

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing: "No Longer Slaves"

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Singing: "What a Beautiful Name"

Scripture

Ephesians 1:3-14

Message: "Loved By God"

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: "Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)"

Benediction

8th 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

Prelude

"Adagio"

César Frank

+ Call to Worship

**Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world,
who destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ,
who has forgiven our sins according to the riches of his grace,
and has made known to us the mystery of his will.**

This is our God!

Let's worship him together.

+ Hymn

"Nothing but the Blood"

UMH #362

TO HEAR THE WORD

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| A Time with the Children | | Sherry Jeter |
| Responsive Reading (UMH #755) | Psalm 24 | Thanks be to God. |
| + Hymn | “Blessed Assurance” | UMH #369 |
| Second Reading * | Ephesians 1:3-14 | Thanks be to God. |
| Sermon | “Loved By God” | Rev. Derrick Parson |
| Prayer | | |

The Lord’s Prayer

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TO RESPOND IN FAITH

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| Offertory | “Jesus Christ, Our Blessed Savior” | Jan Bender |
| + Response * | “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” | UMH #94 |
| + Hymn | “Victory in Jesus” | UMH #370 |
| + Benediction | | |
| + Postlude | “Toccata” | Girolamo Frescobaldi |



The **flowers on the altar** are given to the glory of God by Tyler Griggs' mother, in celebration of his birthday tomorrow.

The **flowers in the narthex** are given to the glory of God by Bill and Barbara Blankenship, to honor our Father in heaven for giving them 65 beautiful years together.

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.

We have been blessed to have **Janet Watts** as our interim organist and **Carla Wootten** as our interim MIM leader as well as **Kristie Willis** and **Laura Loper** as our interim music leaders during our search for a Music Director. Please take a moment to tell Janet, Carla, Kristie and Laura how much Providence loves them (and their musical gifts!).

Creative Arts at Providence (CAP) needs some supplies to make the skirts, art, music and

decorations more fun for our children. Check out the **CAP Giving Tree** in the hallway leading to the library, and take a sticky note (or 2?) for things we need. A few items (like wicker/wood baskets) are for loan only - if you label them, we'll be sure to get them back to you. Please bring items to the church office or the social hall stage **no later than Sunday, July 29**. Thank you for participating in this important outreach ministry!

~ The CAP Team

There will be a **CAP volunteer meeting** on Sunday, July 29 immediately after the 11:00 worship service. Following the meeting we will be **decorating the social hall and hallways**. **Lots of help is needed!**

UPWARD SOCCER

We are entering into an important time of prayer for our **Upward Soccer season**. Beginning July 20th, I invite you to join me in praying for our Upward Soccer Ministry everyday for 100 days. The 100th day will be October 27th, the last day of our season. Daily prayer requests will be listed in the bulletin and weekly update. Upward lapel pins and mirror clings are available for free in the narthex today. The hope is that these will serve as a daily reminder to pray. Thank you for

PUMC Financial Report as of June 30, 2018

| | June | 2018 YTD | 2017 YTD |
|----------------|----------|------------|------------|
| Receipts | \$26,075 | \$164,114 | \$162,737 |
| Disbursements | \$26,145 | \$176,662 | \$199,360 |
| Net Receipts | (\$69) | (\$12,547) | (\$36,622) |
| Operating Fund | \$44,122 | | |

July 15, 2018

making this outreach to the children and families of our community a part of your daily prayers.

Sean Collins
Upward League Director

100 Days of Prayer

| Date | Pray For... |
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| 7/20 | 1—A wonderful spirit among all involved |
| 7/21 | 2—Scholarships for those who cannot afford to participate |

You should have received a letter regarding Nominations. Please return the **BLUE Ministry/Interest Survey** as soon as possible. The results of these forms will assist the Nominations Committee in contacting those interested in a specific area of the church. Even if you are not interested in being on a committee, please complete the form and return it. The collected information gives the committee and the pastor names of people they might call on if needed, occasionally. Please drop the form in the offering plate or put it in the Office Staff mailbox in the hallway. We appreciate everything everyone does for PUMC.

Readers and Greeters—we need you!

Readers: you are needed only for the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The more people we have to read, the less we will need to call on you. But we need you! **Greeters:** you are needed at the narthex and library entrances each Sunday, prior to the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. services. Greeters are usually scheduled for one month at a time (but we can be flexible). **If you are interested in either (or all) opportunities, please sign up on the sign-in sheet today.**

New Church Directories Are Coming!

The photographers are currently scheduled to be here September 19-21 and 24-26. Please save a date to get you (or your family's) portrait done (pets are family too!). Family photographs make wonderful Christmas gifts and these dates give you plenty of time to get the portraits back! Please watch the bulletin for more details. As soon as our on-line scheduling site is ready, we will provide the link here and in the mid-week update. Jolie King has kindly volunteered to coordinate the directory project. Jolie will need a few assistants so please consider how you can help with the directory project and watch for opportunities to help her! All photographs will be taken at the church.

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, stop by the office or contact Linda (Linda.Collins@providenceumc.net).

Since the **PUMC Safety Plan** has been implemented on Sunday mornings we need volunteers to greet people and help with opening doors on the first floor near the elevator and the covered walkway. We need one person 8:15-9:45 and one person 9:45-11:15. Please volunteer by calling the church office or sign up online by going to this link: providenceumc.net/link. Once you find the Sunday that you want to sign up for, check the box that says sign up, (you can check more than one box at a time), scroll to the bottom and hit submit. It will then ask you for your name and email address if you would like a reminder. There is no password needed and if you'd like a reminder email, please include your email address when you sign up. If you'd like to

sign up but don't have internet access, call the church office (276-4289) and someone will assist you in signing 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.

PRAYER MINISTRY

July 15, 2018 — We pray for governments and governing bodies of Metropolitan Richmond: for the Supervisors of Chesterfield County, the County Administrator, and all county employees.

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:

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| Jessica Ammon | Jennifer Collins |
| Harrison Bailey | Wayne Lee |
| Hunger Blankenship | Marshall Mallory |
| Terrance Brunson | 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)
- * John Curtis (son of Uldine Curtis)
- * Uldine Curtis
- * George Fest
- * Allison Fuquay (cancer; niece of Robin Jeffrey)
- * Betty Gregory
- * Jill Gueswelle (very good friend of Elizabeth Kyser)
- * Dot Janutolo (in rehab in Nashville, TN)
- * Earl Jennings (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- * Jack Keery
- * Linda Keery
- * Charles King
- * Diane King
- * The family of Jean Mannering (died 6/14; mother of Bill Mannering)
- * **Elizabeth Melancon**
- * Blanca & Jose Mera
- * Anne Middleton (rehab, Lucy Corr)
- * Leigh Middleton
- * Grace Newman
- * **Sharon** (surgery 7/5 to remove mass; friend of Cathy Patterson)
- * Damien Spencer (great-grandson of Hugh Harris)
- * John Stallings (cancer; friend of Bill Mannering and Julie Gaudett)
- * **Mary Steele**
- * Freddie Stembridge (son-in-law of Charlotte Glidewell)
- * Beth Tucker (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- * Pam & Steve Vanermann (both have cancer; niece and nephew-in-law of Catherine Millholen)
- * Sharon & Bob VanWhy (friends of Peg Martin)
- * **Janet Watts** (shoulder outpatient surgery 7/18)
- * Stephanie White (health issues; Billy & Mary Ann Walton's daughter)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, July 15

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 1:00 Elmcroft Worship
- 3:30 Girl Scouts (309)
- 5:30 Youth (YH)

Monday, July 16

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 6:30 GED Class (205)
- 7:00 Ruritan Dinner (SH)

Tuesday, July 17

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:30 Cubs/Boy Scouts (SH/309)

Wednesday, July 18

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 10:30 Staff Meeting (205)
- 5:30 Auction Committee (L)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir
- 6:30 Providence Green (SH)

Thursday, July 19

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

Friday, July 20

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

Saturday, July 21

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 Joshua Parson

Greeters:

9:00 _____ (Library)
Mike Patterson (Narthex)
11:00 _____ (Library)
_____ (Narthex)

1st Floor

8:15-9:45 Gracie Martin, Mike Collins
9:45-11:15 Gracie Martin, LaVonne Stanley

Reader:

Natalia Parson

Ushers:

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

Counters:

Ron Wootten
Janice Bergeron, Gracie Martin

Nursery:

9:00 Bethany Sharpe
SS Wendy Collins
11:00 Lindsey & Wendy Collins

Audio/Visual Team:

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

Sanctuary Organizers:

Nickie Price (July 1-31)

Grass Cutters:

(Area 1)
July 16—Jimmy Sculthorpe

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Monday—Thursday 10:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
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Kim King Torres

Presiding Bishop

Sharma Lewis