmond: for a spirit of humility, respecting and appreciating the gifts and contributions of all.

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	Harrison Bailey
Hunter Blankenship	Terrance Brunson
Jennifer Collins	Wayne Lee
Megan Thomas	

Our gathered prayer concerns:

- * The family of Ellen Anderson (family lost brother & mother within a week of each other)
- * Dot Ashburn
- * Clinton Asbury (stroke, in ICU in Johnson City, TN; uncle of Pam Asbury)
- * Curtis Bailey
- * Bobby Baker (friend of the Bells)
- * Nan Blackwell
- * Louis Burks (stroke on 3/27; husband of Nancy Burks, former music director/organist)
- * Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)
- * John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- * Uldine Curtis
- * Sheila Dougherty's family on the recent loss of her mother
- * **The family of Fran Fitch** (died 4/23)
- * Allison Fuquay (cancer; niece of Robin Jeffrey)
- * Jill Gueswelle (very good friend of Elizabeth Kyser)
- * Dot Janutolo (in rehab in Nashville, TN)
- * Jean (placed on hospice; sister-in-law of Evelyn Hastings)
- * Earl Jennings (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- * Jack Keery (McGuire, room 2F141)
- * Linda Keery
- * Charles King
- * Diane King (severe back pain; procedure scheduled 5/3)
- * Karen King (surgery 4/9; home, doing well)
- * Bob Loud (recent cancer diagnosis; cousin of Pat Loud)
- * Blanca & Jose Mera

- * Mike Mercatante, Sr.
- * Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- * Leigh Middleton
- * Grace Newman
- * Anna Catherine Reynolds (infection in leg bone; granddaughter of Cathy Patterson)
- * Sheila Scott (cancer)
- * The family of Beverly Seal (died 4/17; brother of Barbara Blankenship)
- * Jean Slaven (Barbara Robertson's mother)
- * **Freddie Stembridge** (grandson of Charlotte Glidewell)
- * Gary Taylor (stroke; Margaret Taylor Woods' father)
- * Sharon & Bob VanWhy (friends of Peg Martin)
- * Stephanie White (health issues; Mary Ann Walton's daughter)



Thank you so much for supporting UMUMR and Shalom Farms by purchasing geraniums. We had more orders than previous years and I appreciate everyone picking up their flowers promptly.

Shirley Collins

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 29

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 2:00 Trusting in the Covenant (205)
- 5:30 Youth (YH)

Monday, April 30

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 11:00 Funeral Frances Fitch (Sanc)

Tuesday, May 1

- 10:00 GED Classes (309)
- 10:30 Staff Meeting (205)
- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Cubs/Boy Scouts (SH/309)
- 7:00 Newton Circle

Wednesday, May 2

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)

Thursday, May 3

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 10:00 GED Classes (309)
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 AA (YH)
- 6:30 MIM (Sanc)

Friday, May 4

- 6:30 CHAMPs (SH)
- 8:00 AA (309)

Saturday, May 5

- 12:00 Boy Scouts (Sanc)
- 12:00 Boy Scouts (SH)

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 Meredith Kyser

Greeters:

8:15-9:45

Linda Keery (1st Floor)

9:00

_____ (Library)

Mike Patterson (Narthex)

9:45-11:15

Beverley Brooks (1st Floor)

11:00

Betty Gregory (Library)

_____ (Narthex)

Ushers:

9:00

Bill Blankenship

Wayne Latimer

Doug Sheek

11:00

Klaus Worrell

Sean Collins, Tony Fleshman

Laurie Breeden

Nursery:

9:00

Jane Gilliam

SS

Troye Hamilton

11:00

Lindsey & Sean Collins

Counters:

Gary Wright

Wayne Smith, Anne Baird

Reader:

Barbie Vest

Audio/Visual Team:

9:00

Ron Wootten (A)

Tyler Griggs (V)

11:00

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Tyler Griggs (V)

Sanctuary Organizers:

Anna Knight

(April 1-30)

Grass Cutters: (Area 2)

April 30—Jimmy Sculthorpe

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Monday—Thursday

10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Friday

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Kim King Torres

Presiding Bishop

Sharma Lewis