

Providence United Methodist Church

CONNECTIONS 9:00 a.m.

Greeting and Welcome

Opening Prayer

Singing: “Forever”

Making Connections

A Time with the Children

Scripture

Mark 10:35-45

Message: “Anyone Can Serve”

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: “Good, Good Father”

“Great Are You Lord”

Benediction

19th 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)

TFWS = The Faith We Sing (Black)

* = Words Projected

+ = Please stand as you are able

Thank you for silencing all electronic devices.

THE CHURCH GATHERS

Prelude

"I Need Thee Every Hour"

arr. by Dale Wood

+ Call to Worship

One: The first shall be last.

Many: We come to worship as we are.

One: The last shall be first.

Many: We come with confidence.

One: The first shall be last.

Many: We come with questions.

One: The last shall be first.

Many: We come burdened by failure.

One: The first shall be last.

Many: We come celebrating success.

One: The last shall be first.

Many: We come fearful of the future.

ALL: The first shall be last and last shall be first and a little child shall lead them. AMEN.

by Katherine Hawker

Opening Prayer

+ Hymn

"Blessed Assurance"

UMH #369

TO HEAR THE WORD

A Time with the Children		Sherry Jeter
First Reading (UMH #751)	Psalm 19:7-14	Thanks be to God.
The Apostle's Creed		UMH#881
+ Hymn	"The Servant Song"	TFWS #2222
Second Reading *	Mark 10:35-45	Thanks be to God.
Sermon	"Anyone Can Serve"	Rev. Derrick Parson

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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TO RESPOND IN FAITH

Offertory Anthem	"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms" The Chancel Choir	by Robert Lowry
+ Response *	"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"	UMH #94
+ Hymn	"Make Me a Servant"	TFWS #2176
+ Benediction		
+ Postlude	"Praise Him! Praise Him!"	arr. by F. J. Garlock & S. Hamilton

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.

Practice for the **Christmas Cantata** is on Wednesday evenings 6:30 p.m. Anyone wanting to sing with The Chancel Choir for just the cantata, can attend practice and leave as soon as the cantata practice is over at 7:30. The Christmas cantata is scheduled for Sunday, December 16.

CHAMP's (Children Active in Ministry at Providence) has resumed its activities on Fridays (dates are below), 6-8 pm. If you have questions or are willing to help, contact Sherry Jeter (sherry.jeter@providenceumc.net or 382-9398).

Oct. 5	Nov. 9	Dec. 7
Oct. 12	Nov. 23	Dec. 21
Oct. 26		

Mark your calendars now: **The Fall Festival** is on Saturday, October 27, 4:00 p.m. This is a great way to reach our community and get to know our neighbors.

Now is a good time to start shopping for your **Thanksgiving Baskets for CCHASM**. This year CCHASM wants estimates of how many baskets to expect so they can begin planning for the families in need. It will help CCHASM greatly if our Sunday School classes and members could provide and estimate of how many baskets PUMC can provide. Contact Shirley Hudson (276-2495) or anyone in the Christian Builders Class so we can begin our tally.

Please see the insert in today's bulletin for the shopping list for CCHASM Thanksgiving Baskets.

Next Sunday, October 7, is **World Communion Sunday**. Our special offering helps fund graduate racial-ethnic World Communion Scholarships, with at least one-half of the annual amount reserved for ministries beyond the United States. Donations also provide for undergraduate U.S. Ethnic Scholarship and Ethnic In-Service Training programs.

The United Methodist Women are collecting hygiene items for the **women in Fluvanna Correctional Facility** to give as presents for Christmas. For the month of September, we are asking for toothbrushes (in the original container), toothpaste tubes of 6 ounces (in the original container) and deodorant sticks of 2.6 ounces. If you wish to give a check and have the UMW do the shopping, please make the check payable to *Providence United Methodist Women* for **Grace Inside**. Donations may be left in the container by the elevator in the back hallway.

The Chesterfield Ruritan Club will be making stew on Saturday, October 20 — ready for pick-up at the picnic shelter around 1:00 p.m. Cost is \$7 per quart. To pre-order your stew, contact any Ruritan member (Dave Robinson, Bill Estes, Jerry Bowers, Bobby Burton). Or, leave a note in the **RURITAN mailbox** in the hallway near the church office.

100 Days of Prayer

Please continue to pray for our **Upward Soccer Ministry**. The 100th day will be October 27th, the last day of our season. Thank you for making this outreach to the children and families of our community a part of your daily prayers. If you have any questions, email Sean Collins (upwardpumc@gmail.com).

Date / Day Pray For . . .

- 9/30 73 Parents of children in our church's league
- 10/1 74 Our members to reach out when they see a need
- 10/2 75 Safety for everyone traveling
- 10/3 76 Our halftime commissioner
- 10/4 77 Work assistants on Saturday
- 10/5 78 Church members to come cheer on the players
- 10/6 79 Those leading halftimes today (sixth game day)

Brunswick Stew

Please mark your calendars NOW for **October 13, 2018** as that is the date for our next annual **Brunswick Stew!!** *We need any and all helpers available to stir the stew, help serve, clean up* If you would like to participate, we will make certain we find some way to include you! If you can help stir, please sign up on the Sunday clipboard and give us an idea of what time you could be available, even if only for an hour or two. We start the pots very early in the morning (6:00 a.m.) and need people to stir 3 huge pots constantly until the stew is ready (approximately 1-2:00 p.m.). Come on out to see how it is done and enjoy some warm fellowship. If you have a friend who may be interested in helping, we would welcome them as well!

If you are interested in **ordering stew**, please contact Sue Duganne at 317-3014 (leave a message) or Barbie Vest at 378-2632.

New Church Directories

The photographers were here and now we get to wait — for the draft of the **New Directory!** Thank you to the many volunteers who helped keep everything running smoothly. We'll be calling on some of you again to help proofread.

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU!
THANK YOU!**

Please let **Our Shut-ins** of the week know we love them and are thinking of them, by sending them a note or card. This week's Shut-ins are:

James Yeattes (birthday 10/1)
c/o Beth Manning
601 Maple Avenue
Richmond, VA 23226

Catherine Milholen (birthday 3/19)
Chesterfield Heights, Apt. 315
901 Madrona Street
Midlothian, VA 23114

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.

PUMC Financial Report as of August 31, 2018

	August	2018 YTD	2017 YTD
Receipts	\$36,874	\$229,632	\$215,893
Disbursements	\$27,167	\$233,057	\$259,767
Net Receipts	\$9,706	(\$3,424)	(\$43,873)
Operating Fund	\$53,254		

PRAYER MINISTRY

September 30, 2018 — We pray for schools and educational institutions of Metropolitan Richmond: for curriculum that is ground in truth and meaning; for space to nourish the creative seed in both teachers and students.

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	Paul Hager
Harrison Bailey	Wayne Lee
Hunter Blankenship	Marshall Mallory
Terrance Brunson	Megan Thomas
Jennifer Collins	

Our gathered prayer concerns:

- * Dot Ashburn
- * Curtis Bailey
- * Bobby Baker (friend of the Bell's)
- * Nan Blackwell
- * Keisha Clement (niece of Althea Armstrong)
- * AB Creasy
- * **John Curtis** (pneumonia; St. Francis)
- * Uldine Curtis
- * George Fest
- * Allison Fuquay (cancer; niece of Robin Jeffrey)

- * **The family of Boyd Gurney** (died, 4/20/18)
Marlene Gurney
15100 Birchaven Lane, Apt. 501
Findlay, OH 45840
- * Jim DeLap
- * Dot Janutolo
- * James Jenkins
- * Jack & Linda Keery
- * Charles & Diane King
- * Anna Knight (rehab; Sheltering Arms)
- * Blanca & Jose Mera
- * Leigh Middleton
- * Grace Newman
- * Sharon (chemotherapy treatments; friend of Cathy Patterson)
- * John Stallings (cancer; friend of Bill Mannering and Julie Gaudett)
- * Beth Tucker (cancer; friend of Paul Martin)
- * Sharon & Bob VanWhy (friends of Peg Martin)
- * Fred Wilson
- * The family of Sue Worrell (died 9/16)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, September 30

- 9:00 Connections Service
- 9:45 Sunday School
- 11:00 Traditional Service
- 2:00 Disciple 2 (205)
- 3:00 Ruritan Zone Meeting (SH)
- 5:30 Sunrise Sisters
- 5:30 Youth (YH)
- 6:30 Bells of Providence

Monday, October 1

- 10:00 Line Dancers (309)
- 7:00 Staff Parish (L)

Tuesday, October 2

- 11:00 Bible Study (L)
- 6:00 Upward Soccer Practice
- 6:30 Cubs/Boy Scouts (SH/309)
- 7:00 Newton Circle

Wednesday, October 3

- 7:00 Men's Breakfast (Shoney's)
- 10:30 Staff Meeting (205)
- 6:30 Chancel Choir
- 7:00 Study Series w/John Robison (205)

Thursday, October 4

- 9:30 Prayer Team (P)
- 6:00 Upward Soccer Practice
- 6:15 Men's Study (L)
- 6:30 AA (205)
- 6:30 MIM (Sanc)

Friday, October 5

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

Saturday, October 6

- 9:00 Soccer Games

Sunday, October 7

World Communion Sunday

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

1st Floor

8:15-9:45 Beverley Brooks
9:45-11:15 Mary Elliott & Gracie Martin

Reader:

Barbie Vest

Ushers:

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

Counters:

Klaus Worrell
Steve Oliver

Nursery:

9:00 Laurie Breeden
SS Wendy Collins
11:00 Jane Gilliam & Lindsey Collins

Audio/Visual Team:

9:00 Ron Wootten (A)
Nikki Earley (V)
11:00 Ron Wootten (A)
Nikki Earley (V)

Sanctuary Organizers:

Pam Asbury (September 1-30)

Grass Cutters:

(Area 2)
Oct. 1—John Bradley

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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