

# *Providence United Methodist Church*

**CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.**

**Greeting and Welcome**

**Opening Prayer**

**Singing:** The New Song We Sing

**Making Connections**

**A Time with the Children**

**Singing:** Arms of Love

**Scripture**

John 12:6-18

**Message:** "Plans for Your Life"

Laura Griggs, Lay Leader

**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:** The Same Love

**Benediction**

# 7th Sunday of Easter

11:00 a.m.

Mother's Day

- 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.

Welcome Guests! We're glad you're here!

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## THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

"Voluntary"

Mason & Webb

+ Call to Worship \*

One: We have come to worship God, the living God,

**Many: Who calls prophets and teachers to bear witness.**

One: We have come to praise God, the almighty God,

**All: Who answers the forces of hatred and hurt with the power of grace.**

One: We have come to worship God, all-gracious God,

**All: Who chooses even you and me, to receive and carry the Word of life and hope. All glory to God!**

+ Hymn

"We Are God's People"

FWS #2220

Making Connections

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## **TO HEAR THE WORD**

A Time with the Children		Sherry Jeter
First Reading *	Jeremiah 29:11-13, 31:33-34 31	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>
+ Hymn	“God of Love and God of Power”	UMH #578
Second Reading *	John 17:6-18	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>
Sermon	“Plans for Your Life”	Laura Griggs, Lay Leader

### 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	“Give Me Jesus” The Chancel Choir	arr. by Craig Courtney
+ Response *	“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”	UMH #94
+ Hymn	“O Love, How Deep” (verses 1, 3, 5, 6)	UMH #267
+ Benediction		
+ Postlude	“Voluntary”	Charles Zeuner

The **flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Jim, Evelyn Hastings' husband.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

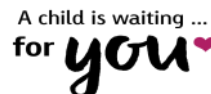
All guests, visitors and members (adults and children), **please sign in** on a pew clipboard today and include your contact information. Please continue to sign in each Sunday and especially tell us if you have changes to the personal information that the church maintains.

The Sign-Up Sheet for **Cooks** for the **Wednesday Night Dinners** is available today. If your group or class has not already signed up but would like to cook any of the untaken Wednesdays please sign up soon. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board beside the water fountain in the hallway.

Speaking of Wednesday Night Dinners, *please listen to the announcements today*. **IF** there is going to be a dinner this Wednesday, May 16, **please sign up today on the pew clipboard**.

### *Compassion Sunday is Coming!*

Our church is participating in **Compassion Sunday on Sunday, May 20** at both services. This is a national event that helps us grow in our understanding of God's very special love for the poor. It's also an opportunity for each of us to interrupt the cycle of poverty and make a difference in the life of at least one child. Children all around the world are waiting for a sponsor like you. Cathy Patterson will be in the Library on May 20 where you can view children who need a sponsor right now. You will give them a future and hope through the loving intervention of a Christ-centered program run by a local church in their neighborhood. Please prayerfully consider if God is calling you to be a child sponsor. For more information, contact Cathy Patterson at [cathywpatterson@gmail.com](mailto:cathywpatterson@gmail.com) / **804-307-4707** or visit [CompassionSunday.com](http://CompassionSunday.com).



<b>PUMC Financial Report as of March 31, 2018</b>			
	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		

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.

The PUMC **Safety Plan** is in effect. 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 during 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 you are interested in volunteering, please go to **ProvidenceUMC.net/Link** and sign up so we will know we have coverage. There is no password needed and if you'd like a reminder email, please add your email address when you sign up.

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

## **PROVIDENCE ROAD PARTNERS**

Jesus tells us in John 21:17 "Feed my sheep". We are currently feeding 12 students each weekend at A. M. Davis Elementary School and our funds are critically low. It costs \$12 per child to provide food for one weekend. Please consider making a contribution to this important mission of our church. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Wendy Collins by email (**MrsCollins17@aol.com**) or phone (276-2418).

## **PRAYER MINISTRY**

**May 13, 2018** — We pray for the Churches and religious institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: for all religious communities, abbeys, orders, brotherhoods, sisterhoods, religious societies, and para-church organizations.

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  
Megan Thomas  
Hunter Blankenship    Terrance Brunson  
Jennifer Collins      Wayne Lee

**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
- \* Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)
- \* John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- \* Uldine Curtis
- \* 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 (home)
- \* Linda Keery
- \* Charles King
- \* Diane King
- \* 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)
- \* Jean Slaven (Barbara Robertson's mother)
- \* Freddie Stembridge (son-in-law 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)

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## Sunday, May 13 — Mother's Day

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

## Monday, May 14

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 7:00 Finance (L)
- 7:00 Ruritan Board Meeting (309)

## Tuesday, May 15

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

## Wednesday, May 16

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 3:00 Finnegan (SH)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir
- 6:30 Providence Green (309)

## Thursday, May 17

- 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 18

- 9:15 Cooks for Christ
- 8:00 AA (309)

## Saturday, May 19

Richmond Chrysalis (Rob Heare) (PS & 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:

9:00 \_\_\_\_\_ (Library)  
Mike Patterson (Narthex)  
11:00 Nickie Price (Library)  
\_\_\_\_\_ (Narthex)

## 1st Floor

8:15-9:45  
Reyna Skrabala  
9:45-11:15  
Nikki Earley & Marsha O'Neil

## Ushers:

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

## Nursery:

9:00 Bethany Sharpe  
SS Wendy Collins  
11:00 Wendy Collins, Meredith Kyser

## Counters:

Klaus Worrell  
Steve Oliver

## Reader:

Dave Robinson

## Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Ron Wootten (A)  
Tyler Griggs (V)  
11:00 Ron Wootten (A)  
Tyler Griggs (V)

## Sanctuary Organizers:

Flora Scott & Jean Winfree  
Judy Gindhart & assistants

## Grass Cutters:

(Area 2)  
May 14—John Bradley

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## Office Hours:

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

## Contact us at:

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## Church Staff:

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## Intern

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Isaac.Nedd@providenceumc.net

## Music Ministries

## Children's Ministries

Sherry Wright-Jeter  
Sherry.Jeter@providenceumc.net

## Secretary

Linda Collins  
Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net

## Audio Visual

Tyler Griggs  
Tgriggs87@gmail.com

## Custodial Service

Curtis Jones

## Nursery Attendant

Cynthia Liverpool

## Youth Ministries

Mary & Greg Elliott (interim)

## Young Adult Ministries

Terrence Jeter (interim)

## Our Covenant Missionary

Kim King Torres

## Presiding Bishop

Sharma Lewis