

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing: "Everlasting God"
"All To Us"

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Scripture

1 Thessalonians 2:1-12

Message: "Follow the Leader"
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: "I Will Follow"

Benediction

5th 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

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| Prelude | "I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ" | J. S. Bach |
| + Call to Worship | | |
| Opening Prayer | | |
| + Hymn | "Am I a Soldier of the Cross" | UMH #511 |
| Making Connections | | |

TO HEAR THE WORD

A Time with the Children

Sherry Jeter

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| Responsive Reading (UMH #744) | Psalm 9:9-26 | Thanks be to God. |
| + Hymn | “Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus” | UMH #514 |
| Second Reading * | 1 Thessalonians 2:1-12 | Thanks be to God. |
| Sermon | “Follow the Leader” | Rev. Derrick Parson |
| Prayer | | |

The Lord’s Prayer

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TO RESPOND IN FAITH

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| Offertory | “Come Follow Me” The Chancel Choir | by Albrecht and Althouse |
| + Response * | “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” | UMH #94 |
| + Hymn | “Through It All” | UMH #507 |
| + Benediction | | |
| + Postlude | “Chorale: I Call to Thee, Lord Jesus Christ” | 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.



The **Upward Soccer season** is just around the corner! Practices will start at the end of August but we need to start recruiting players now! If you would like a few advertising posters to hang around the community, at restaurants, pools, day cares or anywhere else families will see them, please see Sean Collins in the library after both services today.

There will NOT be a GED class on Monday, June 25. The classes will resume on Monday, July 2nd. Our evening GED classes began Monday, June 11 and will continue during the summer on Monday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in room 205. We hope this change will give people who work during the day a chance to participate. Since this is a new endeavor, we don't know what interest or participation we might have, so we may or may not need child care. If you are interested in volunteering in any way, even if it is only for a period of time, or if you just want more information, please contact Bethany Sharpe at Bethany.sharpe@gmail.com or at 804-303-2291.

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 during the Sunday services. On Sunday mornings, the front entrances will be locked at 11:15 a.m. If you would like to volunteer to assist at the doors on the ground level, please sign up online by going to this link: providenceumc.net/link so we know we will have coverage. If you'd like to sign up but don't have internet access, call the church office and someone will assist you in signing up.

PUMC Financial Report as of May 31, 2018

| | May | 2018 YTD | 2017 YTD |
|----------------|----------|------------|------------|
| Receipts | \$24,271 | \$138,038 | \$135,906 |
| Disbursements | \$25,077 | \$150,516 | \$166,057 |
| Net Receipts | (\$806) | (\$12,478) | (\$30,151) |
| Operating Fund | \$44,187 | | |

June 24, 2018



INDEPENDENCE DAY

The church office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

Our devotional, *Light My Pathway*, is still available in the office. The cost is \$10.00 each and proceeds will benefit the general fund and cover expenses. If you would like to purchase a copy, send Linda an email (Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net).

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

June 24, 2018 — We pray for the criminal justice system in Metropolitan Richmond: for volunteers who minister in jails and prisons. For the victims of violent crime and for situations that perpetuate violent crime.

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:

- * Dot Ashburn
- * Curtis Bailey
- * Bobby Baker (friend of the Bell's)
- * Nan Blackwell
- * Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)

Our gathered prayer concerns: (continued)

- * John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- * Uldine Curtis
- * Nikki Earley (home)
- * 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)
- * The family of Jean Mannering (died 6/14; mother of Bill Mannering)
- * Blanca & Jose Mera
- * Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- * Leigh Middleton
- * Grace Newman
- * Damien Spencer (great-grandson of Hugh Harris)
- * John Stallings (cancer; friend of Bill Mannering and Julie Gaudett)
- * Freddie Stembidge (son-in-law of Charlotte Glidewell)
- * Beth Tucker (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- * Sharon & Bob VanWhy (friends of Peg Martin)
- * Stephanie White (health issues; Billy & Mary Ann Walton's daughter)

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so very much for all the prayers lifted up for our granddaughter Anna Catherine during her illness and hospital stay. And thank you, Derrick, for visiting her as she is a frequent visitor here and knows you. You have no idea how all of you touched our hearts, strengthened our faith and carried us through this scary ordeal! I am absolutely sure that the prayers of so many made the difference in her recovery. Her recovery at home was expected to be 6 weeks, but she was off all medicine in just two!! The phone calls, cards, gifts and many inquiries about how she was doing as you saw us at church meant so much, not only to us but to Megan and John-her parents. Her boot is off and she is finally walking without a limp. Praise God!

Love and Hugs!!!

Cathy and Mike Patterson

Dear PUMC Members,

Thank you for the opportunity to attend the 286th Session of the Virginia Annual Conference. What a learning experience it was! I am so blessed to be a part of this caring church family and I appreciate your generosity in giving me this opportunity. Thank you also for the encouragement you give me in my educational journey.

By His Grace,
Isaac Nedd

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, June 24

9:00 Connections Service
9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Traditional Service
5:30 Youth (YH)

Monday, June 25

10:00 Line Dancers (309)
NO GED Class this week
6:30 Trustees (L)

Tuesday, June 26

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

Wednesday, June 27

6:30 Chancel Choir

Thursday, June 28

9:30 Prayer Team (P)
11:00 Knitters & Crocheters (205)
6:15 Men's Study (L)
6:30 AA (YH)
6:30 MIM (Sanc)

Friday, June 29

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

Saturday, June 30

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 Donna Smith (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 Donna Smith (Library)
_____ (Narthex)

1st Floor

8:15-9:45 Mary Elliott
9:45-11:15 _____

Ushers:

9:00 Bill Blankenship
Chris Healy, Sheila Dougherty
11:00 Linwood Hudson, Pam Asbury
Melvin Watkins

Nursery:

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

Counters:

Gary Wright
Wayne Smith, Anne Baird

Reader:

Carolyn Bowman

Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Jimmy Sculthorpe (V)
11:00 Tyler Griggs (A)
Jimmy Sculthorpe (V)

Sanctuary Organizers:

Paul Martin (June 1-30)
Nickie Price (July 1-31)

Grass Cutters:

(Area 2)
June 25—Gary Vest

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Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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Young Adult Ministries

Terrence Jeter (interim)

Our Covenant Missionary

Kim King Torres

Presiding Bishop

Sharma Lewis